

Socorro Soil & Water Conservation District 103 Francisco de Avondo, Socorro, NM 87801 July 12th, 2023 12:00 PM

Present: Chris Lopez, Vernon Leseberg, Lencho Vega, Will Kolbenschlag, Nyleen Troxel Stowe, and Dani Rivera.

The **meeting** was called to order at 12:00pm by Vice-chairman Chris Lopez.

The **agenda** passed on a motion by Lencho Vega and second by Vernon Leseberg.

The June 12th, 2023 minutes passed on a motion by Vernon Leseberg and second by Lencho Vega.

Items:

Financial:

Treasurer's Report and Voucher Payments: See attachments. This was approved as presented on a motion by Vernon Leseberg and second by Lencho Vega.

FY 2023 3rd **Quarter Budget Approval:** DFA has approved the 3rd quarter budget report. See attachment.

FY 2023 Budget Adjustment Request Resolution: See attachments. The Socorro SWCD needs to adjust our budget for FY 2023 due to an increase in property taxes. Our mill levy funding on current taxes is greater than estimated. The resolution was passed on a motion by Vernon Leseberg and a second by Lencho Vega. Roll call vote followed with all present voting in the affirmative

FY 4th Quarter Budget Report and Resolution: See attachments. The board reviewed these documents prior to the board meeting. This resolution was passed on a motion by Vernon Leseberg and second by Lencho Vega. Roll call vote followed with all present voting in the affirmative.

FY 2024 Budget and Resolution: See attachments. The board reviewed these documents prior to the meeting. Discussion was held on the amount for the cost share program this year. On amotion by Vernon Leseberg and second by Lencho Vega, the amount for cost share this year will be decreased to \$25,000. If extra funding becomes available, the board can pass a budget adjustment resolution later in the fiscal year. The FY 2024 budget with the corrected cost share amount was passed on a motion by Vernon Leseberg and second by Lencho Vega. Roll call vote followed with all present voting in the affirmative.

Agreed Upon Procedures (AUP) Tier 6 for FY 2023 Quotes: We received three quotes from approved firms. The lowest quote was Dan Austin, CPA, PC from Ruidoso. On a motion by Lencho Vega and second by Vernon Leseberg, Mr. Austin was selected to complete our AUP Tier 6 for FY 2023. Staff will submit the contract to the Office of the State Auditor. See attachment.

MOA for FY 2024 SWCC Grant for Data Collector: This MOA was approved and signed for the funding to purchase a new data collector for the TopCon Rover survey system on a motion by Vernon Leseberg and second by Lencho Vega. See attachment. Mil Levy Approval: See attachment. We received approval from the SWCC on our mill levy. This has been submitted to the Socorro County Treasurer.



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New Office Building: A punch list was sent to our contractor regarding unfinished work, sub-standard work and concerns about the building. His response to each of these items was handed out. The board met with CID personnel and are waiting to hear from them.

Cost Share Program:

Agricultural applications were received from Johnny Chavez to level a small acreage and to extend a pipeline to irrigate a field and from Donna Harris to install livestock pipeline and drinker. Residential applications were received from Julio Gutierrez for both drip irrigation and low flow toilet and from Trista Hughes for a rain barrel and low flow toilet. All four applications were approved on a motion by Vernon Leseberg and second by Lencho Vega.

Election: See attachment. The letter has been submitted to the Socorro County Clerk for position 1, 2 and 5 to be on the ballot for November.

NMDA Report: See attachment.			
Adjourn:	Meeting concluded at 1:05 pm.		
Chairman		Date	