



Chaves Soil and Water Conservation District

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MINUTES

April 14, 2025

Conference Room – 129 E. Third

The meeting was also held via ZOOM for others to attend.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Carrie Hollifield, Joe Barraza, Michael Lackey & Cody Munson

MEMBERS ABSENT: Travis Wagner, John Sisk & Jerry Vaz

OTHERS PRESENT: Jennifer Pierce, Drew Garnett, Ty Carter, Rocky Gonzales, Katie Creighton in person, and Ashlie Carabajal via zoom.

Carrie called the meeting to order at 10:00 am, opening with a prayer.

Cody made a motion to approve the Agenda, Minutes & Financials (emailed previously), seconded by Joe, all in favor.

Reports

BLM- Ty reported they are working on fencing projects with CSWCD, and potential Salt Cedar projects with CSWCD. Right now, things are slower due to the federal freezes.

NMDA- Katie Creighton went over the previously submitted report WOTUS, NRCS watershed opportunities, NMISC Discussion, River Stewardship Program

NRCS – Rocky reviewed submitted report, and highlighted the water wells aquifer tests as updated.

NMSLO- absent

Chaves Extension- Drew was present and reported they are getting things prepped for county contest and explained the NMYRMC project.

Noxious Weed – N/A

District- Jennifer reviewed completed tasks and meetings, and upcoming events, as well as grant statuses for current grants in progress.

PVACD- absent

Open Discussion- Ashlie Carabajal discussed funding sources and IPP funding.

Correspondence

Purchase vouchers were dispersed to the board for review and signatures. No motion as it corresponds with Financial reports.

Society of Range Management event is 5/5 & 5/6
RFP extension was reviewed with chairman. No motion required.

Business

NMYRMC is in June, there are not any applicants yet for Chaves County, however Jennifer advocated for the program along with Drew. Joe made a motion to make a \$400.00 sponsorship toward the program, seconded by Cody, all in favor.

3rd ¼ budget and resolution were reviewed. Joe made a motion to approve the budget and resolution, seconded by Michael, all in favor.

Mill Levy resolution was reviewed by the board. Cody made a motion to accept the Mill Levy and resolution, seconded by Joe, all in favor.

Hagerman canal efforts are underway, Jennifer is attending conversations and meetings and awaiting to see if the grants applied for this effort will be awarded. No motion needed.

Cost share application for Tom Conlee was reviewed by the board for pipeline. All requirements are met at this time. Joe made a motion to approve the cost share application, seconded by Cody, all in favor.

Previously approved cost share application for the Sultemeier's was re addressed. The wrinkles and bubbles and such have been repaired and meet specs. Due to the ongoing issues with this application, Jennifer would like the final application for payment voted on. Michael made a motion to go ahead and pay the 50% cost share, Cody seconded the motion, all in favor.

The noxious weed coordinator position has been advertised for almost a month. Jennifer will be closing the application deadline on 4/28/25 to allow a few more resumes to be received before closing for reviews. No motion needed at this time.

Joe made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Cody seconded. Meeting adjourned at 11:20 am.

Submitted By:

Jennifer Pierce

Jennifer Pierce- District Manager