

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

**MINUTES OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
April 17, 2025**

**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 Brad Mollman, and Secretary Christopher Treese via zoom. Director Kelly Couey was absent and Treasurer Tom Jankovsky had an excused absence. Also in attendance were Tammy Keenan, Office Manager; Wendy Ryan, BBA Water, Inc. via zoom; Edward B. Olszewski, Counsel.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no comment from the public.

**MINUTES**

Brad Mollman moved the minutes of the March 20, 2025 meeting be approved as received; Christopher Treese seconded; motion carried.

**FINANCE REPORT**

**Bills to be Paid:** Brad Mollman moved the attached list of bills be paid; Christopher Treese seconded; motion carried.

**ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE**

The board discussed the current accounts receivable balances.

**WATER CONTRACTS**

**Assignments**

Brad Mollman moved approval of the following assignments; seconded by Christopher Treese; motion carried; assignments approved.

**Maricela Ramirez Gutierrez, Adrian Gonzalez Ramirez and Zenaida Gutierrez** assignment from **Dina M Duckworth and Dorman W. Pleasants**, 1.00 a.f domestic, General Stored Water.

**Melissa and Luke Pagni** assignment from **Abby Lanea Capwell**, 2.18 a.f domestic, Silt Interconnect.

**Kurtis L. Conrad, Nicole M. Conrad and Melissa J. Booker** assignment from **Kirk R. Dotson and Patricia K. Dotson**, 1.00 a.f domestic, General Stored Water.

**Jacek Czajka and Anna Kaminska 1A(b)** assignment from **Juan and Kathy Suarez**, 1.00 a.f domestic, General Stored Water.

**Jacek Czajka and Anna Kaminska 2A(b)** assignment from **Juan and Kathy Suarez**, 1.00 a.f domestic, General Stored Water.

**Jacek Czajka and Anna Kaminska 1B(b)** assignment from **Juan and Kathy Suarez**, 1.00 a.f domestic, General Stored Water.

**Jacek Czajka and Anna Kaminska 2B(b)** assignment from **Juan and Kathy Suarez**, 1.00 a.f domestic, General Stored Water.

#### RIVER DISTRICT REPORT

No report this month.

#### ROUNDTABLE REPORT

Christopher Treese gave an update on the March 24, 2025 meeting, including the grants that were received.

#### WATER RESOURCES REPORT

No report this month.

#### HYDROLOGISTS' REPORT

Wendy Ryan provided Water Watch and Augmentation reports and an oral report on ongoing projects.

#### **ALSBURY RESERVOIR**

Alsbury is already out of priority and won't have water available this year.

#### **AUG PLAN ENGINEERING**

Wendy Ryan had a call with the Division of Water Resources hydrogeology team regarding the analysis and proposed methodology for calculating lagged depletions. They were generally supportive of the approach and were pleased with all the detail put into the analysis (well logs, geologic mapping, reports). This approach will be used for the Fourmile/Threemile plans as well.

#### **CRYSTAL**

Treasure Mountain Ranch is thinking about filing a junior storage right. Wendy discussed this with Jeff Clark and thinks this should either be filed with the augmentation plan or that a lease agreement should be put in place for use with TMR filing to avoid speculation concerns. This would be a source of supply in the plan largely dedicated to augmentation of TMR geothermal well. Wendy asked for the boards preference on the storage filing and it was determined that we should execute a lease agreement and let TMR file the junior storage water right.

Counsel was approached by a potential water contractee on Prince Creek, tributary to the Crystal River, and interested in reserving a spot in the augmentation plan. Prince Creek has not had a call but there are senior water rights downstream of the potential contractee and an ISF reach. If West Divide augments this area, it would likely be classified as Area B where only immediately curtailable uses could be augmented (i.e., no wells). Prince Creek is not currently included in the service area for these reasons as there is no local supply.

Wendy Ryan has requested the Town of Carbondale water service area boundary to remove areas served by the Town from the proposed service area. Unfortunately, this doesn't seem as simple as originally thought as they serve areas outside the town boundary and there are many wells shown on DWR mapping within town boundary. The town has an out-of-town water tap moratorium for 30+ years and are not looking to actively serve or annex areas. Augmentation within the Town boundaries will be handled by legal counsel.

#### **FOURMILE**

Wendy Ryan provided the Fourmile Operating Plan to Division 5 on April 7, 2025 as is required per the decree.

The Zilm hydro call has not become active. They are working with a contractor to get the plant up and running but have yet to provide proof of consistent power being generated.

#### **FLANNERY HCU**

Wendy Ryan has started looking at historical aerial photos for evidence of irrigation to quantify consumptive use. The diversion records are limited, she will discuss with Division 5 in more detail.

#### **ACTIVE CALLS**

Rifle Creek 11/1/24 call at Rifle Creek Canon Ditch

Fourmile Creek – OFF

East Divide/Divide – 4/9 – current – Alsbury OUT OF PRIORITY – will need to release water sored OOP.

Mainstem – Shoshone went off 4/11.

#### **ATTORNEY'S REPORT**

Received written and oral report from counsel.

NEW BUSINESS

All 26 FICO shares have been leased for 2025.

Tammy Keenan is taking vacation July 1<sup>st</sup> thru 8<sup>th</sup> and requested the July meeting be one week later. The board has tentatively set the meeting for the 23<sup>rd</sup> of July but will discuss again at the next meeting.

The West Divide Water Conservancy sign on the outside of the building needs to be replaced. Samuel B. Potter will reach out to Micro Plastics about replacing it.

The next meeting is May 15, 2025.

DIRECTORS' COMMENTS

Christopher Treese followed up with Andy Muller at the River District about the board's continued willingness to support the Shoshone project. Andy Muller appreciated the offer and may reach out in the future.


EXECUTIVE SESSION

No need for executive session this month.

ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at 11:16 a.m.

SIGNED:

  
~~Brad Mollman, Vice President~~  
Christopher Treese, Secretary

ATTEST:



Samuel B. Potter, President

GENERAL FUND				
Num	Name	Memo	Account	Amount
eft	CEBT	TSK Health Ins	5222 · Medical Insurance--Employer	1,105.53
DD11	Keenan, Tamara S	Direct Deposit	5221 · Salary	2,720.34
5766	Couey, W. Kelly		5020 · Director Fees	289.65
5767	Harrison, Dan R.		5020 · Director Fees	207.80
DD11	Jankovsky, Tom	Direct Deposit	5020 · Director Fees	495.40
DD11	Mollman, Brad	Direct Deposit	5020 · Director Fees	214.10
5768	Potter, Samuel		5020 · Director Fees	702.50
DD11	Treese, Christopher J	Direct Deposit	5020 · Director Fees	345.40
EFT	Capital One, F.S.B.	Comcast	5390 · Telephone & Internet	292.24
EFT	Capital One, F.S.B.	Zoom	5390 · Telephone & Internet	17.29
EFT	Capital One, F.S.B.	Postage	5300 · Postage/Box Rent/Etc.	19.99
EFT	Capital One, F.S.B.	Water	5100 · Office Supplies	109.10
EFT	Capital One, F.S.B.	Quickbooks software	5100 · Office Supplies	1,041.46
EFT	Capital One, F.S.B.	Shredding	5100 · Office Supplies	80.00
EFT	Capital One, F.S.B.	Letterhead, toner, paper, paperclips	5100 · Office Supplies	1,664.96
5764	Bookcliff Professional Building, LLC		5395 · Rent--Office unit	1,132.18
5764	Bookcliff Professional Building, LLC		5394 · Rent-Prop.Taxes/Ins/Utilities	200.00
5765	Barnes, Pearson & Rudow, PC	Financials - March	5150 · Accounting	825.00
eft	Electronic Federal Tax Payment System	84-0976632	2205-FICA/MED/FWT Payable	1,539.40
eft	American Funds		2227 · Simple IRA Payable	119.24
eft	American Funds		2227 · Simple IRA Payable	278.22
				13,399.80

GENERAL STORED WATER				
Num	Name	Memo	Account	Amount
2792	Garfield County Clerk and Recorder	Memorandums	7070 · Memorandum Recording Fees	31.00
2793	Metcalf Archaeological Consultants, Inc.	Class III Cultural resource inventory for exp Martin Grant		11,367.64
2794	BBA Water Consultants, Inc.	General	7032 · Hydrology--General	2,765.00
2795	Olszewski & Massih, P.C.	General	Flannery	487.50
2795	Olszewski & Massih, P.C.	Directors	7047 · Legal--General	840.75
2795	Olszewski & Massih, P.C.	CRWCD	7047 · Legal--General	360.75
2795	Olszewski & Massih, P.C.	Contracts	7047 · Legal--General	97.50
2795	Olszewski & Massih, P.C.	Area A	7047 · Legal--General	526.50
2795	Olszewski & Massih, P.C.	Martin Diligence	Legal -- Martin Diligence	341.25
2795	Olszewski & Massih, P.C.	General	7047 · Legal--General	828.75
				17,646.64

CRYSTALL RIVER ENTERPRISE

Num	Name	Memo	Account	Amount
1004	BBA Water Consultants, Inc	55847	Hydrology	5,639.75
1005	Olszewski & Massih, P.C.	CR Aug Source Investigation	Legal	1,374.75
1005	Olszewski & Massih, P.C.	Beaver Lake Expansion	Legal	994.50
				<u>8,009.00</u>

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FOURMILE CREEK

Num	Name	Memo	Account	Amount
2078	Olszewski & Massih, P.C.	General	8050 · Legal--General	1,316.25
2079	BBA Water Consultants, Inc	General	8036 · Hydrology - Flannery	3,076.25
2079	BBA Water Consultants, Inc	General	8030 · Hydrology	2,625.00
2080	Garfield County Clerk & Recorder	Memorandum recording	8070 · Memorandum Recording Fees	26.00
				<u>7,043.50</u>

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SILT INTERCONNECT

Num	Name	Memo	Account	Amount
581	Garfield County Clerk & Recorder	Memorandum	8000 · Memorandum Recording Fees	26.00
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GRAND TOTAL

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