

**MINUTES OF THE
2,176th REGULAR MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
MIDDLE RIO GRANDE CONSERVANCY DISTRICT**

JUNE 14, 2021

Directors having been duly notified; Madam Chair Dunning called the regular meeting to order at 3:05 pm at the MRGCD General Office. The following Directors and Staff were present:

DIRECTORS		STAFF	
Karen Dunning, Madam Chair	Present	Mike Hamman	Chief Engineer/CEO
Joaquin Baca, Vice-Chair	Present	Dr. Chuck DuMars	Chief Water Counsel
John Kelly, Director	Present	Lorna Wiggins	General Counsel
Valerie Moore, Director	Present	Jason Casuga	Chief Operations Officer
Michael T. Sandoval, Director	Present	Pamela Fanelli	Secretary-Treasurer
Barbara Baca, Director	Present	Mike Lopez	Water Distribution Div. Manager
Stephanie Russo Baca, Director	Present	DeAnna Philips	GIS Tech/Board Liaison

The following names of individuals were interested viewers and/or participants:

James Grieco, LRPA	Alicia Lopez, MRGCD
Viola Sanchez, BIA	Doug Stretch, MRGCD
Jenifer Faler, BOR	Judy McSweeney, MRGCD
Michael Connor	Estella Gamboa, MRGCD
Larissa Gordon	Mike Apodaca, MRGCD
Theresa Davis, Albuquerque Journal	Mike Padilla, MRGCD
Mark Cordova	Daniel Arquero, MRGCD
Matthew Aragon	Adrienne Martinez, MRGCD
Sonny Cooper	Marta Moerch, MRGCD
Max Henkels, NMDA	Yasmeen Najmi, MRGCD
Julia Maccini	Danial Clouser, MRGCD

AGENDA ITEM NO. 1 – PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Madam Chair Dunning declared a quorum, and the meeting was publicly noticed. This meeting was a new hybrid order meeting, wherein board members, staff, and the public were at the meeting in person but may also called in. She also stated that rollcall votes will no longer be necessary for regular motions.

Director Moore led the Pledge of Allegiance at today's meeting.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 2 – APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Madam Chair Dunning requested that an Update to the Belen Bosque Fire be added to Item 6.e.

Mike Hamman noted that he will be covering Item 6.a., alone, as Anne Marken is on vacation. He also added Michael Conner, MRGCD Lobbyist to Item 6.d. Mr. Conner will be joining via phone to update on the topic.

Director Moore made the **MOTION TO APPROVE THE MEETING AGENDA with the above changes**. Vice Chair Baca seconded the motion. The **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3 – CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Consideration/Approval of Payment Ratification - June 14, 2021
- b. Consideration/Approval of May 2021 for Wiggins Williams & Wiggins
- c. Consideration/Approval of May 2021 Invoice for Law & Resource Planning Associates, PC
- d. Consideration/Approval of Minutes for Regular Board Meeting - May 10, 2021
- e. Request for Bid for Auditing Services - Pamela Fanelli, Secretary-Treasurer/CFO
- f. Allocation of FY21 Approved Fund for Heavy Equipment Purchases - Pamela Fanelli, Secretary-Treasurer/CFO
- g. Memo on MRGCD Approved Licenses for May 2021 (For Informational Purposes Only)

Director Kelly requested to see a couple items from the expenditure report and a discussion ensued regarding the La Joya area, as well as, Chair Dunning questioned an item that may have required a license off the Alameda Drain.

Director Kelly made the **MOTION TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA**. Director Moore seconded the motion. The **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 4 – ITEMS FROM THE FLOOR (Comments are held to six (6) minutes)

Matthew Aragon

Mr. Aragon had two questions: 1) If there is any type of rainfall that occurs, can we expect any of that runoff to be diverted for irrigation use; and 2) Are there any plans to prioritize our last remaining drops of water?

Mike Hamman responded that 1) Yes, any rainfall that occurs wherever it is in the valley will be capitalized on to the extent that it's available to the District to divert and deliver to anybody that is in the area of where it occurs. 2) The Irrigation Committee can look into those issues and then make recommendations to the Board if it is desired in times of shortage to take a look at prioritizing certain types of irrigation use. So far, however, the District has no specific policy that prioritizes water use. However, in the past, the District has curtailed utilization of diversions from people that are clearly not doing anything with the land (landscaping or anything of what we call inherent value - landscaping is considered inherent values). Mr. Hamman and Mr. Lopez will look into those parcels and make sure the water usage is appropriate.

Julia Maccini

Ms. Maccini, a recent candidate for the MRGCD Board of Directors in the election for Bernalillo County, brought to the Board's attention that:

- While the public can participate in MRGCD meetings in person, she felt it wasn't made clear and the website was not update to reflect this.
- Additionally, in the future, due to public health order if the Board meetings must take place remotely, make the Zoom link available to constituents. She felt the phone attendance is not convenient for the length of time of the meetings.

- Clear and frequent communication on the MRGCD website about irrigation water, including hydrology reports and other information, even if just a couple of short paragraphs. The concern is that as of right now, the last public information that is available are the April 2021 board meeting minutes, which were approved at the May meeting. New information that is posted is about five to six weeks old.
- Ensure that the ISOs have current and updated information to share with irrigators, so that everyone is getting the same (and most up to date) information.

Madam Chair Dunning responded that the Board meeting is in a transition period. The Board will decide when to make the transition from what's been done recently (during COVID) and going back to life as normal. The website will be updated regarding future meeting status.

Some of the decisions that were made regarding Zoom links and how to facilitate the Board meetings each month during COVID were out of fairness to some parts of the middle Rio Grande valley don't have internet or have spotty internet. Mr. Casuga reported that MRGCD will be streaming future Board meetings via YouTube beginning with possibly the July or August meeting.

Chuck DuMars was concerned about MRGCD drawing distinctions between types of water users. He stated certainly, there is a distinction between just running water on the ground and irrigating weeds. He warned it is a very slippery slope that MRGCD probably should not go down.

Madam Chair Dunning thought that the hydrology report was being put up on the MRGCD website. The MRGCD will make sure that those reports and information gets posted on the website.

Mr. Lopez was on the line and heard the suggestion regarding the ISO communication.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 5 – REPORT(S) FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR

a. Bureau of Reclamation - Jennifer Faler, Area Manager

Jennifer Faler reported that they were counting a monsoon season to ease the pain this year, but so far, we are experiencing record breaking heat with minimal rain chances for the next couple of weeks.

In going through our reservoirs, the San Juan-Chama project up in Heron has received about half of the 96,000-acre foot full yield so far this year, with the 48,000 coming in. We pessimistically project the 55%-65% allocation (optimistically 65%-75%). El Vado has 16,000 acre-feet of the total volume of 16,000-acre feet. There is water stored for the six middle Rio Grande pueblos' irrigation. MRGCD has only 164-acre feet stored in El Vado to date. The District has no water stored in Abiquiu. There has been quite a bit of coverage with facts being left out of the Elephant Butte Reservoir situation. We do expect to get down to 1% of storage this year, which is pretty drastic and could have an economic impact down in the area. BOR is getting a bad rap for the river maintenance and conveyance infrastructure. The facts are that the largest factor in conveyance in the last 40 years has been the construction of Cochiti Dam. When you look at the flows past Otowi from January to April of this year, you will see that the volume of water that flowed past Otowi matched the inflow to Elephant Butte from January to April, which is before the farmers start irrigating and the Bosque starts drinking water.

Irrigators are 100% reliant on the run of the river so far this year. Fortunately, the river has been providing to date, but the temperatures may be having impact on that. Reclamation has yet to release any minnow water to date, but we only carried over 1,200 last year. From BOR's perspective, they are buying water as fast as we can. They will be pursuing water from the Water Authority partially to offset impact to summer, but also to have some seed water for a new environmental conservation pool that will be working with the NGOs to get established in El Vado with the aid of the ability through legislation to store native water up in Abiquiu.

BOR is projecting significant drying in the Albuquerque Reach, and they are working with all the water management agencies. They also expect the river to start drying either late this week or early next week in the San Acacia Reach. By the end of next week, they project there will be drying in both the Isleta Reach and the San Acacia Reach.

BOR received a 60-day notice from Wild Earth Guardians on their intent to sue the Bureau of Reclamation and Fish and Wildlife over ESA violations, specifically alleging that they are not doing enough to mitigate impacts to the minnow. BOR should have reinitiated consultation with the service because the actual actions are causing greater harm than anticipated, and that BOR is not minimizing and mitigating impacts. They do plan to include in their suit or have a separate suit against the State administration of MRG and the District's past and ongoing diversions of water. BOR will need to decide if we're all going to pull together (the water managers) and work collectively with Wild Earth Guardians or if we're going to work against them to defeat Wild Earth Guardians in this litigation or if we're all going to retreat to our corners and keep quiet throughout the litigation.

Chair Dunning asked about a time line and Ms. Faler noted the 60-day notice. Dr. DuMars suggested that sometimes it is better to allow parties to try to discuss issues themselves rather than have attorneys involved. He asked Ms. Faler if she thought it would be possible for BOR and MRGCD to meet with WEG without attorneys. Ms. Faler responded in the positive, that she prefers that approach, and will iterate that sentiment up the chain of command.

MRGCD BOARD MEETING (06-14-21)

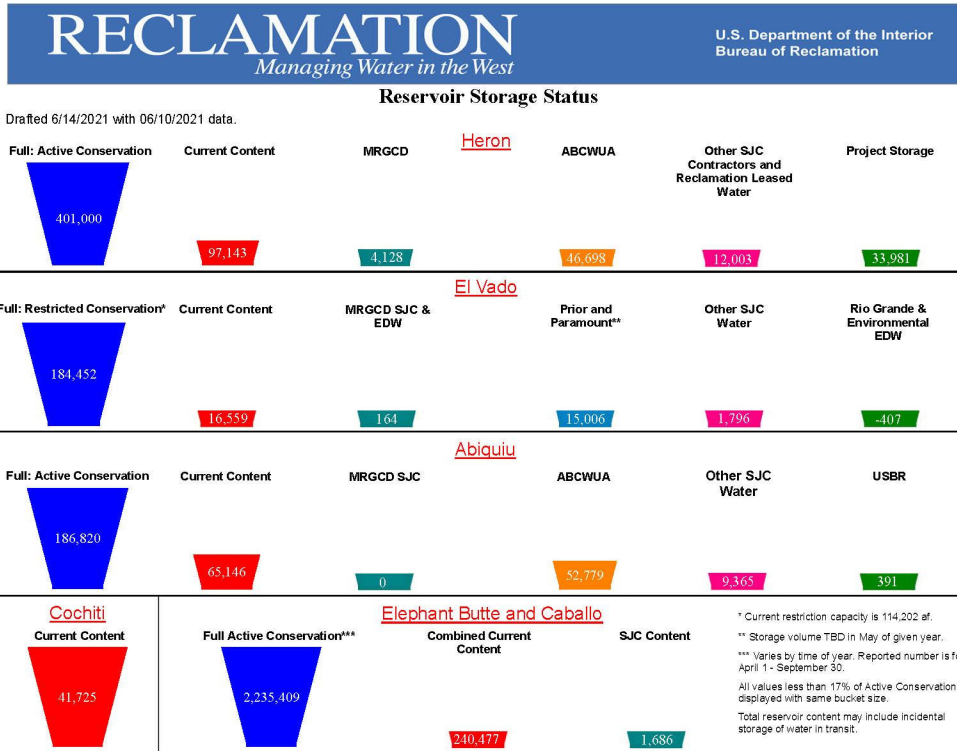
1. Heron Summary
 - Content = 97,143 ac-ft (6/10)
 - Azotea tunnel: 350-400 cfs
 - Total SJ-C inflow year-to-date: 48,975 a.f.
 - Currently releasing 0 cfs
 - Current MRGCD storage: 4,128 ac-ft

2. El Vado Summary
 - A. Total storage (all contractors and natural) in El Vado as of 6/10:
16,152 ac-ft.
 - B. Native in El Vado
0 ac-ft.
 - C. MRGCD's SJ-C storage in El Vado
164 ac-ft.
 - D. P & P: 15,006 ac-ft
 - E. EDWA: 0 ac-ft
 - F. All other SJ-C contractors: 982 ac-ft

Current release is 100 cfs RG Inflow is 100-150 cfs

3. Storage in Abiquiu
 - Content = 65,146 ac-ft (6/10)
 - MRGCD's SJ-C storage= 0 ac-ft

Total water released for minnow to date in 2021: 0 ac-ft



b. Bureau of Indian Affairs - Viola Sanchez, Designated Engineer

Ms. Sanchez sent out a proposed calendar to begin rotating amongst the pueblos for the P&P deliveries. The river seemed to fall pretty quickly over the weekend, and we're now at the point where the river is starting to drop below overall District demand. While the pueblos, as the senior water right holder for the Prior and Paramount lands, are entitled to a full supply, that doesn't necessarily mean full ditches.

BIA will begin a 10-day rotation so that the pueblos can get water to their gardens, but the alfalfa and pasture type things would be on a 20-day rotation. Ms. Sanchez is trying to make some water available to non-Indians in a way that the District can manage a little better. She will be discussing this with the pueblos at tomorrow's Tribal Water Management Conference call.

The pueblos are well aware of everything that is going on. We've had a very productive call between the pueblos, Anne Marken, and Mike Lopez in just getting deliveries straightened out. The District is doing a good job on that.

The diversions that we take in for the Prior and Paramount, much of it is going to come in at Cochiti, and some of it's going to come in at Angostura, but we do not plan on running P&P deliveries through the Albuquerque Reach to Isleta. That water gets taken it at Angostura. It might go through the Albuquerque Main Canal to get to Santa Ana and Sandia Pueblos and the northwestern corner of Isleta Pueblo at sometimes. At other times, it will stay in the Atrisco feeder until the Central Avenue siphon, where it can either go east or west, and then it goes into Riverside drain, as close to Isleta as we can take it. We don't store enough or have enough natural flow to be running it down the river through Albuquerque. The Prior and Paramount water won't really be available to help with that.

The pueblos also look at the return flows as part of theirs, as far as being natural flows, but there may be San Juan-Chama water in the system for the fish through Reclamation or the Audubon Society. BIA will definitely work with MRGCD to make sure that that water can be used for the fish. There will be a little bit of a mix of San Juan-Chama and natural flow in there. We are not looking at taking the San Juan-Chama water for the pueblos.

One of the things that we are unsure of is how much in the way of drain flows and natural flows are going to show up at Isleta Diversion Dam, especially. BIA will be working through that as time goes on. At some point, they may need to take everything in, but it's just going to depend on what happens.

BIA is preparing to try and manage this whole recession thing for the pueblos and still give them their full supply but not take from other folks and give the District as much flexibility as they possibly can to service everybody. At some point, it's going to come down to just the Prior and Paramount; there's almost no doubt about that, probably towards the end of this month or no later than early next month.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 6 – REPORT(S) FROM THE CHIEF ENGINEER - Mike A. Hamman, PE

a. Report on Water Supply Conditions - Mike Hamman, CE//CEO

Mike Hamman gave the report today. We have cut the flows on the Rio Chama down to the required minimum bypass for the Rio Chama acequia water rights (we have hit that threshold as of today), which means there is no middle valley water coming out of the Rio Chama. The last peak out of Colorado has occurred. We were getting about 800 at the border for a little while, and it has receded down to about 300 now. We are looking at roughly about 800 CFS available to the middle valley at this point in time, and that is the full diversion that the District is undertaking. It doesn't mean the river is drying yet. We are, however, approaching the point where we will not have a full supply for all of the demand by the end of this week and going into next week.

A letter was sent in March to all irrigators with status. It has unfolded the way that it was predicted; however, there has been a little longer run of the runoff than expected. This particular year has been a little better to work with, except we have virtually zero storage to supplement, with the exception, of receiving the June 1 allocation of San Juan-Chama water of almost 9,400-acre feet. We will probably get another small allocation of whatever they accumulate in June, which is diminishing on that side of the basin

In terms of how we balance operations with the P&P operations and with minnow water, there is a good chance that we could extend the flows, hopefully for an extra week, when we are hoping the early July monsoons start to kick in and give us some relief. Hope is not a plan, however. We certainly are prepared to continue to diminish diversions of unavailable water but take what we need in the river to make sure that we are extending the equity of where the water is throughout the system, trying not to short one division over the other.

We have a game plan to do the best that we possibly can with what mother nature is throwing our way. It is pretty good that we are getting close to five irrigations, which was not expected. Our guys, led by Mr. Lopez, have done a fabulous job of working closely with our irrigators and properly scheduling and rotating through in the various areas on a check-to-check basis. We have kept our diversions down roughly about 80% of normal this time and still meeting demands. We are very pleased that our irrigators are cooperating to the extent that they can.

Getting early notice out was very beneficial in that they were prepared. They made proper decisions about their cropping patterns and even fallowing some fields.

Director Moore asked about the status of the Compact debit. Mike Hamman responded that made some really good progress with the ending the irrigation season early last year, as well as delaying the start of the irrigation season. However, since that time, with the temperatures rising, the demand is going up. We have actually gone back into a red situation just for this delivery year. It is going to be a difficult situation and a letter will go out regarding the debit situation and what our options are going into next year.

i. **Minnow Action Team (MAT) Meeting on June 10, 2021, to Address River Recession Management**

Mike Hamman reported that he, Mike Lopez, and others will participate in a meeting on June 10th. It's a group of mainly hydrologists and biologists that dial in to get a sense of what is going on with the river itself and the silvery minnow population. For this particular call, it is focused on how we are going to manage the recession to provide enough operational and procedural timing for the folks that get out in the river to rescue the minnows from the stranded pools in adequate time. We want to dry at about a rate of maybe a mile a day. It is hard to know exactly how it is going to unfold with the heavy heat that we are experiencing right now. The evapotranspiration has gone up tremendously on the river itself.

ii. **MRG Pueblos Prior and Paramount Water Operations Plan**

Mr. Hamman discussed on the Prior and Paramount above as far as what we have in the toolbox to operate with the P&P water as its moving through. He feels we'll have to weigh how best to utilize that San Juan-Chama water in concert with other operations to help extend the irrigation season as long as we can.

b. Status Report on Water Distribution - Mike Lopez, Water Distribution Division Manager

Mike Lopez reported that they have been watching flows closely along the river and distributing, making adjustments as necessary to each division. They will continue to do that as flows decrease. Mr. Lopez explained within the divisions, they have created "zone blocks" distribution strategy that they are using, which proved to be very efficient in this tight water year. As flows decrease, the ISOs will deliver to these zones the appropriate amount of water and follow a rotational cycle. He has been meeting regularly with the ISOs to keep them informed, and they have a scheduled meeting the next day.

He believes they are prepared for the drying conditions as they've been operating in this way, as well as the farmers are prepared. Mr. Lopez agreed with Director Moore that the farmers should try to stay on rotation and receive their water when it is scheduled for them. The ISOs are trying to be flexible as long as it does not create an inefficiency to other water users.

Director Russo Baca asked if there had been any more violations of illegal irrigation. Mr. Lopez reported that for the most part, most people are very cooperative. There has been a few incidents besides the one she's referring. Discussion ensued around the policy for appeal and the timeliness of final decision on an appeal. Mr. Hamman noted that the first step is at his level. He then will put together an Irrigation Committee meeting together quickly to make recommendation. Director Kelly suggested turning an appeal over to the Irrigation Committee and executive staff and make decisions in the benefit of time. He would not like to involve

seven board members getting together to accept the committee recommendation. Dr. DuMars agreed with Director Kelly regarding putting a committee together, taking action and giving the other party the opportunity to come in and present their position; he feels there needs to be a swift response to that.

Chair Dunning added that the communication between upper management and the ISOs are good, but there are complaints about the ISOs communication to the irrigators is still occurring and asked Mr. Lopez to address that with his team.

c. Update on Phase 1 Title Transfer - Mike Hamman, CE/CEO

Mike Hamman reported that we have made much progress and worked things out with SHPO (State Historic Preservation Offices). We have an MOU in place and negotiated a really good exemption of approximately 98% of the things MRGCD does. He has been told that the quitclaim deed and assignment is in the hands of the Commissioner's Office. It is expected they will send it over to Congress in July. He believes Phase 1 Title Transfer will occur formally in October.

Further discussion was had with Director Russo Baca reminding everyone that the MRGCD is a conservancy district and not an irrigation district which is legally two separate and distinct establishments.

d. Drought Relief and Infrastructure Funding Requests and Strategy at the State and Federal Level - Mike Hamman, CE/CEO, and Michael Conner, MRGCD Lobbyist

Michael Conner discussed the landscape going on in Washington D.C. these days with the Biden Administration and what MRGCD will see in terms of policy. He also discussed a letter that he and Mike Hamman have drafted to "tell the story" of MRGCD to maybe some attention from the jobs plan and the infrastructure package. Discussion ensued with all Directors and Mr. Conner, discussing ideas of what to include and prioritize. Mr. Conner also added some background to the landscape going on in the Department of the Interior.

e. Update on Bosque Fire and Illegal Vehicle/Homeless Trespass Coordination - Yasmeen Najmi, Planning Specialist

Yasmeen Najmi updated the Board that she organized a four-county meeting with the fire departments and the bosque land management agencies, including MRGCD's division managers and some of our staff. The purpose was to discuss the current fire conditions, what the monsoon outlook was looking like at the time, if there were current or planned burn or other types of fire restrictions in different jurisdictions, and then recommendations for actions that we could possibly take for wildfire prevention going into what is normally the dry season before the monsoons.

At that time, there were not any state fire restrictions. When the question of closing the bosque or having restrictions was brought up, the general consensus was it is better to have eyes out there with campers and the like. The decision was made to see how things would go, and they would meet back in the end of May.

Since Memorial Day, there have been approximately eight in Albuquerque/Bernalillo County, a few small ones in Corrales, three in Valencia County and Socorro is doing fairly well insofar as fires. Homeless camping is occurring in the bosque in all four jurisdictions at this point. Multiple fires have been started by campers, especially in the Los Lunas area. The District and our land

management partners have been actively engaging law enforcement to make contact with those who are camping (in some cases homesteading) and getting them to leave, issuing trespass citations to those who are repeat offenders, and then cleaning up camps. Some camps were removed in Valencia County by the Sheriff, both in Los Chavez and Los Lentos, which are new areas that people have moved into. Albuquerque has removed about six very large camps in the bosque, primarily in the Rio Bravo area. There is an arrest warrant that has been issued for a person in Valencia County by the Fire Marshall, who the investigators believe is responsible for quite a few of those fires that have occurred there.

We have made progress in terms of ATV use. MRGCD staff has met with the Valencia County Sheriff, Bernalillo County Sheriff, AMAFCA, the City of Albuquerque Open Space Rangers, and City Open Space staff to discuss ATV access, both on our facilities and also in the bosque. The purpose really was to be able to clarify for law enforcement what is authorized and what is not authorized in terms of vehicle use so that they can enforce those things. Signage is a big consideration, as they cannot really enforce what is not signed and made clear to the public. It was also recommended that when MRGCD issues the bosque vehicle access permits that we should review those rules with permittees.

MRGCD staff and Open Space Police and staff have toured areas in the South Valley, from Rio Bravo to I-25, where there has been a lot of OHV use breaching into the bosque and the open space areas. AMAFCA and Open Space are actively repairing some gates right now and also adding some additional gates in hopes that that will help abate some of that use. The city and county police are also planning some joint blitzes and patrolling in those areas this summer. Although, the agencies are having issues with hiring and filling vacant positions.

Mr. Hamman supplemented the reaction of our team in both the Belen and the Socorro field divisions who provided equipment for the Belen fire and responded with three dozers and operators who are trained to deal with cutting lines, etc. We're glad to report high pressure gas lines were not in jeopardy.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 7 – REPORT(S) FROM THE MRGCD ATTORNEY(S) - Chief Water Counsel and/or General Counsel

Neither Lorna Wiggins nor Dr. Charles DuMars had anything to report.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8 – REPORT(S) FROM THE MRGCD BOARD OF DIRECTORS

a. Report on the MRCOG Executive Meetings, March 19, April 16, and May 13, 2021 - Director Baca

Director Baca reported that the big issue that came up during the March and April meetings were that they discovered larger buffer (or unprogrammed funds) of like \$5M. There will now be a fair and equitable process for member groups to put in requests for the monies that are available.

Director Baca also reported that the biggest outcome of the May meetings was that she was elected the Vice Chair of the Executive Board for COG, which she is doing for networking opportunities with other member agencies. One example is that she and Director Kelly met with Jack Torres, mayor of Bernalillo on a project regarding management of that area on the highway.

Director Kelly made the **MOTION TO APPROVE THE THREE (MARCH, APRIL, AND MAY) REPORTS FO THE MRCOG EXECUTIVE MEETINGS.** Director Moore seconded the motion. The **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

b. Report on the Women in Agriculture 2021 Leadership Conference, May 25-26, 2021 - Director Russo Baca

Director Russo Baca stated because she is in Ag and has her undergrad degree in agriculture she was interested in attending. She reported that her biggest takeaway from the conference (that was attended by many New Mexico Representatives) was that on this Board, as well as various groups across New Mexico, that there is a divide between agriculture and urban. She feels that the most important thing to get around that rural/urban divide on the issues is for there to be communication no matter what side you may fall on. She thinks the MRGCD Board does it well but can always do more stating that it's not just a water issue or a farming issue, it's a people issue.

Director Kelly responded to her talk about the Board and the communications and feels that the Board members all need to reaffirm their expectations and their commitments to treat one other with respect, treat the staff with respect, speak about the issues, not the people.

Director Kelly made the **MOTION TO APPROVE THE REPORT ON THE WOMEN IN AGRICULTURE 2021 LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE, MAY 25-26-2021.** Director Baca seconded the motion. The **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

AGENDA ITEM NO. 9 – EXECUTIVE SESSION

a. NMSA 1978 Open Meetings Act, Section 10-15-1(H)7

1. Threatened or Pending Litigation

Madam Chair Dunning requested a motion to move into Executive Session.

Director Kelly made the **MOTION TO GO TO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION.** Director Baca seconded the motion. Rollcall vote was administered with all members voting yes. The **MOTION CARRIED.**

Director Baca	Yes	Vice Chair Baca	Yes
Director Sandoval	Yes	Director Moore	Yes
Director Kelly	Yes	Director Russo Baca	Yes
Madam Chairwoman	Yes		

Madam Chair Dunning adjourned the meeting at 5:33 pm.

Madam Chair Dunning reconvened the meeting at 7:00pm in which she requested a motion to move back into the regular Board meeting.

Director Moore made the **MOTION TO RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION.** Director Baca seconded the motion. Rollcall vote was administered with all members voting yes. The **MOTION CARRIED.**

Director Baca	Yes	Vice Chair Baca	Yes
Director Sandoval	Yes	Director Moore	Yes

Director Kelly	Yes	Director Russo Baca	Yes
Madam Chairwoman	Yes		

During Executive Session, updates were given on threatened or pending litigation. No decisions were made, nor any votes taken during Executive Session.

With no further comments, questions or concerns, Madam Chair Dunning adjourned the meeting at 7:01 p.m.

Approved to be the correct Minutes of the Board of Directors of June 14, 2021.

ATTESTED:

Pamela Fanelli, CMA, CGFM
Secretary/Treasurer

Karen Dunning, Madam Chair
MRGCD Board of Directors