

**Southwestern Water Conservation District
Board of Directors Special Meeting via Zoom
February 02, 2023**

Present: Dagan Chadd J.R. Ford Kenny Heldman
Rusty Hinger Amy Huff David Guilliams
Gerald Koppenhafer Jenny Russell Charlie Smith

Staff: Steve Wolff, General Manager

Consultants: Beth Van Vurst, General Counsel, Van Vurst Law
Garin Vorthmann, Colorado Legislative Strategies

Guests: Ken Curtis, DWCD; Ed Millard; Laura Spann, CWCB

1.0 Call to Order – Roll Call and Verification of Quorum

President Jenny Russell called the meeting to order. The roll was taken and a quorum was established.

2.0 Review and Approve Agenda

There was unanimous consent to approve the agenda.

3.0 Questions & Comments from the Public

There were no questions or comments from the public.

4.0 State Legislative Update & SWCD Position on Bills

Steve Wolff directed the Board to the Bill Summary sheet and tracking list that Garin had provided. Garin then summarized the following bills and provided their current status in the General Assembly.

HB23-1005	HB23-1125	HB23-1023
HB23-1018	SB23-005	SB23-010
SB23-032	SB23-111	SB23-057

5.0 Executive Session

5.1 Colorado River Compact, Interstate and Intrastate Negotiation Matters

Beth Van Vurst recommended that the board move into executive session for the purpose of discussing agenda item 5.1, Colorado River Compact, interstate and intrastate negotiation matters. The statutes covering this executive 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.” Rusty moved that the board go into executive session. Kenny seconded. The motion passed.

Beth Van Vurst stated that no further record of the executive session needs to be kept based on her opinion that the discussion will constitute privileged, attorney-client communications.

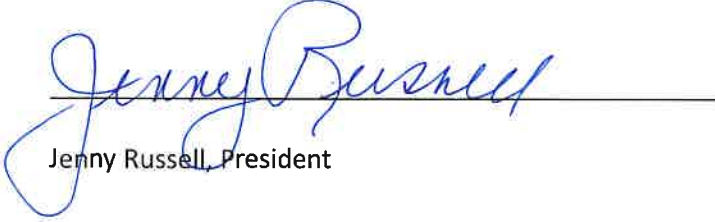
6.0 Summary and Any Action Items from Executive Session

Beth Van Vurst stated that the Board has concluded its executive session, during which time the Board discussed Colorado River Compact, interstate and intrastate negotiation matters. No action was taken

during the executive session and there are no related items that the Board needs to follow up on in open session.

7.0 Adjournment

President Jenny Russell adjourned the meeting at 1:20 p.m.



Jenny Russell, President