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: May 2, 2024
ROLL CALL:
BOARD MEMBERS
PRESENT: Bill Wilkinson, Karen Salapich, Doug Taylor, Tami Tamburelli, Joey DeGarbo, and Bob Porter
District Employees: Keith Mantelli, Jonnalea Tortorelli, and Donna Albertson
NRCS: Sammie Molinaro
ABSENT:
GUESTS: Garth Schaefer

ROUTINE ITEMS:
MINUTES: Bill Wilkinson asked for approval of the minutes of the April 4, 2024, meeting. MOTION: Doug Taylor made a motion to approve the minutes. Tami Tamburelli seconded the motion.
VOTE: Those in favor:
Bill Wilkinson: Yes
Karen Salapich: Yes
Joey DeGarbo: Yes
Tami Tamburelli: Yes
Doug Taylor: Yes
Bob Porter: Yes
The motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT/APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORT: MOTION: Joey DeGarbo made a motion to accept the treasurer's report, pay the bills and salaries and approve transfer of funds. Karen Salapich seconded the motion.
VOTE: Those in favor:
Bill Wilkinson: Yes
Karen Salapich: Yes
Joey DeGarbo: Yes
Tami Tamburelli: Yes
Doug Taylor: Yes
Bob Porter: Yes
The motion carried.

RECORDING OF TIME/MILEAGE:

Bill Wilkinson	1
Karen Salapich	1
Doug Taylor	1
Tami Tamburelli	2 (1 Pueblo)
Joey DeGarbo	1
Bob Porter	1

BUILDING REPORT:

1. Parking lot repave – A bid had been received from Walsenburg Sand & Gravel. The board reviewed the bid. Tami Tamburelli has contacted another business that will be sending in a bid also.
2. Janitor position – Rianna Lynn has informally resigned from the janitor position. She is willing to stay on until someone else is found but prefers by the end of June. Jonnalea will work on getting bids for janitorial services for the next meeting.

OUTGOING CORRESPONDENCE:

INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Div. of Rec. notice on Mooney Hills gravel pit permit – The board reviewed the notice. Sammie Molinaro said he would look at the pit.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. CACD Dues – An invoice had been received from CACD for 2024 dues which are set at $1,400. After discussion, Joey DeGarbo made a motion to table the agenda item. Karen Salapich seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion carried.
2. Trinidad Water Festival – A request for sponsorship had been received from the Water Festival committee. Following discussion, Karen Salapich made a motion to donate $700 to the Trinidad Water Festival. Doug Taylor seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion carried.
3. Board Vacancy – The vacant Supervisor position was discussed. Several names were thrown out including Mike Dardanes, Wade Lissac, Cody Roberts and Randee DeCristino. The board decided to announce the vacancy at the Annual Meeting and then discuss further at the next meeting.
4. Donation in memory of Billie Adams – 2 fire departments were named for donations. The Spanish Peaks Fire Department and the Hoehne Fire Department. Joey DeGarbo made a motion to donate $250 to each fire department. Tami Tamburelli seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion carried.
5. Weed Tech. Updates – Donna reviewed her report with the board. Donna told the board that she had a discussion with Patty York from CDA concerning federal grant for African Rue. Through this grant Donna has understood that a CanAm with a spray unit would be purchased and would remain with the district after the grant it finished. She asked for the board's permission to go ahead and work with Patty York in applying for the grant. Tami Tamburelli made a motion to apply for the grant. Bob Porter seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion carried. Donna had several Noxious Weed Cost Share Program contracts to sign.
6. AgFest Donation – Bill Wilkinson reported to the board that AgFest had been cancelled. Lori Arnhold had bought incubators at the cost of $404.98. Bill asked the board if they wanted the remainder of the original $1,500 donation back or to hold it over for next year's AgFest? Tami Tamburelli made a motion to let CSU Ext. keep the funds for next year's AgFest. Bob Porter seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Annual Noxious Weed Workshop – The workshop is set for May 10 from 9am – 1pm. Sammie and Donna will be heading up the workshop which will be at Fisher's Peak State Park.
2. Meeting – The meeting is set for May 8th at Mt. Carmel from 6 – 8pm.

FROM THE BOARD: Tami Tamburelli had attended the UAWA meeting in Pueblo West. She reported to the board on the meeting.

LAS ANIMAS COUNTY PLANNING AND ZONING: May 6th meeting agenda was reviewed.

DISTRICT TECH. REPORT: The board reviewed Keith's April report.

NRCS REPORT: The board reviewed Sammie Molinaro's report. Sammie said that 27 applications have been received for CSP for Walsenburg and Trinidad. 11 EQIP applications have been received for the WaterSmart grant. CRP Grasslands sign up date was cancelled and new date is pending.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Garth Schaefer said that CSCB is working on updating by-laws and will be sending out to the Districts. He said CSCB is now fully staffed.

Julie Knudsen said that the State of the Purgatoire meeting had 60+ people.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

NEXT BOARD MEETING:

1. The next regular board meeting was scheduled for June 6, 2024, at 12 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT: Karen Salapich made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Doug Taylor seconded the motion. All were in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 1:30 pm.