

EDGEWOOD SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

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Board Meeting Minutes

June 7, 2007

The Edgewood Soil & Water Conservation District (SWCD) regular board meeting was held on Thursday, June 7th at the District Office, which is located at 2506 Route 66 in Moriarty.

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order by David King, Chairman at 6:00 PM.

MEMBERS PRESENT

David King; Chairman, Bill King; Secretary/Treasurer, Mark Anaya; Member, Patricia Ayre; Member, and Jo Bassett, Member

MEMBERS ABSENT

Lewis Fisher, Vice-Chair and Jim Rea; Member

OTHERS PRESENT

Wayne Sleep; NRCS District Conservationist, Jim Berlier; East Torrance SWCD Chair, Cheri Lujan; East Torrance Manager, Russ Bennett; NMDA S&W Specialist, Kelly Archuleta; Technician, and Brenda Smythe; Manager

AGENDA APPROVAL

Bill motioned for approval of the agenda, second by Mark, motion carried.

MEETING MINUTES APPROVAL

Minutes of the May meeting were reviewed. Following review, Bill motioned for approval of the minutes, second by Jo, motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Treasurer's Report presented by Patricia Ayre. Patty spoke to the board regarding the small money market account in the amount of \$2502.29. This account is bringing in about \$4 in interest, and the bank is charging us \$3.63 in service fees. A motion to close this account and transfer the funds into the checking account was made by Jo, second by Mark, motion carried.

Motion by Bill to accept the financial report as presented, second by Mark, motion carried.

BUILDING UPDATE

Marty Hibbs has written a letter to Shiver Construction regarding the final punch list work that needs to be fixed and/or completed. Also still not received from Shiver Construction are the Operation & Maintenance Manuals, Certificate of Inspection for Dirt Compaction, Warrantee Certificates, and other documents. A list of these items and punch list was given to each board member. Marty and Brenda will continue to work on this.

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NEW BUSINESS

The board discussed the Appointed Supervisors. Following discussion, Bill motioned that Edgewood SWCD re-appoint David King in Position 6 and Patricia Ayre in Position 7, second by Jo, motion carried. Brenda will submit to the Soil & Water Commission.

Wayne Sleep, Estancia NRCS discussed changing our Farm Bill Specialist, Kenneth Lujan to a higher grade. Following discussion, Patty motioned to write a letter to Hollis Fuchs and Troy Hood stating Edgewood SWCD's support of this change, second by Jo, motion carried. Brenda will write this letter.

Brenda spoke to the board regarding the Noxious Weed Short Course which will be held the week of July 23rd in Farmington, NM. The Central NM Cooperative Weed Management Area (CNMCWMA) will cover the registration fee for staff to attend, if the district will cover the room cost. Following discussion, Jo motioned that Brenda and Kelly attend this Short Course, second by Bill, motion carried.

The Region II Meeting will be held on June 11th and the Summer Meeting will be held in Ruidoso on July 10th & 11th. Jo motioned that the board cover expenses for all members and staff that wish to attend these meetings, second by Patty, motion carried.

Wayne spoke to the board regarding this year's Local Work Group. It should be held late July or early August. Edgewood SWCD will host and take minutes this year, since they are in their new building. Wayne will work with Brenda to set the date for this meeting. He also introduced Gretchen Adams, the new STEP employee for NRCS.

CORRESPONDENCE

No correspondence was brought forward.

REPORTS

Administrative, Technical and Supporting Staff Reports given in hard copy. (See attached reports)

Brenda spoke to the board regarding the 2007-2008 applications. Staff has reviewed and ranked all 32 new applications. Using the new ranking sheet, 12 of the 32 have ranked in, totaling \$35,000 in cost-share assistance. Staff is recommending approval of these 12 applications. Bill motioned to fund the 12 applications that have been recommended by staff, second by Mark, motion carried.

Bill spoke to the board regarding the last Water Trust Board committee meeting. Claunch-Pinto SWCD has made some changes to the steering committee by adding additional members, and changing the roles and responsibilities of the committee. The Edgewood SWCD board agreed that Claunch-Pinto SWCD alone cannot make these changes. However, the board will not make any decisions regarding this grant until following the State Water Trust Board Meeting on June 27th. The waiver of the loan component will be requested. David encouraged every board member and staff member to attend this meeting.

NEXT BOARD MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, July 5, 2007 at 6:00 PM. Jo motioned for adjournment, second by Bill, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:25 PM.