

**Southwestern Water Conservation District  
Board of Directors Meeting—Teleconference  
May 29, 2019**

**Present:** JR Ford†    David Guilliamst†    Rusty Hingert†  
                 Jenny Russell†    Don Schwindt†    Doug Stowe†  
                 Bob Wolff

**Absent:** Monte Naslund    Charlie Smith

**Staff:** Laura Spann, SWCD Programs Coordinator

**Consultants:** Steve Harris, Interim Executive Director  
Beth Van Vurst, Fairfield and Woods†

**Guests:** Orla Bannan, Western Resources Advocates†  
Marcel Gatzambide, San Juan Citizens Alliance†

*†Participated by phone.*

### **1.0 Call to Order**

Bob Wolff called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m. Roll was taken and a quorum was established. Guests were invited to call back in after executive session at 11:35 a.m.

### **2.0 Executive Session**

*(time: 00:01:15)*

Beth Van Vurst recommended that the board go into executive session for the purpose of discussing the proposed instream flow appropriation on Himes Creek and intra-state demand management efforts. The statutes covering this session are § 24-6-402(4)(b), C.R.S., "conferences with an attorney for the district for the purpose of receiving legal advice on specific legal questions," and § 24-6-402(4)(e), C.R.S., "determining positions relative to matters that may be subject to negotiations; developing strategy for negotiations; and instructing negotiators." Don Schwindt moved that the board go into executive session. JR Ford seconded. The motion passed.

Beth Van Vurst announced that the board was out of executive session, and that no action was taken during executive session. The board discussed the proposed instream flow appropriation on Himes Creek and intra-state demand management efforts.

### **4.0 Old Business**

#### **4.1 Proposed Instream Flow Appropriation on Himes Creek**

*(time: 00:07:00)*

JR Ford moved to approve the terms of the settlement, and authorize the filing of a Notice to Contest the instream flow appropriation on Himes Creek to allow additional time for all parties to agree to the settlement. Don Schwindt seconded. The motion passed 6-1.

### **3.0 Questions/Comments from Audience**

*(time: 00:10:00)*

There were no public comments or questions.

### **4.0 Old Business (cont.)**

#### **4.2 Update: Executive Director Search**

*(time: 00:10:15)*

Steve Harris verified that all directors received the executive director applications in the mail. Most of the afternoon during the June 4<sup>th</sup> board meeting has been set aside for application review.

**5.0 Adjournment.**

President Bob Wolff adjourned the meeting at 11:45 a.m.

**Next Meetings**

June 4, 2019            9:00 a.m.            Regular Board Meeting



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Robert Wolff, Board President