

**Teleconference Meeting of the Board of Directors of the
Republican River Water Conservation District**

January 21, 2021 Teleconference/Zoom

The Board of Directors of the Republican River Water Conservation District convened a special meeting, pursuant to notice required by statute and the District's By-Laws, utilizing teleconference/Zoom technology.

Present were:

Board Members:

Rod Lenz, President
Greg Larson, Vice-President
Gil Anderson, Secretary
Aaron Sprague, Treasurer
Wil Bledsoe
Brooke Campbell
Kevin penny
Brent Deterding
Jim Hadachek
Kenny Helling
Steve Kramer
Stan Laybourn
Rod Mason
Steven Meakins
Tim Pautler
Roger Seedorf
Wayne Skold

Deb Daniel, RRWCD General Manager
Suzanna Baker RRWCD Administrative Assistant
David Robbins, RRWCD General Counsel, Hill & Robbins, P.C.
Pete Ampe, RRWCD General Counsel, Hill & Robbins, P.C.

A telephone was provided at the District office for interested members of the public to participate but no public attended.

STATEMENT OF QUORUM

President Rod Lenz called the meeting to order at 8:33 am. Board Secretary Gil Anderson conducted a roll call of the Board members and declared that a quorum of the Board was present. Stan Laybourn joined at 8:39 and Brent Deterding joined at 8:52am.

AGENDA

- Greg Larson reported on negotiations regarding the Dryden property. A lease is ready to be put out for advertisement, The Board previously received the bid packet for review.

Larson reported on the discrepancy of acres on the Dryden property. FSA is going to remeasure, the assessor's office in Yuma County will remeasure, and Deb Daniel is also measuring to compare and get the most accurate acres. Greg said that it is important to get the right number of acres because we don't want to leave money on the table and it will also help with negotiations for a possible sale in the future. The board continued to discuss the discrepancies and the best way to get accurate acres. There was a motion to use FSA numbers when received and use 649 acres if an updated number is not received from FSA, seconded and approved unanimously.

Negotiating sub-committee and committee to consider bids and choose the lessor and recommend to the board at the February quarterly meeting. With any interested board member or board member having families interested recusing themselves from the discussions and vote.

Roger and Greg visited with Bledsoe's and reported that discussions were going well but a lot more to do. Bledsoe's understand the ground is up for lease for the next year.

- David updated the board that the CPW and Jones closing may not occur for another 7-10 days. The problems are with CPW where their staff are having trouble making their process work. They have to get approval from the State Controller. David has made many efforts to get the deal done but has been hitting road blocks along the way.
- Deb Daniel explained Resolution 01-21 for the WaterSMART grant. South Fork Republican Restoration Coalition (SFRRC) is asking for \$100,000, with the RRWCD acting as the fiscal agent. Stuart Dykstra and Vo3 helped a lot with filling out the Grant for SFRRC. There was a motion to approve Resolution 01-21 applying for funds through the WaterSMART grant, seconded and approved unanimously. Deb Daniel then explained the CPW-Wetlands grant and there was a motion to approve applying for funds from CPW Wetlands Grant, seconded and approved unanimously.
- Rod expects the Ortner's to ask for more time to keep cows grazing on the corn stalks and asked the board if they had any problem letting cattle stay on the cornstalks longer. Wayne asked that the extension have a deadline date on the agreement.

There was a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:10am, passed and seconded unanimously.

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Secretary

Feb 26, 2021

Date






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