

# Edgewood Soil & Water Conservation District

## Board Meeting Minutes

### April 3, 2013

#### Call to Order

Meeting called to order by Chairman; David King at 10:00 AM.

#### Board Members in Attendance

David King; Chair, Lewis Fisher; Vice-Chair, Bill King; Secretary/Treasurer, Mark Anaya; Member, and Leo Smith; Member

#### Board Members Absent & Excused

Juan Sanchez; Member and Art Swenka; Member

#### Others Present

Josh Archuleta; USDA NRCS District Conservationist, Joy Ansley; Torrance County Manager, Kelly Smith; District Technician and Brenda Smythe; District Manager

#### Approval of Agenda

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

#### Approval of Minutes

Bill motioned for approval of the March meeting minutes, second by Mark, motion carried.

#### Treasurer Report

Brenda reviewed the Treasurer's Report. Bill questioned if ESWCD should keep such a high balance in the checking account. A budget committee and cost-share committee meeting will be held prior to the next board meeting. The budget committee will make their recommendations during the next meeting.

#### Guest

Joy Ansley; Torrance County Manager was in attendance to speak to the board about the updated request for Fire Station 5. Last month the board approved the purchase of 145 trees and weed fabric for the Station. However, Torrance County has an additional request for water harvesting system (similar to the Torreon Fire Department) and a drip irrigation system. Following discussion, Leo motioned that the additional request be funded up to \$20,000, motion seconded by Mark, motion carried.

#### **The following stipulations to this project are:**

1. ESWCD Staff will design and estimate cost
2. TC/Fire Station 5 will follow ESWCD design
3. TC/Fire Station 5 will be responsible for installation of system
4. TC/Fire Station 5 will be responsible for all maintenance of system
5. This approval is pending Torrance County's match of 25%.

## **Reports**

### **NMDA**

Report reviewed by Katie Mechenbier. See Report

### **Administrative / Technical Report**

Report reviewed by staff. See Report

## **Old Business**

### **2013 Election**

The 2013 Election has been cancelled due to failure of additional candidates declaring for candidacy. Cancellation notice was inserted in the local paper, and sent to NMDA.

## **New Business**

### **2013 Cost-Share Program**

Due to rough economic times, staff spoke to the board regarding increasing the percentage rate reimbursed to landowners from 50% to 75% for the 2013 season. Following discussion, Lewis motioned that the cost-share rate be increased to 75% for this season, motion seconded by Leo, motion carried.

### **Mill Levy Resolution**

The 2014 Mill Levy Resolution was discussed. Motion by Art Swenka to approve the Mill Levy Resolution, motion seconded by Juan Sanchez, motion carried. Roll Call vote was held:

David King – yea

Lewis Fisher – yea

Bill King – yea

Mark Anaya – yea

Art Swenka – absent

Leo Smith – yea

Juan Sanchez – absent

### **Next Board Meeting**

The Budget Committee (David/Bill/Art) will meet on Tuesday, May 7<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 AM.

The Cost-Share Committee (David/Leo/Mark) will meet on Tuesday, May 7<sup>th</sup> at 9:15 AM.

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 7<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 AM.

### **Adjournment**

Leo motioned for meeting adjournment at 10:55 AM.

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Bill King, Secretary/Treasurer