## WEST DIVIDE WATER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT 818 Taughenbaugh Blvd., Suite 101 Rifle, Colorado 81650

## MINUTES OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING August 25, 2023

## **CALL TO ORDER**

The regular Board of Directors meeting was called to order at the District office at 9:00 a.m. by President Samuel B. Potter.

#### **ROLL CALL**

The following directors were present: President Samuel B. Potter, Vice President Dan R. Harrison, Secretary Richard L. McNeill, Treasurer Tom Jankovsky. and Director Kelly Couey was absent. Also in attendance were Tammy Keenan, Office Manager; Wendy Ryan Colorado River Engineering, Inc.; Edward B. Olszewski, Counsel:

#### PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no comment from the public.

#### **MINUTES**

Richard L. McNeill moved the minutes of the July 20, 2023 meeting be approved as received; Dan R. Harrison seconded; motion carried.

#### FINANCE REPORT

**Bills to be Paid**: Richard L. McNeill moved the attached list of bills be paid; Tom Jankovsky seconded; motion carried.

**Financial Statements**: Richard L. McNeill moved the July 2023 Financial Statements prepared by Barnes, Pearson & Rudow, LLC be accepted; Tom Jankovsky seconded; motion carried.

**Bank Authorization Forms for Audit**: Richard L. McNeill moved to validate and sign bank authorization form for the auditor; Tom Jankovsky seconded; motion carried.

### RIVER DISTRICT REPORT

No report this month.

#### WATER CONTRACTS

Tom Jankovsky moved approval of the following assignments; seconded by Richard L. McNeill; motion carried; assignments approved.

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Jennifer & Kyle Etchandy; assignment from Gary Kelly, 1.00 a.f., domestic, General Stored Water.

Westall Revocable Trust; assignment from Ryan and Samanth Alford, 1.00 a.f., domestic, General Stored Water.

Redd Summit Ranches, LLC & Scott B. Christenson; assignment from Ann E. Johnson and Scott B. Christenson, 2.00 a.f., domestic, Silt Interconnect.

Roaring Fork Land & Home, Inc. (1); assignment from Don & Janice Nisbet, 2.18 a.f., domestic, General Stored Water.

Roaring Fork Land & Home, Inc. (2); assignment from Michelle Duggan Cox & Stephen B. Cox, 1.21 a.f., domestic, General Stored Water.

Garrett and Debra Caputo; Richard L. McNeill moved approval of this water allotment contract, 1 a.f., domestic, Silt Interconnect; seconded by Tom Jankovsky; motion carried.

Oldcastle SW Group Inc. dba United Companies – Debeque Gravel Pit; Richard L. McNeill moved approval of this water allotment contract, 14.5 a.f., Commercial, General Stored Water; seconded by Tom Jankovsky; motion carried.

#### ROUNDTABLE REPORT

Received written and oral report from Richard L. McNeill of the previous meeting. The next meeting will be September 25, 2023.

## WATER RESOURCES' REPORT

No report this month.

#### HYDROLOGISTS' REPORT

Water Watch and Augmentation reports were provided and discussed.

Received oral report on pending projects from Wendy Ryan.

#### CRYSTAL RIVER

Wendy will be providing an educational talk for the Wild and Scenic steering committee on Augmentation and plans to present to several other groups as well. CVEPA, BWCD, Crystal Valley Water Users, Nature based solution group, Division 5 Engineers, CBRT, Mt. Sopris Conservation District and the Pitkin County BOCC.

#### MARTIN RESERVOIRS

Expansion work continues. Wendy has recently met with USACE with Env/Cultural work and also met with Dam Safety on the Geotech plan. The survey has been completed.

The USBR Small storage feasibility was denied and questions appropriateness given the level of increase in storage. There is also uncertainty with the current design. The economic analysis wasn't sufficiently addressed. This can be addressed more sufficiently or we could move to a drought resiliency. Federal projects have a 50% cost share and cost lots of money to apply. Counsel and Wendy will follow up on the denial.

#### **FOURMILE**

The Martin Exchange accounting was completed on August 24,2023. New diversion limitations set forth by Division 5 limit Atkinson Ditch availability in Apr & Oct for existing contractees and may require Martin Reservoir releases in deficit years. Based on these limitations, contracts will no longer be issued in the Fourmile basin. Division 5 will produce a memo documenting future operations. Some Springridge irrigation may be impacted – Division 5 and Springridge will work together to address the concerns.

#### SILT INTERCONNECT

Ryan from Silt Water Conservancy District is running 2 cfs through the Miller Pump station this week. This banks 27.8 AF in Harvey Gap to be used for Augmentation of Elk/Rifle and Silt Mesa area.

#### **ACTIVE CALLS**

East Divide / Divide - 6/30 to current Fourmile Creek - 6/28 to current

## **ATTORNEY'S REPORT**

Received written and oral report from counsel.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Richard L. McNeill moved to go into executive session per CRS 24-6-402(4) to follow up on potential contractual issues at 10:30 a.m.; Tom Jankovsky seconded; motion carried. At 10:50 a.m. Fom Jankovsky moved the meeting out of executive session; Richard L. McNeill seconded; motion carried. We came out of executive Session.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

The next meeting is scheduled for September 21, 2023.

#### DIRECTORS' COMMENTS

Tom Jankovsky will not be able to attend the next meeting.

#### **ADJOURN**

Meeting adjourned at 11:25 a.m.

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SIGNED:

Richard L. McNeill, Secretary

ATTEST:

# Samuel B. Potter, President

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Num	Name	Memo	Account	Amount
eft	CEBT	TSK Health Ins 5222 · Medical InsuranceEmploye		955.26
	Tammy Keenan	Salary	2110 · Direct Deposit Liabilities	2,352.41
5667	Bookcliff Professional Building, LLG		5395 · RentOffice unit	996.35
5667	Bookeliff Professional Building, LLC		5394 · Rent-Prop.Taxes/Ins/Utilities	200.00
5668	Barnes, Pearson & Rudow, PC	July	5150 · Accounting	715.00
5668	Barnes, Pearson & Rudow, PC	2nd Qtr PR Reports	5150 · Accounting	230.00
5669	Olszewski, Massih & Maurer, P.C.	General	5280 · Legal	367.50
eft	Capital One, F.S.B.	Comcast	5390 · Telephone & Internet	186.54
eft	Capital One, F.S.B.	Zoom	5390 · Telephone & Internet	17.29
eft	Capital One, F.S.B.	Postage	5300 · Postage/Box Rent/Etc.	51.98
eft	Capital One, F.S.B.	Dunkin Donuts	5100 · Office Supplies	17.87
eft	American Funds		2227 · Simple IRA Payable	107.93
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ft	Electronic Federal Tax Payment Syst 84-0976632		2205-FICA/MED/FWT Payable	968.44
				7,526.33
	GENERAL STORED WATER			
Num	Name	Memo	Account	Amount
2634	ERO Resources Corp.	Task 1 Wetland Delineation & Report	Martin Grant	387.07

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2635	Olszewski, Massih & Maurer, P.C.	Inclusions	7047 · LegalGeneral	1,389.00
2635	Olszewski, Massih & Maurer, P.C.	CRWCD	7047 · LegalGeneral	761.25
2635	Olszewski, Massih & Maurer, P.C.	Contracts	7047 · LegalGeneral	52.50
2635	Olszewski, Massih & Maurer, P.C.	Crystal	7048 · LegalCrystal River	2,117.50
2635	Olszewski, Massih & Maurer, P.C.	Martin Diligence	7046 · LegalWD project Diligence	595.00
2635	Olszewski, Massih & Maurer, P.C.	Area A	7047 · LegalGeneral	385.00
2635	Olszewski, Massih & Maurer, P.C.	Alsbury Diligence	7053 · Legal - Alsbury	113.75
2636	Colorado River Engineering, Inc.	Task #1 Streamflow monitoring	7071 · CWCD Water Plan Grant	1,412.00
2636	Colorado River Engineering, Inc.	Task #2 Correlate to Raven Gage	7071 · CWCD Water Plan Grant	1,220.70
2636	Colorado River Engineering, Inc.	Task #3 Quatify yield to Kendig	7071 · CWCD Water Plan Grant	1,235.00
2636	Colorado River Engineering, Inc.	Task #4 Canal Alignment	7071 · CWCD Water Plan Grant	1,235.00
2636	Colorado River Engineering, Inc.	Task #5 Potential Service Areas	7071 · CWCD Water Plan Grant	1,300.00
2637	Colorado River Engineering, Inc.	General	7032 · HydrologyGeneral	1,717.50
2637	Colorado River Engineering, Inc.	Releases	7034 · HydrologyAlsbury	736.60
2638	Colorado River Water Conservation	I Yield Study	7071 · CWCD Water Plan Grant	7,360.75 22.018.62

#### FOURMILE CREEK

Num	Name	Memo	Account	Amount
2011	Olszewski, Massih & Maurer, P.C.	General	8050 · LegalGeneral	1,776.25
2012	Colorado River Engineering, Inc.	General	8030 · Hydrology	1,222.50
2012	Colorado River Engineering, Inc.	Site visit; deal with beavers	8033 · Hydrology Martin # 1 & 2	448.75
2012	Colorado River Engineering, Inc.	Site visit; deal with beavers	8080 · Maintenance - Martin Reservoir	530.75
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GRAND TOTAL

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