# MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE BEEBE DRAW FARMS METROPOLITAN DISTRICT NO. 2 HELD FEBRUARY 13, 2024

A special meeting of the Board of Directors (referred to hereafter as the "Board") of the Beebe Draw Farms Metropolitan District No. 2 (referred to hereafter as the "District") was convened on Tuesday, the 13<sup>th</sup> day of February 2024, at 6:00 P.M. This District Board meeting was conducted via Microsoft Teams videoconference and teleconference. The meeting was open to the public.

### ATTENDANCE

#### Directors In Attendance Were:

Christine Hethcock, President Diane Mead, Vice President Scott Edgar, Secretary Joe Knopinski, Treasurer

### Also In Attendance Were:

Lisa Johnson and Shauna D'Amato; CliftonLarsonAllen, LLP ("CLA") Bill Caldwell, Sharon Dillon, Catrena Rosentreader, Brenda Lewis and Cindy Billinger; Beebe Draw Farms Metropolitan District No. 1 Directors MaryAnn McGeady, Esq.; McGeady Becher, P.C.

#### Members of the Public:

Jeanette Rummel, Kelly Deitman, Dave and Jo Miller, Ashlee Kazee, Laura Svedman, Jeffrey Heley, Sarah Hoover, Crystal Clark, Kent Lewis, Melanie Briggs, Ed Farrell, and other members of the public.

<u>ADMINISTRATIVE</u> <u>MATTERS</u> <u>Disclosures of Potential Conflicts of Interest</u>: The Board discussed the requirements pursuant to the Colorado Revised Statutes to disclose any potential conflicts of interest or potential breaches of fiduciary duty to the Board and to the Secretary of State. Attorney McGeady requested members of the Board disclose any potential conflicts of interest with regard to any matters scheduled for discussion at this meeting and incorporated for the record those applicable disclosures made by the Board members prior to this meeting in accordance with the statute as filed.

<u>Call to Order and Agenda:</u> The meeting was called to order. Following review, upon a motion duly made by Director Knopinski, seconded by Director Mead and, upon vote unanimously carried, the Board approved the agenda.

**Quorum, Location of Meeting and Posting of Notices**: A quorum was confirmed.

The Board discussed the requirements of Section 32-1-903(1), C.R.S., concerning the location of the District's Board meeting. The Board determined to conduct the meeting at the above-stated date, time, and location. It was

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further noted that notice of the time, date, location and manner of meeting was duly posted and that no objections to the location nor any requests that the meeting place be changed were received from taxpaying electors within the District's boundaries.

Ms. Johnson advised that meeting notices were posted as required.

<u>PUBLIC COMMENT</u> Sharon Dillon asked if the Board would confirm that Director Edgar is the manager of REI, LLC, and Director Hethcock is no longer the manager of REI, LLC. Director Hethcock confirmed.

Crystal Clark read a prepared statement to the Board, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference.

Ed Farrell read a prepared statement to the Board, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein by this reference.

Bill Caldwell addressed the Board, requesting future Board meetings to be held with an in-person attendance option. He then reported that he would like to work towards resolution of the land conveyance matter.

Kent Lewis asked Director Knopinski regarding his knowledge of certain aspects of the land conveyance matter.

Brenda Lewis addressed the Board, echoing the comments made by Ms. Clark and Mr. Farrell.

CONSENT AGENDA The Board considered the following actions under the Consent Agenda:

- Approve the Minutes of the November 8, 2023 Regular Board Meeting; and
- Ratify Approval of Payment of Claims totaling \$30,844.79.

Upon motion duly made by Director Knopinski, seconded by Director Mead and, upon vote unanimously carried, the Board approved the Consent Agenda.

**<u>Public Hearing on Amendment to 2023 Budget:</u>** Ms. Johnson opened the public hearing to consider an amendment to the 2023 Budget at 6:23 p.m. Ms. Johnson presented the Budget amendment to the Board.

It was noted that publication of Notice stating that the Board would consider amendment of the 2023 Budget and the date, time and place of the public hearing was made in a newspaper having general circulation within the District. No written objections were received prior to the public hearing.

Discussion ensued regarding the election costs and other revenue. Ms. Johnson will work with the accountant on providing answers to the questions.

The public hearing was closed at 6:32 p.m.

Following discussion, upon motion duly made by Director Knopinski, seconded by Director Edgar and, upon vote unanimously carried, the Board adopted the Resolution to Amend the 2023 Budget.

**LEGAL MATTERS Executive Session:** Pursuant to Sections 24-6-402(4)(a), (b) and (e), C.R.S., upon motion duly made by Director Hethcock, seconded by Director Knopinski and, upon an affirmative vote of at least two-thirds of the quorum present, the Board convened in executive session at 6:38 p.m. for the sole purpose of receiving legal advice related to correspondence received by the District from Beebe Draw Farms Metropolitan District No. 1 regarding the conveyance of real property from Beebe Draw Farms Authority to REI, LLC as authorized by Section 24-6-402(4)(b) and (e), C.R.S. Furthermore, pursuant to Section 24-6-402(2)(d.5)(II)(B), C.R.S., no record or electronic recording will be kept of those portions of the executive session that, in the opinion of the Board's attorney, constitute privileged attorney-client communication pursuant to Section 24-6-402(4)(b), C.R.S.

> Upon a motion duly made by Director Knopinski, seconded by Director Mead and, upon vote unanimously carried, the Board reconvened to regular session at 8:43 p.m.

> Director Edgar addressed the community, noting that the Board has worked hard in the executive session and there are questions that still need to be answered and some additional research on this topic, therefore he would like to continue this meeting with the goal of producing a response letter to Beebe Draw Farms Metropolitan District No. 1 and Beebe Draw Farms Authority.

> While the Board, Attorney McGeady and Ms. Johnson were in executive session, Ms. D'Amato remained in the public open session. The public discussed the following matters:

Ms. Dillon provided an update of the Weld County application process for submitting comments regarding the proposed Filing 2 construction project.

Discussion ensued regarding the ownership and new payment process of the RV storage lots, issues with Teams meeting links, revisiting the Beebe Draw Farms Authority's Authority Establishment Agreement and possible revision in the future.

There was additional discussion regarding the ownership of the water within Lake Christina and surrounding property, and the possibility of the community seeking outside counsel regarding the legal issues in which the Beebe Draw Farms Metropolitan Districts are currently involved.

MANAGER MATTERS None.

OTHER MATTERS

None.

#### ADJOURNMENT

Upon a motion duly made by Director Edgar, seconded by Director Knopinski and, upon vote unanimously carried, the Board determined to continue the meeting to February 21, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. Attorney McGeady explained the structure of the continued meeting, noting that the agenda will be comprised of an executive session and the Board is not expecting to take any action.

Respectfully submitted,

-DocuSigned by: By Scott Edgar DIBEB4FB647F497.... Secretary for the Meeting

Pursuant to Section 24-6-402(2)(d.5)(II)(B), C.R.S., I attest that, in my capacity as the attorney representing the Beebe Draw Farms Metropolitan District No. 2 Board (the "Board"), I attended the executive session meeting of the Board convened on February 13, 2024, as authorized by Section 24-6-402(4)(b) and (e), C.R.S., for the purpose of discussing correspondence received by the District from Beebe Draw Farms Metropolitan District No. 1 regarding the conveyance of real property from Beebe Draw Farms Authority to REI, LLC. I further attest it is my opinion that all of the executive session discussion constituted a privileged attorney-client communication as provided by Section 24-6-402(4)(b) and (e), C.R.S. and, based on that opinion, no further record, written or electronic, was kept or required to be kept pursuant to Section 24-6-402(2)(d.5)(II)(B), C.R.S.

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Marylun M. McGeady MaryAnn McGeady, Attorney for the District

Date: 4/2/2024

Statement read by Crystal Clark:

According to the Special District Association of Colorado, directors have the fiduciary "duty to exercise the utmost good faith, business sense, and astuteness on behalf of the district" and are "prohibited from taking personal advantage of a situation to benefit" oneself.

Time and time again, Christine Hethcock has proven that she conducts business not in the best interest of the taxpayers, but in her own best interests. She was already sued once by the residents costing the districts and taxpayers a tremendous amount of money in legal costs, only to put the districts and taxpayers in the same situation again.

With the current land transfer issues, Christine was approached to lease the land to FRICO and instead of working out the best deal for the taxpayers. Instead, she took our land, deeded it to her company, without the proper approval, only to turn around and sell her controlling interest to the very ones who were trying to lease the land!

She breached her fiduciary duty, acted in bad faith, and personally profited from her unethical acts. Therefore, I request that she be recused from the land conveyance issue and step down from the D 2 Board. While Joe may not have personally profited from the land transfer, he definitely was not acting in the best interests of the taxpayers or districts when approving the land conveyance. Instead, Joe acted in the best interests of Christine/REI.

Due to this, I ask Joe to recuse himself from the land issue and for Scott Edgar and Diane Meade be the D2 reps on the Authority Board for the land conveyance issue.

Fifteen years ago, Christine was sued by the BBD residents and settled by giving them the AEA and the amenity land she had so long ago promised them. This was to ONLY wait eleven years until she found a board that would deed the land back to her.

I believe that we are now at a crossroads with three different paths:

ONE: we can do what Christine did and simply wait until we have just the right board to go after the clouded title, as there is no statute of limitations for the recovery of government property.

Or TWO: We can draw lines in the sand and the Districts and Authority can spend a great deal of taxpayer's money on legal costs fighting amongst themselves, twisting the definitions and procedures in the AEA to fit each side.

Or THREE: we can determine the fair-market value of the land and lost income and then open communication between the BBDF residents and Scott Edgar, the new REI manager, to negotiate an equitable exchange.

I believe there are creative solutions to navigate this situation that could potentially be beneficial to ALL sides. But first the Districts and Authority Boards MUST all choose to be traveling the same road. Statement read by Ed Farrell:

I want to let the D2 Board know how disappointed your actions have left me and others. I do not speak for the entire development but can assure you my comments are echoed by many. I have a complete lack of trust in your ability to manage any business decisions related to District 2 and the Authority. This includes the pending Filing 2 actions.

As a result of your actions related to the land transfer I am asking for a Quinquennial review in order to determine what other actions and financial decisions have been made that fall within a conflict of interest. Conflicts related to this land transfer specifically include Wernsman Engineering, who was on the board when this transfer was approved and who has since benefitted greatly, and any other conflicts with the Board with either their ownership percentages or shares in REI that would benefit anyone. Merely Filing a conflict of interest does not relieve that conflict and any D2 or Authority board member with a conflict should be banned from casting a vote.

A Quinquennial review is necessary to insure the tax dollars collected by the county and dispersed to the Authority are being spent on current Filing 1 infrastructure and amenities. The Filing 2 application, engineering contracts and consulting and attorney fees are not funds that should be diverted from the Authority budgets. New Filing costs should be the developers' investments and not from the tax pool derived from Filing 1 residents.

I understand there are insurance policies to protect individuals serving on District and Authority boards from liability. I would be surprised if these policies would apply in situations that were initiated willfully and illegally in accordance with the AEA. In fact, I will support a full investigation with the State Attorney General, and the County District Attorney. I also support filing a claim with the Metropolitan District Homeowners Rights Task Force.

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