



EAGLE COUNTY CONSERVATION DISTRICT

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Monthly Board Meeting Minutes August 14th, 2024
5:30pm at the Road and Bridge Facility in Gypsum, CO

Meeting called to order at: 5:40pm

Supervisors Present: Scott Jones, Wendy Sacks, Clayton Gerard, Ken Marchetti, Scott Schlosser, Jay Taylor

Supervisors Absent: Shawn Bruckman

Guests: Stephen Jaouen, Denyse Schrenker

Approval of Minutes:

Roll Call Reports: Board member miles & hours spent on conservation starting with the last regular meeting held July 10th, 2024

<u>BOARD MEMBER</u>	<u>HOURS</u>	<u>MILES</u>
Scott Jones	4	0
Scott Schlosser	12	40
Wendy Sacks	12	20
Clayton Gerard	3	4
Shawn Bruckman		
Jay Taylor		
Ken Marchetti	16	12

Treasurer's Report:

[Master Financial Statement 2022/2023](#)

Guests: N/A

Topics to Discuss:

Election Updates

- Ryan (Magellan) has given us a first round voter list
- Debbie (DEO) - determine if she wants to be a contractor or employee (term of 3 months)
- We have secured our election judges
 - Planning for 6 election judges
- Ballots will be mailed between October 14th - October 26th
 - DEO will coordinate with the county to collect any ballots dropped off at County drop boxes.
 - Ballot counting will begin as soon as ballots arrive
- Budget update:
 - Laura has updated the budget to reflect new grant/contract money coming in
 - Foundation for America's Public Lands Grant
 - Eagle Ranch Wildlife Committee
- Fundraising Update:
 - A letter has been sent to Jason, CRR, with a request for a donation or loan of \$50K on 8/13. Response has not been received yet
 - If we do not raise the \$80K needed, we have enough funds in the bank to cover the additional costs
 - There are several leads for additional donations
- Adopting the ballot language in September

Foundation for America's Public Lands Grant Update

- New grant application
- ECCD to highlight the CIG grant in new grant
 - Continue to fund monitoring efforts
 - Bocco mountain project
 - Spread word of VF statewide

DCT Update

- AtBC
 - No new applications
 - Two existing applications have been approved
 - Lots of education and answering questions
- Colorado Soil Health Program
 - Working with Reese from CDA
 - Meetings with round 1 producers scheduled for the end of the month
 - Meeting on 8/13 at Martin's house with CDA, going over the different practices
 - Scott S. feedback - in meetings with producers, determine goals and provide actionable items

Other Program Updates:

- VENCE
 - Techs are in their last three weeks of the field season
 - Will continue monitoring through 2027 with new grant
- Beyond Lawn

- 53 evaluations performed
- One irrigation rebate pending approval
- Working with Resource Central to provide free turf removal to 4 participants - date TBD

Updated Events:

- 8/24: Minturn Market
- 8/27: Steamboat Lake Rust Fungus field day
- 9/5: Water Symposium- Laura to Present @2024 Water Conservation Symposium
- 9/12: Watershed Meeting
- 10/1: ECCD Annual Event

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

NRCS Report:

- New Civil Engineer - will start on the 26th
- Closed the RTL & RC position last Thursday
- Contracts
 - Working with CSP participants
- Colorado is starting to experience drought - middle and northern part of CO
- Above average for water year - 108% for eagle river
- 2024 - wetter and warmer than normal

CSU Ext Update:

- Pesticide applicator licensing - Denyse can administer at her office now
- Hiring for admin again
- Colorado Master Gardener applications are open now through the end of the month

Mail Review: N/A

Next Meeting Date: September 4, 2024

Adjourn:

Notes taken by: Allegra Waterman-Snow, Program Manager

Action Items:

- Post the change of meeting on website