Edgewood Soil & Water Conservation District Board Meeting Minutes October 7, 2010

Call to Order

Meeting called to order by Vice-Chair; Lewis Fisher at 6:00 PM

Board Members in Attendance

Lewis Fisher; Vice-Chair, Bill King; Secretary/Treasurer, Juan Sanchez; Member, Leo Smith; Member and Patricia Ayre; Member

Board Members Absent & Excused

David King; Chair, and Mark Anaya; Member

Others Present

Jose Varela Lopez, Lisa Dennisson; Farm Bill Specialist, George Duda, Kelly Smith; District Technician and Brenda Smythe; District Manager

Approval of Agenda

Pat motioned for approval of the agenda, second by Leo, motion carried.

Approval of Minutes

Lewis motioned for approval of the September meeting minutes, second by Leo, motion carried.

Treasurer Report

Brenda reviewed the Treasurer's Report. Following review, Leo motioned for approval, second by Pat, motion carried.

<u>Guests</u> Jose Varela Lopez spoke to the board regarding the Soil & Water Commission's initiatives.

<u>Reports</u> <u>Administrative / Technical Staff</u> See Report

NRCS ~ P. Montoya; District Conservationist - Acting Lisa Dennisson; FB Specialist reported on the Field Office EQIP projects.

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Not in attendance.

<u>NMDA</u> Report reviewed by Brenda.

<u>FSA</u> Not in attendance

Old Business

Audit Status

The final audits were reviewed, page 35 of the 2007 Audit shows we were (758,874) for travel. This is incorrect, and should be labeled Capital Outlay. Brenda will contact Farley Vener to correct this mistake.

Future audits will be discussed after this item has been corrected.

Letter to EBWPC

Staff reported that the Estancia Basin Water Planning Committee held a Public Meeting for concerns within the Estancia Basin Area along with the Office of the State Engineer and East Torrance SWCD. Neither the Edgewood or Claunch-Pinto Districts were involved with this meeting, and the EBWPC covers the three districts, all should have been included. Leo motioned that a letter be sent to the EBWPC Chair voicing our concerns, second by Juan, motion carried.

Reponses regarding NMACD Support within Region II

Letters were received from Santa Fe/Pojoaque and East Torrance SWCDs regarding their support of NMACD. See attached responses.

New Business

Edgewood SWCD status regarding NMACD

Discussion was held regarding Edgewood's status with NMACD. Following discussion, Leo motioned to officially withdraw from NMACD. Motion died for lack of second. The board tabled further action until next board meeting.

Building Usage Request

Staff has 2 requests for building usage. Once again, the board agreed usage of the building is to remain for governmental entities only.

Public Comment

George Duda reported that the Think Trees Conference will be held early February in Albuquerque.

Next Board Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, November 4, 2010.

Adjournment

Motion for meeting adjournment at 7:20 PM by Leo.

Bill King, Secretary/Treasurer