

**Edgewood Soil & Water Conservation District**  
**Board Meeting Minutes**  
**January 3, 2008**

**Call to Order**

Meeting Called to order by Bill King at 6:00 PM.

**Board Members in Attendance**

Lewis Fisher; Vice-Chair, Bill King; Secretary/Treasurer, Patty Ayre; Member, Mark Anaya; Member, Jo Bassett; Member and Jim Rea; Member

**Board Members Absent**

David King; Chairman

**Others Present**

Wayne Sleep; NRCS – District Conservationist, George Duda, Brenda Smythe; District Manager and Kelly Archuleta; Technician

**Agenda Approval**

Motion by Mark, second by Patty, motion carried.

**Minutes Approval**

Motion by Jo to approve the minutes of the 12/6/07 meeting, second by Mark, motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report**

Patty reviewed the Treasurer's Report. December's mill levy collection is up. She will pay the balance of \$4500 to Soilutions for our water harvesting system installed on our building. Jim Brooks has been very generous waiting on this payment.

NM State Land Office has not paid, but has been billed as of yesterday. Brenda will bill SLO for the second quarter.

Floyd Strattons' bill which was sent by Patty was returned. Brenda will send it to his to Stanley address.

**CNMCWMA**

Mark spoke to the board regarding the Central NM Cooperative Weed Management Meeting. A new GPS unit has been received, which is currently being used by Tom Perkins. The committee will not hold another meeting until March, which will be at the beginning of our next spray cycle.

The Professional Service Contract for Jan – Dec of 2008 for our Weed Coordinator; Tom Perkins, was approved by the committee, and was reviewed by the Edgewood SWCD for acceptance. Bill King signed Contract.

152 acres of Russian Knapweed on County Roads was sprayed by Jeff Chavez of the NM DOT - Moriarty District.

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**Water Trust Board**

The WTB Sub-Committee is supposed to meet sometime this month however no notice has been received as of today.

Staff understands that if East Torrance SWCD does not accept the roles and rules soon, Claunch-Pinto and Edgewood will continue without them.

According to Wayne Sleep, East Torrance SWCD is willing to move forward if a plan is submitted to them in writing from Claunch-Pinto SWCD. Art and Brent have come to a verbal agreement however a written agreement is still pending.

**EBWPC**

Jim spoke to the board regarding the EBWPC. The committee is still waiting on Bob Ayre's resume, which Jim Rea hopes he will still submit. No activity on the updating of the water plan has been done. This plan is supposed to be out for public comment in the next two months.

The Small Business Assistance program, which is supported by Sandia National Labs, (David Chase) has succeeded in receiving 75K from the Small Business Assistance Grant. He reports to the EBWPC to update on this activity.

**New Business**

Two contracts within the Edgewood SWCD for this year's Environmental Quality Incentive Program are ready for review. Both were reviewed by Wayne Sleep. Contracts signed.

**Reports**

NMDA - Russ Bennet's report was reviewed by the board.

NRCS – Wayne Sleep reviewed his report. The Farm Bill specialist position will not be filled until a decision is made on who is running the program.

Administrative Report given by Brenda – see report

Technical Report given by Kelly – see report

**Correspondence**

NMSF is requesting support for the 2008 Forestry Camp. Following discussion, the board would like more information regarding the costs, etc., and someone from NMSF to attend the next meeting before making a decision.

John Weckerle is requesting before/after photos to be placed on the Bio Mass web site. Following discussion, the board would like Brenda to refer John to Lawrence or Todd at the NMSF.

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**Other Business**

Jo spoke to the board regarding the NACD Conference. Bill motioned to approve payment for staff and/or board member to attend this Conference, second by Jim, motion carried.

George Duda reported that the Society of Western Foresters met last month. The fire in Mountainair was discussed. Every fire behavior pattern was broken during this fire. Too dry, the winds were very high, lots of ladder fuel, etc.

Motion to adjourn by Jo at 7:12 PM

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Bill King, Secretary/Treasurer