

EDGEWOOD SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

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Board Meeting Minutes

July 6, 2006

The Edgewood SWCD regular board meeting was held on July 6, 2006 at the District Office, which is located at 1943 Route 66, Suite E, Edgewood, NM.

MEMBERS PRESENT

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

MEMBERS ABSENT

OTHERS PRESENT

Martin Hibbs; Building Project Manager, Kelly Archuleta; Technician, Brenda Smythe; Manager, Gene Kamerzell; Consultant, Mona Kamerzell, Cheri Lujan, East Torrance SWCD and Wayne Sleep; NRCS Estancia FO

AGENDA APPROVAL

Jo motioned for approval of the agenda as amended, second by Mark, motion carried.

MEETING MINUTES APPROVAL

Minutes of the June board meeting were reviewed. Following review, Bill motioned minutes, second by Jim, motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer's Report presented by Pat Ayre.

REPORTS

See attached staff reports.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Jim spoke to the board regarding the wrong 1099's that were sent by Dee Tarr to landowners who participated in the WTB grant. Jim and David will write a letter to Dee to send corrected 1099s to each landowner.

OLD BUSINESS

Elizabeth Prosapio from the San Pedro Association was unable to attend tonight and has asked to be placed on the August agenda.

The Salt Cedar Demo Site has been complete. The sign will be erected in the next few weeks. Additional funding will be sought to control the rest of the infestation.

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NEW BUSINESS

To date, there are over \$90,000 in requests for cost-share funding, with an additional \$25,000 carryover from the 2005 – 2006 fiscal year that have already been approved. Looking at the current budget the board ruled that the original \$50,000 allocation will remain for this fiscal year. The budget and cost-share committees will meet before the next meeting to discuss this further. Staff will use their newly developed ranking sheet, and will have all applications ready for cost-share committee review and approval.

Wayne spoke to the board regarding this year's Local Work Group Meeting. Edgewood SWCD will chair this meeting, and East Torrance SWCD will record the minutes. The board would like to hold it either on August 18th or August 25th at 2:00 PM. Wayne and Cheri will collaborate with East Torrance SWCD and will let Brenda know. Brenda will send notices.

The board discussed re-organization. Pat motioned that the Edgewood SWCD keep the current slate of officers, second by Mark, motion carried.

Jim spoke to the board regarding the Water Trust Board. A letter is ready for David's signature to be sent from the Edgewood SWCD to Philipe Lovato regarding the incorrect 1099's. A letter will also be sent by Linda Rea, who is a CPA. This letter will be copied to Marsha Wright; NMDA and East Torrance SWCD. The WTB has not had a meeting since late January, and our monitoring program is at a complete halt. Following further discussion, the board wants Jim to request that a written audit report be given to Edgewood SWCD. Since Edgewood SWCD is the "lead" for the Monitoring Program, the board wants all responsibility to come through Edgewood SWCD. The board understands that this will require some time from staff. Jim, Kelly and Brenda have been attending the WTB meetings, and Jim would like to see this remain in effect. Staff was made aware some time ago, that there would be additional funds for the three districts, but Dee has made no effort to inform either the East Torrance or Edgewood staff of these extra funds, but is attending outside meetings on our behalf. Staff from Edgewood SWCD will attend these meetings from now on as well.

Gene spoke to the board regarding a replacement planting at the Senior Citizens Center. They need 33 5-gallon pine trees. Brenda can order these for about \$330. Jo motioned that the District purchase these, second by Pat, motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

Lindsay Jaramillo sent a thank you letter to the board for their \$500 scholarship. She will be attending NM State University this fall.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Jim motioned to enter Executive Session to discuss Personnel issues, second by Jo, motion carried.

Roll Call:

David King - Yes
Bill King – Yes
Lewis Fisher – Yes
Pat Ayre - Yes
Jo Bassett - Yes
Jim Rea - Yes
Mark Anaya – Yes

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Pat motioned to exit Executive Session, second by Jo, motion carried.

Roll Call:

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The building committee reviewed three proposals. The board unanimously accepted the proposal from Shiver Construction. Marty will send Shiver a letter to proceed. Brenda will notify the other contractors and let them know they were not chosen. The contract between Shiver and Edgewood SWCD was signed by David.

The Personnel Committee met Wednesday, June 28 at 9:00 AM. Kelly and Brenda reported on activities from July 2005 – June 2006. David completed Kelly and Brenda's performance review. Both received great reviews. Following discussion, Bill motioned that Kelly, Brenda, Pat and Gene all received a 3% salary increase, second by Jo, motion carried. Brenda and Kelly's reviews were signed.

NEXT BOARD MEETING

The next meeting will be held on July 6th at 6:00 PM

Mark motioned for adjournment, second by Jo, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:40 PM.

Bill King, Secretary / Treasurer