

# Edgewood Soil & Water Conservation District

## Board Meeting Minutes

### April 6, 2023

#### Call to Order

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

#### Board Members in Attendance In Person & Via Teleconference

David King; Chair, Lewis Fisher; Vice-Chair, Juan Sanchez; Member Bill Williams; Member, and Jim Frost; Member

#### Board Members Absent & Excused

Bill King; Secretary/Treasurer and Mark Anaya; Member

#### Others Present

Brenda Smythe; District Manager, Ian Dolly; NM State Land Office, Katie Mechenbier; NMDA Specialist, Kenneth Lujan; NRCS District Conservationist and Danielle Johnston; Landowner/Torrance County Planning & Zoning

#### Approval of Agenda

Juan Sanchez motioned to move the South Mountain to the Executive Session due to possible litigation. Motion second by Jim Frost as amended.

#### Approval of Minutes

The March board meeting minutes were reviewed. Jim Frost motioned for approval of the minutes. Motion second by Bill Williams, motion carried.

#### Treasurer Report

Bil Williams motioned for approval Treasurer's Report. Motion second by Juan Sanchez, motion carried.

### REPORTS

#### Administrative/Technical Report

Brenda Smythe presented the Administrative and Technical Staff Report.

#### NMDA Report

Katie reviewed the NMDA Report.

#### NRCS Report

Ken reviewed the NRCS Report.

#### State Land Office

Ian reviewed the State Land Office Report

#### NMCCD Report

No Report

**USFS Report**

No Report.

**Precipitation Report**

Lewis reported that Stanley received 2” of rain in March with a total of 11” of rain last year.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**BLM Thinning Project**

The BLM project is almost complete. Awaiting the administrative fees. Three payments have been made.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Mill Levy Resolution**

The Mill Levy resolution was reviewed. Following discussion, a motion to approve the Mill Levy resolution was made by Lewis Fisher and second by Juan Sanchez. Roll Call Vote as follows:

David King, Chair	yea
Lewis Fisher, Vice-Chair	yea
Bill King, Sec/Treasurer	Absent
Bill Williams, Member	yea
Mark Anaya, Member	Absent
Jim Frost, Member	yea
Juan Sanchez, Member	yea

**2023 – 2024 Cost Share Program**

Brenda spoke to the board regarding the 2023-2024 Cost Share Program. Following discussion, a motion to approve the cost share program was made by Juan Sanchez, motion second by Jim Frost, motion carried. The following is the cost share overview:

- Application for the 2023-2024 Cost-Share Program will be accepted until May 26, 2023.
  - 2023-2024 cost-share limits:
    - 85% of actual cost
    - Maximum of \$6000 reimbursement
    - \$75,000 limit (12-14 applications)
    - Application – April 17– May 26, 2023
    - Approval by board – June 2, 2023
    - Approved applications can begin July 1, 2024
    - Deadline for completion – June 21, 2024

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

Juan Sanchez motioned to enter Executive Session to discuss South Mountain and possible litigation as well as Personnel issues. Motion second by Jim Frost. Roll Call Vote as follows:

David King, Chair	yea
Lewis Fisher, Vice-Chair	yea
Bill King, Sec/Treasurer	Absent
Bill Williams, Member	yea
Mark Anaya, Member	Absent
Jim Frost, Member	yea
Juan Sanchez, Member	yea

Lewis Fisher motioned to exit Executive Session, motion second by Juan Sanchez. Roll Call Vote as follows:

David King, Chair	yea
Lewis Fisher, Vice-Chair	yea
Bill King, Sec/Treasurer	Absent
Bill Williams, Member	yea
Mark Anaya, Member	Absent
Jim Frost, Member	yea
Juan Sanchez, Member	yea

No action was taken while in Executive Session.

The South Mountain access issue was discussed. Attorney Ed Hollington is working with Santa Fe County District Attorney's office for the vacated easement issue. As of today, all defendants have submitted the signed disclaimer except for Judy Fry.

Staff salary increase was discussed. Juan Sanchez motioned to give staff a 6% salary increase. Motion seconded by Jim Frost; motion carried.

**Public Comment**

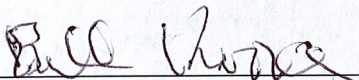
None

**Next Meeting**

The next regular meeting will be held on Thursday, May 4, 2023, at 10:00 AM.

**Adjournment**

Motion for meeting adjournment at 11:30 AM by Juan Sanchez motion seconded by Bill Williams, motion carried.

  
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Bill King, Secretary/Treasurer