

**Minutes
Carlsbad Soil and Water Conservation District
January 12, 2026 6pm
In person and Teleconference**

Supervisors Present

Nathan Jurva
Henry Vasquez
Jim Carr
Lupe Carrasco
Kristin Pope
Fred Beard

Others

Sandi Wilkie – CSWCD	Katie Kuthraupt-NMDA-phone
Emily Metcalf-CSWCD-phone	Wyatt Toothman-BLM
Ria Jarquin-Lewis-CSWCD	Sophia Towson-BLM
Renae Cox-BLM	Tristan Henley-BLM
Jeffrey Timmons	

Supervisors Absent: Charles Goodwin

Chairman Nathan Jurva called the committee meeting to order at 6:07 p.m.

Kristin Pope moved to approve the agenda, Lupe Carrasco seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Jim Carr moved to approve the minutes from the previous meeting; Henry Vasquez seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

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

Presentations: Jeff Timmons gave a brief presentation about the upcoming opportunities of Saffron planting and harvesting studies in the area.

Unfinished Business

Project Updates

BLM – Emily reports that waiting on the contractor to start creosote work- 15,900 acres of creosote and in Chaves County 2000 acres of Juniper. Renae reports that we currently have 4 interns and 3 more are interested.

New Business

Oath of office- Kristin Pope took her oath.

Election of officers- Lupe Carrasco moved and Henry Vasquez seconded to keep the current slate of officers by acclimation. Motion passed unanimously.

Expanded cost-share programs- Kristin Pope moved and Lupe Carrasco seconded to form a committee to draft ideas and parameters for programs. Motion passed unanimously. Committee members are Henry Vasquez, Kristin Pope and Lupe Carrasco.

Brush Control – none

Reports

NRCS –See attached.

NMDA –See attached.

NMACD –None

USFS –None

ECES – none

CID - none

CSWCD –

Others- Ria announced that she has given her two weeks' notice and will be leaving the district.

Closed Session: 10-15-1 (H)(2) Limited Personnel Matters Jim Carr moved and Henry Vasquez seconded to move to closed session at 6:58pm. Motion passed unanimously.

At 7:34 Kristin Pope moved and Henry Vasquez seconded to return to open session. There was discussion of limited personnel matters in closed session, but no action was taken.

Adjourn –The meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Sandi Wilkie

Chairman- Nathan Jurva

Secretary/Treasurer – Jim Carr