



EAGLE COUNTY CONSERVATION DISTRICT

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Monthly Board Meeting Minutes January 8, 2025

5:30pm Road and Bridge, Gypsum

Google Meet joining info

Video call link: <https://meet.google.com/tmt-ihpy-xid>

Or dial: (US) +1 402-628-0151 PIN: 705 102 112#

Meeting called to order at: 5:38pm

Supervisors Present: Scott Jones, Scott Schlosser, Clayton Gerard, Shawn Bruckman, Jay Taylor

Supervisors Absent: Wendy Sacks, Ken Marchetti

Guests Present: Glenn Campagna

Approval of Minutes: Scott S. moves to approve, Jay seconds, minutes approved

Roll Call Reports: Board member miles & hours spent on conservation starting with the last regular meeting held December 11, 2024

BOARD MEMBER	HOURS	MILES
Scott Jones	5	20
Scott Schlosser	5	20
Wendy Sacks		
Clayton Gerard	3	4
Shawn Bruckman	8	40
Jay Taylor	5	4
Ken Marchetti		

Guests:

Glenn Campagna

- New engineer at the Glenwood Springs NRCS Office
- Introducing himself at the board meeting, and to the board members present

Treasurer's Report:

[Master Financial Statement 2022/2023](#)

- Nothing has changed in future budget 2025
- General fund budget has been submitted to DOLA and approves
- YTD actuals have changed - \$601,000
 - Due to a discrepancy in the County Nox. Weed contribution
- Waiting on one reimbursement for the VF project that will be forwarded to VENCE (for 2024 collars/subscriptions) once received
- Moving into the future - continue to track expenses and keep all receipts

CSAFE-

Statewide investment pool approved for local government entities (similar ColoTrust)

- Favorable interest rates compared to banks,
- Very secure,
- ColoTrust- not as reliable/secure in Ken's opinion
- CSAFE- more flexible, high quality

Clyaton makes motion to open a CSAFE account. Shawn seconds, all in favor. Motion passes.

Topics to Discuss:

Board Elections:

- Call For Nominations Form (to be published between 1/26-2/20)
 - Shawn moves to approve the Call For Nominations Form, Scott S. seconds, all in favor. Motion passes
- ByLaws & Board Term Limits Cont':
 - In checking with Niki Brinson, Laura learned that in 2002, ECCD held an election to remove board terms. CACD has this information in a word document in their records, but not in a formal document. Laura will be looking for these records in ECCD's files, to confirm.
 - If Ken is content with this level of detail, then we do not need to pursue changing our ByLaws.

Natural Resource Specialist:

- The main priority of this position will be Beyond Lawn, and moving into Urban Ag and possibly forestry
- We would like this position to be flexible, and focused on plants, soil, and water, to be small acreage and urban
- Horticulture background preferred to accomplish our broad stroke goals
- Posting locations
 - Texas A&M
 - Quivira
 - Roaring Fork Farmers
 - CSU - Range Management
 - Keep It Colorado
 - Talk to Jessica Foulis
- Board members will be involved - Laura and Allegra will select a first cut, send to board members for final interview selection
- Blocked off two dates in March for applicant interviews
 - March 18th and 20th

Wolf Conflict:

- Producers are currently confused about what resources exist, and where to go for these resources
- Ag day in GarPit - wolf conflict session during the workshop
- Have Greg contact Matt Y. with CPW about these programs, and how we can help facilitate
- These resources need to be promoted as education and resources
- Other thought:
 - Call tree?
 - Can we help provide compensation in the future if CPW isn't serving our constituents?

Branding, workwear & promotional products:

- Need to order new promotional materials for this year
- Logo changes - Laura has a friend who can make updates to our logo for \$100
 - The board approves
- Make a generic business card that links to our website, phone, email, and social media
- Hats - for giveaway and board members
- Workwear for employees, possibly for board members

Seed Sales Working Group (Feb):

- Need to create:
 - A pollinator mix
 - A range mix
- Set for Feb 4th at 3:30pm Scheduled for Feb 4 at 3:30pm (virtual)

DCT Update:

- He will be continuing to work with producers on wolf resources

He will be pursuing forestry projects to see if there is a need in Eagle County

- Greg will be working virtually from the east coast on family leave

Other Program Updates

- Beyond Lawn
 - HOAs are being pursued for 2025
- Virtual Fencing
 - No updates
- FAPL
 - Grazing permit is on hold for Bocco for the time being

Upcoming Events:

- 1/11- Ag Day- Rifle
- 1/13 - Nox Weed Working Group; 10am
- 1/14 - Shoshone Water Rights Preservation Project; 5-6:30pm CMC
- 1/15 - Eagle County Land Use Code Meeting; 5-7p

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

NRCS Report:

- NRCS Range Management Specialist is on detail from Montrose
- Tentative job offer was accepted for Resource Conservationist
 - Final job offer will be sent out next week
- Tentative job offer was accepted for a Natural Resources Specialist
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- No word yet on Stephen's position
- Fact sheet for RCPP will come out on Friday

CSU Ext Update:

- Registration for Annie's project is open
- Mountain Region Ag specialist - wants to do a 1 day forestry workshop in Eagle County

Mail Review: N/A

Next Meeting Date: February 12, 2025

Adjourn: 8:18pm

Minutes taken by: Allegra Waterman-Snow, Program Manager

Action Items:

- Have all board members review the bylaws before Feb. meeting, and then have a discussion at that board meeting about changes needed/questions.
- Refer to our mission in the Natural Resource Specialist job description
- Make a generic business card that links to our website, phone, email, and social media
- Nick Sunday - empty lot next to him that could be a good demonstration garden in the Bluffs
- Reach out to Jackie Schlegel for updated contact list for producers