

Edgewood Soil & Water Conservation District

Board Meeting Minutes

May 4, 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, Bill King; Secretary/Treasurer and Mark Anaya; Member, Juan Sanchez; Member and Jim Frost; Member

Board Members Absent & Excused

Bill Williams; Member

Others Present

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

Approval of Agenda

Bill King motioned to approve the Agenda. Motion second by Juan Sanchez, motion carried.

Approval of Minutes

The April board meeting minutes were reviewed. Jim Frost motioned for approval of the minutes. Motion second by Mark Anaya, motion carried.

Treasurer Report

Lewis Fisher motioned for approval of the Treasurer's Report. Motion second by Jim Frost, motion carried.

GUEST

Tom Dominguez; Santa Fe County Extension

Tom spoke to the board regarding programs and projects within the Santa Fe County Extension Office. He is available to partner with any projects or programs along with the Edgewood SWCD. Brenda will send an email to him and Kim Anaya, NM DOT to partner on the upcoming Public Pesticide Applicators class.

REPORTS

Administrative/Technical Report

Brenda Smythe presented the Administrative and Technical Staff Report.

NMDA Report

Brenda reviewed the NMDA Report.

NRCS Report

Ken reviewed the NRCS Report. The NRCS workload at the Estancia Field Office is very busy. Soil & Water assistance will be minimal.

State Land Office

No 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 complete. All payments have been made and the District’s administrative fees have been received.

South Mountain

All landowners have signed to vacate except Judy Fry. Attorney Ed Hollington is preparing for court.

2023 – 2024 Cost Share Program

The 2023-2024 Cost Share Program was approved in May. 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)

NEW BUSINESS

Chilili Land Grant Special Projects Request

Juan spoke to the board regarding a request for sediment removal from the pond in Chilili. Following discussion, the request was tabled for additional information.

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.



Bill King, Secretary/Treasurer