

**Minutes
Carlsbad Soil and Water Conservation District
March 10, 2025 6pm
In person and Teleconference**

Supervisors Present

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

Supervisors Absent:

Others

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| Sandi Wilkie – CSWCD | Renae Cox-BLM |
| Riki Lopez-CSWCD | Ty Carter-BLM-phone |
| Ria Jarquin-Lewis-CSWCD | Jennifer Hopper-NMACD |
| Ray Keller-CSWCD-phone | |
| Katie Kuthraupt-NMDA | |

Chairman Nathan Jurva called the committee meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

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

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

Kristin Pope moved to approve the financial reports and pay bills; Henry Vasquez seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Presentations: none

Unfinished Business

Project Updates

BLM – Still waiting for some funding to be released. Reclamation is in the works. Potential mesquite treatment areas are being identified. The four interns are working on GIS training right now. The seed cooler has arrived. The funding for a possible greenhouse project has been approved.

New Business

Fencing Contract renewal-Kristin Pope moved and Henry Vasquez seconded to approve the contract with the mathematical corrections made. Motion passed unanimously.

BLM GIS specialist- Ty Carter proposed that the district create a GIS specialist position that would be funded through the agreement. This person would continue working on the Restore NM mapping as well as weed and brush treatment mapping.

NMCEWL annual workshop- Kristin Pope moved and Lupe Carrasco seconded to approve travel and expenses for staff and/or board members to attend. Motion passed unanimously.

Brush Control — W Ballard- Kristin Pope moved and Lupe Carrasco seconded to approve the application. Motion passed unanimously.

Shade Balls- none

Reports

NRCS –See attached.

NMDA –See attached.

NMACD –Jennifer Hopper visited with the board about training availability and other services offered.

USFS –None

ECES – none
CID- none
CSWCD –
Others- None.

Jim Carr moved and Fred Beard seconded to adjourn and go into a closed session for limited personnel matters. Motion Passed unanimously.

At 7:18, Kristin Pope moved and Jim Carr seconded to reopen the meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

Kristin Pope moved and Lupe Carrasco seconded to post a part-time GIS position, pending funding approval from the BLM. Motion passed unanimously.

Henry Vasquez moved and Jim Carr seconded that Ria Jarquin-Lewis be approved as permanent and that her insurance coverage begin April 1st, 2025. Motion passed unanimously.

Henry Vasquez moved and Jim Carr seconded to approve a 5% raise for Sandi, Riki, and Ria and a 2% raise for Ray at the start of the Fiscal Year 26 on July 1, 2025. Motion passed unanimously.

Adjourn –The meeting adjourned at 7:22 p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Sandi Wilkie

Chairman- Nathan Jurva

Secretary/Treasurer – Jim Carr