



SHAVANO CONSERVATION DISTRICT
102 Par Place, Suite 4, Montrose, CO 81401
MONTHLY BOARD MEETING
July 14, 2020
via Zoom virtual meeting

MEETING MINUTES

Present: Ken Lipton, Lanny Denham, Eddie Atencio, Roxi Stewart, Jack Brungardt, Michelle Malish, Penny Bishop/DM

Absent: Seth Urbanowitz/Ex. Officio, Jackie Kragel/NRCS

Others Present: Jerry Allen/SCD, Mendy Stewart/SCD

The meeting was called to order at 6:59 pm by President/Ken Lipton. A quorum was present. Lanny Denham led the Pledge of Allegiance.

No Additions to the Agenda were made.

The minutes from the June regular meeting was presented and reviewed by the Board.

- ❖ Roxi Stewart noted two misspelled words. Roxi Stewart moved to accept the June regular meeting minutes as presented. Eddie Atencio seconded the motion and it was carried.

NRCS Report

Jackie Kragel/NRCS was absent for the meeting and did not prepare a written report for the Board.

IWM Update

Jerry Allen presented the IWM update as prepared. See attached Exhibit "A". He also updated the Board on the Dam maintenance. He stated that the conditions on the dams were dry and at this point no weeds were present that needed to be addressed.

New & District Business

Review Final Draft of 2021 CSCB Matching Grant: Penny presented final draft of the Grant for approval which is due to be submitted by July 17, 2020. Board permission is needed to review and approve draft of Grant. A portion of the Grant will go towards the Western Colorado Soil Health Conference and the remaining to go towards Mendy Stewart's Education & Outreach Program.

- ❖ Lanny Denham moved to approve the application with revisions of the 2021 CSCB Matching Grant for \$20,396.00. Roxi Stewart seconded the motion and it was carried.

Review Final Draft of 2021 CSCB DCT Grant: Penny Bishop presented final draft of the Grant for approval which is due to be submitted by August 19, 2020. Board permission is needed to review and approve draft of Grant. The grant is for DCT technician salary and expenses related to payroll and will remain the same as last year's figures. Concerns regarding the remaining 25% match needed to fund this position were also discussed. Penny will follow up with any leads to secure the match funds.

- ❖ Lanny Denham moved to approve the CSCB DCT 2021 Re-Enrollment application as written. Roxi Stewart seconded the motion and it was carried.

Montrose BOCC Update on CSCB DCT Matching Funding Request: Ken Lipton updated the Board on the meeting he, Penny Bishop & John Miller/NRCS attended. He stated that he gave a presentation to the Board asking for funding to help support our DCT Technician. They were receptive but did not approve the funding yet. They did say they would take it into consideration. Ken will update the Board when Montrose BOCC makes a decision.

STAR Program Update: Ken Lipton updated the Board on his meetings that he had with the Colorado Coalition for Healthy Soils in which they are working on applying for a \$100,000 grant to get this program up in Colorado. The STAR program was funded but unfortunately the coalition could not raise the match. Therefore it is put off for at least a year.

Discussion to Incorporate San Miguel Basin Conservation District: Ken stated that there will be a fact finding meeting on Zoom on Thursday, 7/16/20 to discuss the incorporation with the San Miguel Basin Conservation District President and Manager, Nikki Brinson/CSCB Operations Manager, Alyssa Clarida/CSCB Regional Representative, Hilary Cooper/San Miguel County Commissioner, Penny Bishop/District Manager and Jackie Kragel/NRCS District Conservationist. He stated that it is going to be more detailed than what he had first thought and he invited the other Board members to attend. Ken will update at next meeting.

Discussion to Apply for Line of Credit: Penny Bishop updated the Board on SCD trying to secure a Line of Credit. She stated that she checked with the Company that holds our Trust Account and they are not a bank and do not offer this service. She checked with the Bank that currently houses SCD's accounts and updated the Board on terms. She also checked with another local Bank that was suggested by Board member and gave terms from that Bank also. The Board decided to not pursue a Line of Credit at this time.

Shavano Building and Equipment/Routing Report

Penny Bishop presented the Shavano Building & Equipment report as prepared. See attached Exhibit "C".

Penny Bishop updated the Board on the sale proceedings of the Districts John Deere Scraper. Penny Bishop advised the Board that she has advertised the John Deere Scraper for sale via sealed bids with a clause that states the sale is subject to Board Approval in the Montrose Daily Press. She will also advertise the equipment on Craigslist, the SCD website and SCD's Facebook site.

Financials

The financial reports, accounts receivable, and accounts payable from June were presented to and reviewed by the Board. Roxi Stewart, Secretary/Treasurer reviewed all financials and approved the Financials for June as submitted.

- ❖ Ed Atencio made a motion to approve the June's financials as presented. Jack Brungardt seconded the motion and it was carried.

Miscellaneous & Mail

Penny Bishop submitted letter from DOLA regarding Application for Exemption from Audit of the Shavano Conservation District. Application was approved by DOLA.

Being no further matters to discuss,

- ❖ Roxi Stewart moved to adjourn the meeting. Eddie Atencio seconded the motion and it was carried.

The meeting adjourned at 7:52 pm

The next meeting will be held on **Tuesday, August 11, 2020 at 7:00 pm** with the location to be determined at a later date as to whether it can be held in person at 102 Par Place, Montrose CO or if it will be held again on a virtual meeting platform.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ken Lipton, President

Roxi Stewart, Secretary/Treasurer