



# Center Conservation District

Center, CO 81125  
June 17, 2025  
Board Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 6:06 PM. Members and staff present were Brian Neufeld, Lynne Thompson, Sherry Haugen, Danny Neufeld, and Mattea Freel. Guests included Larry Brown and Casey Freel.

Sherry moved to approve the May minutes. Lynne seconded the motion and the motion carried.

## Reports

Danny moved to approve the financial report. Shawn seconded and the motion carried. Sherry moved to approve ratifying the bills. Lynne seconded and the motion carried.

There was no NRCS District Conservationist Report.

There was no Forest Service Report.

The CSU Agent Report included the upcoming Working the Llano Sin Agua workshop, CSU hired Angie Maestas as a part-time program assistant, the July 7<sup>th</sup> CSU meeting, there will be a COMET training at CPAC on 6/19, Madeline has 4 interns for revegetation and alternative crops projects, and the State 4-H Conference is this week.

The RGWCEI Report included a summary of Youth Conservation Camp.

The District Manager Report included the Landowner Weed Management Workshop, Master Irrigator's Field Day stop, office project updates, SLVWPP updates, grant writing, and Mini-Pivot Project and Revegetation Project updates.

## Unfinished Business

There was no unfinished business.

## New Business

The board discussed plans for the circle lease. Sherry mentioned having testing to gauge conservation (required soil tests, Haney test as a minimum, microbiome testing, organic matter test, water usage report, tillage techniques, soil chromatography, etc.). Soil tests should be performed consistently and annually. An annual report with all data should be required. The districts could pay for the soil test. The updated lease should reflect affordability, considering the water. Data should be requested for this year for consideration. Education should be a priority. Intensive/traditional tillage should be prohibited. A list of other unacceptable practices should be included.

Selling the 2013 RAM was discussed. CSU has some interest depending on the current condition and gas mileage. There are also two four-wheelers and chemicals that will need to be sold.

Ideas for the FY26 CSCB Matching Grant were discussed. Purchasing a puncturevine roller and performing educational demonstrations was the decision.

The next meeting will be held on July 21st at 6:00 PM.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:08 PM.