



EAGLE COUNTY CONSERVATION DISTRICT

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Monthly Board Meeting Minutes April 10, 2024
5:30pm at the Road and Bridge Facility in Gypsum, CO

Meeting called to order at: 5:42pm

Supervisors Present: Scott Schlosser, Wendy Sacks, CLayton Gerard, Shawn Bruckman, Ken Marchetti, Scott Jones, Jay Taylor

Supervisors Absent: N/A

Guests: Tom Boyd, Stephen Jaouen, Denyse Schrenker

Approval of Minutes: Wendy moved to approve, Ken seconds, all in favor, approved

Roll Call Reports: Board member miles & hours spent on conservation starting with the last regular meeting held March 13, 2023

<u>BOARD MEMBER</u>	<u>HOURS</u>	<u>MILES</u>
Scott Jones		
Scott Schlosser	25	100
Wendy Sacks	15	80
Clayton Gerard	14	60
Shawn Bruckman	12	50
Jay Taylor		
Ken Marchetti	16	60

Treasurer's Report:

[Master Financial Statement 2022/2023](#)

- Wendy makes a motion to approve \$2,000 to go towards an increase in Allegra's salary, Shawn seconds, all in favor, motion passes.
 - Would like to schedule quarterly performance reviews going forward to keep track of progress.

Guests:

Tom Boyd -

- Running for County Commissioner - replacing Kathy Chandler-Henry
- Here to introduce himself, and to acquaint himself with the board and the mission of ECCD
- Primary election is June 25th - unaffiliated and democratic voters can vote

Topics to Discuss:

Election & Fundraising Update

- Money Raised/Robin Contract
 - **Shawn makes a motion that we will pay Robin half of the amount of her final invoice. Clayton seconds, all in favor, motion passes.**
- Election Costs
 - Preliminary voter list gives us 25,600 voters
 - Mill Levy Costs estimate
 - District costs = \$164,980
 - Issues committee costs = \$50,000
 - Remaining costs needed: ~\$164,980
 - **Ken makes a motion that we use the money raised to go into contract with Vision for ballot printing. Shawn seconds. Nay - Jay. Motion passes.**
 - Learn the payment scheduling and cancellation conditions with Vision when we go into contract with them.
 - Ken recommends that we conduct a second survey. Trust for Public Lands will likely assist with survey costs. Laura will provide a further update at the next board meeting.
 - We will have a targeted list by the time of the second survey, as well as ballot language. Conducting a second survey with this data will give us a more precise response.

DCT Update:

- A lot of online training with NRCS for Planner 1 certification
- Joining Stephen, Jamie, and Emma on site visits
- Joined Jamie for weed mapping project
- Created seeding recommendations for our seeding mixes
- Updated website and booth materials for events

TOE Open Space & ECCD Consultation:

- April 27 Pitch
- The Ground Up has been working with Eagle County Open Space to look at soil health plans and seeding plans. They are looking to propose a plan to Eagle Ranch Wildlife Committee on implementing these plans
- Shawn proposes that ECCD is recommended as a partner in this proposal, to use ECCD protocols and expertise
- \$800,000 and a little over 1000 acres
- Laura will provide an email update once details are more clear

Program Updates:

- VENCE
 - Hired 2 ECCD technicians and one CSU technician is hired

- Collars arrived today
- STAR
 - Now called the Colorado Soil Health Program
 - Have completed 4 consultations
 - Soil moisture probes will be installed for 3 new producers
 - New regional specialist - Reese
- Beyond Lawn
 - Fully in the implementation stages
 - Sending out rebate applications
- AtBC
 - Still not under contract - NEPA

Broad discussion on other events that have happened in the past month- meetings, conferences, etc.

NRCS Report:

- Personnel - Stephen is in new position as RC for planning
 - Also is acting for RC district 3
 - Detail from NE area - resource conservationist
 - Resource conservationist position has 4 applicants
 - RTL and Engineering positions have not been flown yet.
- CSP contracts
 - All in GS have been obligated
 - Contract signing for PJ removal in Eagle County
 - Working through getting EQIP project funded
- Water
 - Projected just slightly above normal stream flows for Eagle River

CSU Ext Update:

- New admin tech is starting on May 1st
- Extension livestock specialists just started a new podcast - Allegra has the link
- Webinar on May 2nd from 12-1pm - protecting natural resources, pasture improvement, etc.

Mail Review: None

Next Meeting Date: May, 2024

Adjourn: Wendy moves to adjourn, Scott seconds, approved

Notes taken by: Allegra Waterman-Snow, Program Manager

Action Items: