

Center Conservation District

Center, CO 81125 September 4, 2024 Board Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 7:08 pm. Members and staff present were Shawn Beiriger, Sherry Haugen, Danny Neufeld, and Mattea Freel.

Shawn moved to approve the August minutes. Sherry seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Reports

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

There was no NRCS District Conservationist Report.

There was no CSFS Report.

There was no CSU Extension Report.

There was no RGWCEI Report.

Mattea gave the District Manager Report on the following topics: Fair week with the Watershed trailer, the Soil and Water Connection Workshop and Field Day, updates for the Wool Pellet Project, updates for the ASU Mini Pivot Project, CSHP updates, and upcoming participation at the Potato Festival.

Unfinished Business

The draft 2025 budget was presented and reviewed by the board.

Shawn motioned to approve the 2025 budget as presented. Sherry seconded the motion. The budget was open for public comment. The motion to approve the budget carried.

The board workshopped a resolution that will encourage NRCS to allow producers to plant native species in their ecosystems for well dry-ups as part of their cost-share programs.

New Business

The board reviewed the bylaws updates with the signed petition.

Sherry motioned to approve the bylaws updates as presented. Shawn seconded the motion. The bylaws updates were open for public comment. The motion to approve the bylaws updates carried.

The board discussed CSCB representative nominations for the Rio Grande Watershed.

Sherry motioned to nominate Brian Neufeld as the CSCB representative for the Rio Grande Watershed. Shawn seconded and the motion carried.

The board approved that Sherry Haugen attend the CACD Annual Meeting in December.

A soil health work session with the Saguache County Commissioners will be held at the USDA Service Center in Center on September 24th at 3:00 PM.

Future plans for the weed spraying program were discussed.

The next meeting will be held on October 17th at 5:00 PM.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:41 pm.