

Edgewood Soil & Water Conservation District
Board Meeting Minutes
April 4, 2019

Call to Order

Meeting called to order by Chairman; David King at 10:30 AM.

Board Members in Attendance

David King; Chair, Lewis Fisher; Vice-Chair, Juan Sanchez; Member, Art Swenka; Member, and Christina Allday-Bondy; Associate Member

Board Members Absent & Excused

Bill King; Secretary/Treasurer, Bill Williams; Member, Mark Anaya; Member, and Mark Dixon, Associate Member

Others Present

Brenda Smythe; District Manager, Kelly Smith; Technician, Chas Robles; Ancestral Lands, Katie Mechenbier; NMDA, Josh Archuleta; NRCS Estancia FO

Approval of Agenda

Lewis motioned for approval of the Agenda with amendment to move add Guest Chas Robles to the top of the agenda, motion second by Juan, motion carried.

Approval of Minutes

Minutes of the March meeting were reviewed. Motion made by Juan Sanchez to approve the March minutes, motion seconded by Art Swenka, motion carried.

Treasurer Report

Brenda Smythe presented the Treasurer's Report. Juan motioned for approval of the Treasurer's Report as presented, motion second by Lewis, motion carried.

GUESTS

Chas Robles; Ancestral Lands Program Director spoke to the board about the program. The Ancestral Lands Program is rooted in the culture and heritage of local tribal communities. The power and impact of Ancestral Lands programming is due to the community investment and support for each program tribally and locally, combined with the network of operational support from Conservation Legacy. To date there are 17 different Ancestral Lands programs operating both nationally and on the local level.

REPORTS

District Staff Report

Brenda reviewed the District Staff Report. **(See Report)**

Precipitation Report

No report this month.

NMDA REPORT

The board reviewed the NMDA report. **(See Report)**

SLO REPORT

No Report

NRCS Report

Josh Archuleta reviewed the NRCS report. **(See Report)**

Estancia Basin Water Planning Committee

No Report

Estancia Basin Watershed Health & Restoration

Projects have begun.

EMWT Water

No Report

KXNM 88.7 Radio

No Report

EBRA

No Report.

Water Resources Board

No Report

Sandia RD and Mountainair RD

Brenda reported the Cibola National Forest and National Grasslands (Cibola) is revising its 1985 Land and Resource Management Plan for the Sandia, Mountainair, Magdalena, and Mt. Taylor Ranger Districts. Currently, the Cibola's draft plan and DEIS are available for public preview. The draft plan and associated draft environmental impact statement (DEIS) are scheduled to be released in June for public comment with a 90-day formal comment period.

OLD BUSINESS

Survey/Easement of South Mountain

Discussion tabled.

South Mountain Access

Discussion tabled.

Edgewood SWCD Boundaries

Edgewood SWCD is still waiting on the resolution from East Torrance SWCD which is necessary to proceed at the next Commission meeting. Discussion tabled.

Capital Outlay Requests

Brenda submitted two Capital Outlay Requests for 2019 to Rep. Matthew McQueen, Rep. Tomas Salazar, Rep. Gregg Schmedes, Senator Liz Stefanics, and Senator James White for \$200,000 for building renovations, and \$60,000 for a Greenhouse (Edgewood Seed & Garden Coop). All Legislators have it on their "master list". We were allocated \$50,000 for building renovations. The Greenhouse was not funded.

Boundary Modification – Ciudad SWCD

The boundary modification requested for the northeast portion of the Ciudad SWCD to be annexed into the Edgewood SWCD was approved in the January meeting. We are waiting to hear from Ciudad SWCD for further information.

NEW BUSINESS

2019-2020 Cost-Share Program

The board agreed that \$65,000 would be set aside for the 2019-2020 Cost Share Program. Application deadline is May 24, 2019.

Public Comment

None

Next Board Meeting

May 2, 2019 at 10:00 AM.

Adjournment

Motion for meeting adjournment at 11:20 AM by Art Swenka, motion seconded by Juan Sanchez, motion carried.

Bill King, Secretary/Treasurer