

Center Conservation District

Center, CO 81125 May 27, 2025 Board Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 7:33 PM. Members and staff present were Lynne Thompson, Sherry Haugen, Danny Neufeld, and Mattea Freel. Guests included Larry Brown, Adam Moore, and Hannah Thill.

Danny moved to approve the April minutes. Lynne seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Reports

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

The NRCS District Conservationist Report included RCPP and EQIP contract funding with about \$1.5 million going out Valley-wide.

The Forest Service Report included the Forest Health Report with information on insect infestations and treatment efforts via pheromone packets, helping with Conservation Camp, and a new intern started for the summer.

The CSU Agent Report included the Celebrating Aging Conference, the Homesteading Workshops throughout May, continuation with the Revegetation and Alternative Crops projects, a conference will be held in Antonito from July 11-12 about rangeland management and regenerative agriculture, the Antonito Coffee Break Project social event, upcoming COMET trainings, and the cull potato situation.

The RGWCEI Report included Conservation Camp updates, Centuari Field trip, and had the river trailer at Sangre and the Rio Trio.

The District Manager Report included SLVWPP updates, Mini-Pivot Project and Revegetation Project updates, finishing the CSHP rollout with producer reimbursements, RGWCEI projects, the upcoming Weed Management Workshop, and preparing for Conservation Camp.

Unfinished Business

There was no unfinished business.

New Business

The board discussed scholarships for Conservation Camp and Camp Rocky.

Danny moved to approve paying for the Saguache County campers' scholarships. Sherry seconded and the motion carried.

Sherry moved to approve the MOU with Mosca-Hooper CD. Lynne seconded and the motion carried.

Sherry moved to pay the 2025 CACD dues at \$1,400. Danny seconded and the motion carried.

Sherry moved to extend the operating loan for another 36 months. Lynne seconded and the motion carried.

The next meeting will be held on June 17th at 6:00 PM.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:28 PM.