EAGLE COUNTY CONSERVATION DISTRICT

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Monthly Board Meeting Agenda February 9th, 2022

5:30pm at the Road and Bridge Facility

**Meeting called to order at 5:36pm**

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

**Supervisors Absent:** N/A

**Guests:** Stephen Jaouen, Denyse Shrenker

**Approval of Minutes:** motion to approve by Wendy, Ken seconded

**Roll Call Reports:** Board member miles & hours spent on conservation starting with the last regular meeting held January 12, 2022

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| **BOARD MEMBER** | **HOURS** | **MILES** |
| Scott Jones | 65 | 400 |
| Scott Schlosser | 16 | 45 |
| Wendy Sacks | 6 | 0 |
| Clayton Gerard | 8 | 24 |
| Shawn Bruckman |  |  |
| Jay Taylor |  |  |
| Ken Marchetti | 8 | 0 |

**Treasurer’s Report:**

Alpine Checking Account balance: $ 49,519.83

Money Market Account balance: $30,658

Chuck Restivo has not cashed is check, Laura will remind him to do so.

Shawn needs a new check from the Annual Meeting, along with money for pizza ($18)

**Topics to Discuss:**

2022 EC Contract- The board has reviewed and approved the 2022 Eagle County service agreement. Ken also discussed the inflation rate and 4% increase in the current contract. He recommended that we assess it, through the Consumer Price Index, every September. ken motioned to approve the language in the service agreement and Wendy seconded.

Election Items- Cancelation of Elections SD 11 and 12- Ken recommended, in the future, to send form SD 11 with SD 6, stating that in the event there are no more candidates than elected officials, to move forward with cancelation. Ken motioned to approve the document and Clayton seconded the notion.

PR Consultant- Laura mentioned that Jens Werner is still trying to get a proposal in, and the board agreed to wait to review the proposals until then. The board briefly reviewed Cliff Thompson’s proposal of a total of $9,900. They discussed his previous experience, work with special districts and mill levy’s, and specific provisions. It was noted that he will no include cost for surveys. Ken mentioned that they can add up to around $30,000-$40,000 and that ECCD will need to seek a discounted offer. The ECCD has budgeted for $10,000 in PR work. It was later determined that ECCD boundaries are not the same as the county boundary, so when we conduct surveys for voters, we will have to be careful in distributing within the ECCD boundary. Stephen has sent over some maps that discloses the Sweetwater and Radium boundaries.

Annual Report/Direct Assistance- Laura previewed ECCD’s 2021 Annual Report to the board before submitting it to DOLA for Direct Assistance. The board approved of the new design and Laura will submit it.

Exemption From Audit- The board reviewed the Exemption From Audit Form. It was noted for Laura to check Governmental. Ken mentioned that next year the ECCD will have to perform an audi and that we will need an accounting system that is auditable. It was agreed by the board to transfer the budget information to Laura, using QuickBooks 17 Accountant Desktop. Ken has a free license for QuickBooks 17 and will schedule a time to download onto Laura’s computer. She will then sit down with Wendy and Ken to transfer all budget items from Wendy’s database. Stephen mentioned that Bookcliff CD has an accountant that reviews their budget every quarter. Ken volunteered to do that for ECCD. Clayton made the motion to transfer budget management to Laura, Scott s seconded. Wendy motioned for the Exemption From Audit form to be approved, upon checking the government box and with everyone’s signature. Ken seconded the notion.

Colorado River Basin Roundtable Representative- The ECCD looked into the criteria for holding a seat at the table. Scott Jones stated that you can be appointed by the organization that which holds a seat at the table. This is how Holly Loff will transfer her seat to her replacement through Eagle County Municipal. The board will continue this conversation in getting ECCD on the table contingent to what Kathy Chandler-Henry reports back with. Stephen emailed over the requirements from CBRT requirements for obtaining a seat. 4

STAR Update- denyse says we can contract technical assistant, or go through nrcs; send forms to Stephen and denyse

VENCE Update-laura will reach out to bobbi-travel policy

Drought Fund Update-

WESTERN Slope soil health conference-

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

**NRCS Report:** state office-release bulletin on local work group meeting (June/July) NRCS and CD workgroup meeting- inform clients on resource concerns, where should people put their funding and time. How do we want to do it… personel- kirsten moved on to cal ext. open engineering position and program support specialist. Still working on resolution for budget (HR) Eagle river valley at 94% EQIP- 2 cover crop applications; over $5 mil in overall request. EQIP contract- incentivized improvements to property- new application;

**CSU Ext** Update:Garfield county; pesticide workshop; by march 9. Certification ; Retta -csu interns 1 or 2 interns more than in the contract; if not in Garfield county CSU will need to provide house

**Mail Review:**

**Next Meeting Date: March 9th, 2022**

**Adjourn: 8:11**

**Notes taken by: Laura Bohannon (District Manager)**