Spanish Peaks – Purgatoire River Conservation District

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

PRESIDED BY:
The meeting was called to order by President Bill Wilkinson at 12 p.m.
DATE: February 1, 2024

ROLL CALL:

BOARD MEMBERS

PRESENT: Bill Wilkinson, Doug Taylor, Tami Tamburelli, and Joey DeGarbo
District Employees: Keith Mantelli, Jonnalea Tortorelli, and Donna Albertson
NRCS: Sammie Molinaro

ABSENT: Karen Salapich, Robert Porter and Justin Malespini

GUESTS: Julie Knudsen

ROUTINE ITEMS:

MINUTES: Bill Wilkinson asked for approval of the minutes of the January 4, 2024, meeting. MOTION: Joey DeGarbo made a motion to approve the minutes. Tami Tamburelli seconded the motion.

VOTE: Those in favor:
Bill Wilkinson: Yes
Karen Salapich: Absent
Doug Taylor: Yes
Joey DeGarbo: Yes
Tami Tamburelli: Yes
Justin Malespini: Absent
Bob Porter: Absent
The motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT/APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORT: MOTION: Doug Taylor made a motion to accept the treasurer's report, pay the bills and salaries and approve transfer of funds. Joey DeGarbo seconded the motion.

VOTE: Those in favor:
Bill Wilkinson: Yes
Karen Salapich: Absent
Doug Taylor: Yes
Joey DeGarbo: Yes
Tami Tamburelli: Yes
Justin Malespini: Absent
Bob Porter: Absent
The motion carried.

RECORDING OF TIME/MILEAGE:

Bill Wilkinson	1
Karen Salapich	0
Doug Taylor	1
Tami Tamburelli	1
Justin Malespini	0
Joey DeGarbo	1
Bob Porter	0

OUTGOING CORRESPONDENCE:

INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE:

1. UACWMA Annual Meeting – To be held February 8th in Canon City. Donna Albertson asked the board if she could attend. Tami Tamburelli made a motion to pay $60 for registration for Donna and allow her to use the District truck to attend the meeting. Doug Taylor seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion carried.
2. CSP Meetings – Meetings are set for Walsenburg and Kim. Sammie said he would like to hold a CSP Meeting in Trinidad at the USDA Service Center. Sammie will pick a day and send out a flyer.

3. Arkansas River Basin Water Forum – The Forum will be held March 6 – 7 in La Junta. Sponsorships were requested. After discussion Joey DeGarbo made a motion to donate $100 if that sponsorship level is available. Doug Taylor seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion carried.

BUILDING REPORT:

1. City of Trinidad requirement of backflow prevention device installation – Jonnalea told the board that letter had been received from the city requiring the device to be installed and yearly inspections will be conducted. Jonnalea requested a list of licensed and approved plumbers from the city.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. 2024 SP-PRCD Matching Grant – Applications are currently being received. The deadline for applications is March 1st and applications will be ranked and approved at the March 7th meeting.
2. CD Annual Report – The annual report which is a optional report for CSCB in order to receive extra Direct Assistance funding is due on February 15th. Joey DeGarbo made a motion that the SP-PRCD file the annual report. Tami Tamburelli seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion carried.
3. Exemption from Audit form – The form is due March 31st. Dixon, Waller CPA has prepared the form in the past. The office is closing but Jonnalea was instructed by the board to contact Mike Dixon to see if he would be able to prepare this year.
4. Weed Tech. Updates – Donna reviewed her report with the board. Donna said that February 15th is the date for the CDA Grant announcement. Donna asked the board about where to service the bobcat. The Board instructed Donna to take the bobcat to Topar. Julie Knudsen told the board that she is impressed with the District Weed Program and how Donna runs the program and that PWP is in full support thereof.

OLD BUSINESS:
FROM THE BOARD:
LAS ANIMAS COUNTY PLANNING AND ZONING:
DISTRICT TECH. REPORT: The board reviewed Keith's January report.
NRCS REPORT: The board reviewed Sammie Molinaro's report. Sammie went over the MOU with the board. Joey DeGarbo made a motion to approve the agreement. Tami Tamburelli seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion carried. Sammie told the board that the Local Workgroup Meetings need to be held by July 31st this year. The board discussed having the LWG meeting in conjunction with the District's Annual Meeting again this year. The board set May 1st as the date for the Annual Meeting and more details will be decided at the next meeting. Sammie also told the board he will be working with Donna and Julie to hold a noxious weed workshop this spring.
EXECUTIVE SESSION: Joey DeGarbo made a motion to enter into Executive Session at 1:19pm. Doug Taylor seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion carried. Joey

DeGarbo made a motion to adjourn Executive Session at 1:25pm. Tami Tamburelli seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion carried.

Doug Taylor made a motion to approve a 5% salary increase for Keith, Donna and Jonnalea effective immediately. Tami Tamburelli seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion carried.

NEXT BOARD MEETING:

1. The next regular board meeting was scheduled for March 7, 2024, at 12 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT: Tami Tamburelli made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Doug Taylor seconded the motion. All were in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 1:26 pm.