RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE LA PLATA ARCHULETA WATER DISTRICT HELD

September 13, 2022

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors ("Board") of the La Plata Archuleta Water District and Sundance/Farraday Subdistrict No. 1, La Plata County, Colorado, ("District") was held on September 13, 2022, at 9:00 a.m., at 255 Ute Street, Ignacio Colorado 81137.

ATTENDANCE: Directors in Attendance Were:

Ron Dent Dick Lunceford Kent Curtis Dan Lynn Mark Williams

In Attendance, Also, Were:

Ed Tolen, La Plata Archuleta Water District Manager

Yvonne Brunson, La Plata Archuleta Water District Customer Service Representative

Cheryl Lynn, Secretary to the Board Dave Henry, Harris Water Engineering

Karmen King, Grayling LLC

Barb Prose, Fredrick Zink and Associates

In Attendance, Also, via Telephone, Was:

Micki Mills, Cockrel Ela Glesne Greher & Ruhland

<u>CALL TO ORDER</u> Chairman Lunceford called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

DISCLOSURE OF

POTENTIAL CONFLICTS

OF INTEREST Disclosure of potential conflicts of interest will be a topic of discussion at every Board meeting to

address potential conflicts of interests that may arise as new agenda items are introduced. District Directors who have disclosed potential conflicts of interest can vote as issues arise. Directors

present reported no conflicts of interest.

<u>PUBLIC COMMENTS</u> No public comments were received.

APPROVAL OF

MINUTES Upon motion duly made by Director Dent, seconded by Director Lynn, and unanimously carried,

the Minutes of the August 11, 2022, Regular Board Meeting were approved as presented.

FINANCIAL REPORT Approval and Payment of Invoices - Directors reviewed the September 2022 Accounts Payable

Report and September 2022 Accountant's Compilation Report. Directors clarified expenditures as necessary. Upon motion duly made by Director Williams, seconded by Director Dent, and

unanimously carried the Board approved payment of invoices as shown on the attached Accounts

Payable statement dated September 12, 2022.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

REPORT.

2023 Budget - Mr. Tolen reported that, as reported in his September General Manager's Report, the 2023 revenue is estimated at \$1,553,918 compared to 2022 revenue of \$1,180,654.

PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMUNICATIONS

COMMITTEE REPORT There is nothing to report.

LEGAL REPORT -

Ms. Mills presented no Paralegal or Legal reports. Mr. Tolen advised the Board that Counsel Greher suggested the Board might want to reconsider their participation in the Family Leave program as discussed and approved at the July 14, 2022, Board meeting. Mr. Greher advised that most Special Districts elected not to participate in the program.

ENGINEER REPORT

County Road 223/Holman Canyon Road Pipeline - Mr. Henry reported that the drafting and alignment have been completed. The pipeline will follow a new alignment but the easement along that alignment has not yet been recorded.

Fox Fire Distribution System - Mr. Henry told the Board that the basic layout has been done, though it needs fine-tuning. Most utilities have been located. Federal legislation passed in 1860 provided an easement for roads and utilities 60 feet in width.

ENVIRONMENTAL REPORT -

Fox Fire - Ms. King reported that the Environmental Assessment has been completed for Fox Fire and the environmental work is almost complete.

Phase 2D - CR 509 to CR 513 - Ms. King advised the Board to expect 6 months of permitting as this project involves historic Southern Ute boundaries and many wetlands. She also anticipates that the Jumping Mouse may also be an environmental factor in Phase 2D.

GENERAL MANAGER REPORT

Phase 2C Easements - Mr. Tolen advised the Board that he continues to work with property owners along CR 509 to acquire easements.

Mr. Tolen reported that the Grant for the new website from Statewide Internet Portal Authority has been awarded to the District in the amount of \$3,500.00.

EXECUTIVE SESSION - An executive session was not conducted.

ANY OTHER MATTER WHICH MAY COME

BEFORE THE BOARD - Led by Director Curtis and Mr. Tolen, the Board embarked on a discussion encompassing water rates, tap fees, and quantifying the actual costs of hauling water. The potential for people to purchase a tap by borrowing money at a low interest rate was also discussed. Director Curtis will research some of the possibilities to be discussed at a future meeting.

> Director Dent referenced a news article in the Durango Herald about the City of Durango funding a \$500,000 study of a water pipeline from Lake Nighthorse to serve Durango residents. There may be a way for the District to be involved as the study moves forward.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:42 a.m. The next regular meeting of LAPLAWD is scheduled for Thursday, October 11, 2022, at 9:00 a.m. at 255 Ute Street, Ignacio, Colorado, unless it is necessary to meet in another matter to satisfy governmental requirements.

Secretary for the Meeting

Daniel R. Lynn, III

APPROVED

Richard T. Lunceford

Mark Williams

Ron Dent