



Socorro Soil & Water Conservation District
103 Francisco de Avondo, Socorro, NM 87801
October 9, 2023 12:00

Present: Eddy Harris, Chris Lopez, Vernon Leseberg, Nyleen Troxel Stowe, Will Kolbenschlag, Dani Rivera, Katie Mechenbier

The **meeting** was called to order at 12:17 pm by Chairman Eddy Harris.

The **agenda** passed on a motion by Chris Lopez and second by Vernon Leseberg.

The **September 11, 2023 minutes** passed on a motion by Chris Lopez and a second by Vernon Leseberg.

Items:

Financial:

Treasurer’s Report and Voucher Payments: See attachments. This was approved as presented on a motion by Chris Lopez and a second by Vernon Leseberg.

FY 2024 1st Quarter Report & Letter: See attachment. This was sent out to the board prior to the meeting for review. On a motion by Chris Lopez and a second by Vernon Leseberg, the letter to DFA stating that the 1st Quarter budget report was approved.

FSB Letter for Electronic Statements: See attachment. This will allow us to access bank statements online instead of waiting for a paper copy to arrive in the mail. This was approved on a motion by Chris Lopez and a second by Vernon Leseberg.

Update from CID on new office building: Will presented the response from Westcon to CID. The board voted to contact attorney Jerry Armijo to review the documents on a motion by Chris Lopez and a second by Vernon Leseberg.

Potential of hiring Jerry Armijo for Bond Issues: See above action item.

BLM Agreement FY2024: We have received confirmation that we will be receiving \$62,000 from the BLM to contract cut-stump of up to 70 acres of noxious trees adjoining the Socorro Nature Area (BLM land). We are also receiving \$70,000 for staffing and supplies.

Salt Cedar Contractor: We have a verbal agreement with Lanford Excavation to perform the extraction and mastication using the Statewide Price Agreement. Staff will draw up a contract and have it ready for the November board meeting.

Cost Share Program:

Update: Dani gave an update on the current cost share projects and the cost share budget.

Residential Application: Donna Harris applied for drip irrigation cost share. This was approved on a motion by Chris Lopez and a second by Vernon Leseberg.

Election: The Secretary of State’s office has changed the procedures and the process is currently not clear.

NMDA Report: See attachment. Katie reviewed the report.

Adjourn: Meeting concluded at 1:15 PM

Chairman
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Date