

Minutes
Carlsbad Soil and Water Conservation District
August 14, 2023 6pm
In person and Teleconference

Supervisors Present

Nathan Jurva
Jim Carr
Henry Vasquez-phone
Kristin Pope
Lupe Carrasco
Fred Beard
Charles Goodwin-phone

Others

Sandi Wilkie – CSWCD
Ray Keller – CSWCD-phone
Riki Lopez-CSWCD
Katie Kuthraup-NMDA-phone

Raquel Chacon-NRCS
Heath Morton-Vertex
Renee Cox-USFS

Supervisors Absent: none

Chairman Nathan Jurva called the committee meeting to order at 6:08 p.m.

Jim Carr moved to approve the agenda, Lupe Carrasco seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Kristin Pope moved to approve the minutes from the previous meeting; Lupe Carrasco seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Lupe Carrasco moved to approve the financial reports and pay bills; Jim Carr seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Presentations: None

Unfinished Business

Project Updates

BLM – Still waiting on final documentation for the master agreement. There are reclamations lined up and creosote work being identified.

New Business

Porter Road Project-also known as the Otis Drainage Project- Henry provided pictures of the drainage areas and the failing thereof. Nathan explained as much of the history of the project as known. Kristin Pope moved and Charles Goodwin seconded to approve staff looking into the legals of the project and begin facilitating discussions with CID, the County, NRCS and stakeholders to see what if anything can be done. Motion passed unanimously.

Resolution IV Accept FY22 Audit- Jim Carr moved and Kristin Pope seconded to approve the resolution. Roll Call vote: Nathan Jurva Aye, Jim Carr Aye, Kristin Pope Aye, Henry Vasquez Aye, Lupe Carrasco Aye, Fred Beard Aye, Charles Goodwin Aye.

NM Veg Management Workshop- Fred Beard moved and Lupe Carrasco seconded to approve travel and expenses for staff and supervisors to attend the '23 NMVMA conference in November. Motion passed unanimously.

NM Watershed and Dam Owner Coalition Dues- \$100.00- Jim Carr moved and Kristin Pope seconded to renew the district's membership at \$100. Motion passed unanimously.

Public Lands Day(week)- No action taken. Dates were given and details about the event.

Annual Report- Lupe Carrasco moved and Fred Beard seconded to approve the annual report. Motion passed unanimously.

Oath of Office- Fred Beard gave his oath.

Brush Control – A Kidd, J Putnam, C Sisk-Lupe Carrasco moved and Fred Beard seconded to approve the applications. Motion passed unanimously.

Shade Balls- Hughes, Smith- Jim Carr moved and Fred Beard seconded to approve the applications. Motion passed unanimously.

Reports

NRCS –See attached.

NMDA –See attached.

NMACD – None

USFS –Renee asked if the district would send a letter to the forest supervisor expressing the need for a weeds EIS.

ECES – none

CID- none

CSWCD –Sandi and Riki reported on the success of the conservation programs at the Eddy Co Fair.

Others- None.

Adjourn –The meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Sandi Wilkie

Chairman- Nathan Jurva

Secretary/Treasurer – Jim Carr