

Edgewood Soil & Water Conservation District

Board Meeting Minutes

July 12, 2018

Call to Order

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

Board Members in Attendance

David King; Chair, Mark Anaya; Member, Juan Sanchez; Member, Art Swenka; Member, Bill Williams; Member, and Christina Allday-Bondy; Associate Member

Board Members Absent & Excused

Bill King; Secretary/Treasurer, Lewis Fisher; Vice-Chair and Mark Dixon, Associate Member

Others Present

Brenda Smythe; District Manager, Kelly Smith; Technician, Anthony Parra; NMDA, Julie Maitland; NMDA SLO, Katie Mechenbier; NMDA, and Kenneth Lujan; NRCS Estancia FO District Conservationist

Approval of Agenda

Art Swenka motioned for approval of the Agenda, motion second by Juan Sanchez, motion carried.

Approval of Minutes

Minutes of the June meeting were reviewed. Motion made by Art Swenka to approve the minutes with the correction of "400 listeners on an average quarter hour" under the KXNM Radio Report, motion seconded by Juan Sanchez, motion carried.

Treasurer Report

Brenda presented the Treasurer's Report. Art Swenka motioned for approval of the Treasurer's Report as presented, motion second by Bill Williams, motion carried.

The 2017-2018 4th Quarter Report & Resolution were reviewed. Motion to approve the report and resolution made by Art Swenka, motion second by Juan Sanchez, motion carried.

Roll Call Vote:

David King – yea

Lewis Fisher – absent

Bill King – absent

Art Swenka – yea

Bill Williams – yea

Mark Anaya – yea

Juan Sanchez - yea

REPORTS

Staff Report

Brenda reviewed the staff report. **(See Full Report)**

NMDA REPORT

Katie reviewed the NMDA Report. **(See Report)**

SLO REPORT

Not in attendance.

NRCS Report

Kenneth Lujan; Estancia Field Office – District Conservationist reviewed the report. **(See Report)**

Farm Bill Report

Christina presented the Farm Bill Report **(See Report)**

NM Coalition of Conservation Districts

David King; NMCCD Chair reported that the Coalition is continuing to assist districts' with their Land Use Planning.

Estancia Basin Water Planning Committee

No meeting held.

Estancia Basin Watershed Health & Restoration

The next funding cycle for the Estancia Basin Watershed Health, Restoration and Monitoring Project should begin soon. Our next meeting will be held on July 18, 2018 at the Estancia USDA Service Center. Allocations for each SWCD should be established during this meeting.

EMWTW

Art Swenka reported the person that was assisting the EMWTW from Rural Development has been promoted, so some paperwork needs to be started over.

KXNM 88.7 Radio

Art Swenka reported that Sponsorship is good, and Neilson Ratings show the radio station with an average of 400 listeners on an average quarter hour. KXNM has a new "wellness" program which will run a few times a week.

EBRA

Art Swenka reported that Ted Barela is the new President and Bob Stearly is the new Treasurer, and Art is remaining on the board. The next meeting will be in November.

Water Resources Board

Art and Brenda continue to attend the quarterly Water Resources Board meetings in Albuquerque. Brenda along with Elaine Hebard (Middle Rio Grande Water Assembly), Bart Faris (City of Albuquerque) and Don Lopez (Village of Los Ranchos) are members of the WRB-Water Resource Database Committee. This committee plan is to Develop and maintain a Water Resource database to store the 2004 and 2017 Regional Water Plans (RWP). There was discussion to develop a regional water budget would enable us to monitor our water, and communicated the need for changes, should such arise.

Mountainair RD

No Report

Sandia RD

No Report

OLD BUSINESS

South Mountain Access

David King, Brenda and Kelly will meet again with Attorney; Matthew McQueen to discuss our options for a Conservation Easement. No further information has been received. Discussion tabled.

Edgewood SWCD Boundaries

Staff and board members are currently reviewing the boundaries.

2018-2019 Final Budget & Resolution

The 2018-2019 Final Budget was reviewed. Motion to approve the 2018-2019 Budget made by Art, motion second by Mark, motion carried.

Roll Call Vote:

David King – yea

Lewis Fisher – absent

Art Swenka – yea

Bill Williams – yea

Mark Anaya – yea

Bill King – absent

Juan Sanchez - yea

NEW BUSINESS

SWCC Meeting

Juan Sanchez, representing Chilili Land Grant, Mark Dixon; representing the Pueblo of Isleta and Brenda attended the last Soil & Water Commission Meeting. The Commission passed the annexation of the Pueblo of Isleta portion from Valencia SWCD into the Edgewood SWCD. The Commission however, did not pass the mapping issue, showing the entire Chilili Land Grant within the Edgewood SWCD boundaries. Chilili Land Grant has presented a Resolution stating maintaining the entire Grant in the Edgewood SWCD.

The Commission stated that Edgewood SWCD, Chilili Land Grant, Torrance County Assessor's Office, and Bernalillo County Assessor's Office will meet with NMDA to discuss this further to prove that the said area is in fact in Edgewood's boundaries.

Following this meeting, NMDA will assist Edgewood SWCD on a Resolution to move forward for the next Commission Meeting.

Next Board Meeting

The next regular board meeting will be held on August 9, 2018 at 10:00 AM.

Adjournment

Motion for meeting adjournment at 12:45 AM by Art Swenka, motion seconded by Bill Williams, motion carried.

Bill King, Secretary/Treasurer