

Edgewood Soil & Water Conservation District
Board Meeting Minutes
November 15, 2012

Call to Order

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

Board Members in Attendance

David King; Chair, Bill King; Treasurer, Mark Anaya; Member Lewis Fisher; Vice-Chair, Leo Smith; Member Art Swenka; Member

Board Members Absent & Excused

Juan Sanchez; Member

Others Present

Josh Sherman; NRCS Acting District Conservationist, Lisa Dennisson; NRCS Soil Technician, Steve Kadas; NRCS, Tom Perkins; NM State Land Office, Herb ????, Landowner, Brenda Smythe; District Manager, and Kelly Smith; District Technician

Approval of Agenda

Leo motioned for approval of the agenda, motion seconded by Art, motion carried.

Approval of Minutes

Minutes of the October Board Meeting were reviewed. Bill motioned to accept the minutes as presented, seconded by Art, motion carried.

Treasurer Report

Brenda reviewed the Treasurer's Report. Art motioned for approval of the report as presented, seconded by Leo, motion carried.

Reports

Administrative / Technical Staff – See Report

NRCS ~ Josh Sherman; Acting DC – See Report

Estancia Basin Watershed Health & Restoration

The EBWH&R Project was discussed. As of today, no money has been allocated by Water Trust Board.

NMCCD

David reported on the NMCCD Annual Meeting. NMCCD held elections for Vice-President, Central Region and Southern Region Representatives. Aubrey Dunn was re-elected as Vice-President, Richard Shovelin was re-elected as Southern Region Rep. and Leo Smith was elected as Central Rep.

NMDA

Written Report Reviewed

Old Business

Audit

The audit should be completed by December.

New Business

NMCCD Questionnaire

The NMCCD Questionnaire which was sent by Kim Kostelnick was reviewed.

Moriarty School Xeriscaping Project

The Moriarty High School has requested assistance for a xeric planting/decorative landscape rock area in front of their gym. Following discussion, Lewis motioned to fund the special project up to \$3500, motion seconded by Art, motion carried.

NACD Annual Conference

The 2013 NACD Conference will be held in San Antonio, TX January 27th – 30th. Any board member or staff members who wish to attend need to let Brenda know by the end of December.

Cost-Share Program Sign-Up Period

Staff spoke to the board regarding requests from landowners that we have an “open sign-up period” for our cost-share program. Discussion was held on the pros and cons of changing our current guidelines. Motion was made by Lewis to keep the existing guidelines, motion seconded by Art, motion carried.

Request for Cost-Share

A new request has been submitted, however the board is unable to accept the application since the project site is within the city limits and therefore not eligible for our cost-share program.

Ag in the Classroom Sponsorship

NM Ag in the Classroom is requesting sponsorship. Following discussion, Bill motioned to sponsor the program with \$100, motion seconded by Art, motion carried.

Correspondence

Correspondence was given to each board member.

Public Comment

Next Board Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, September 6, 2012.

Adjournment

Motion made by Bill for meeting adjournment at 11:45 AM.

Bill King, Secretary/Treasurer