



**Present:** Joe Chris Lopez, Edward Harris, Sefie Anaya, Chanda Vigil (arrived at 12:45), Will Kolbenschlag, Daniela Rivera

**Board Members Not Present:** Vernon Leseberg

The **meeting** was called to order at 12:06 pm by Chairman Lopez.

The **agenda** passed unanimously following a motion by Edward Harris and a second by Sefie Anaya.

The **February 10, 2026** minutes were approved unanimously following a motion by Edward Harris and a second by Sefie Anaya.

**Items:**

**Treasurer's Report and Voucher Payments:** See attachments. Following a motion by Sefie Anaya and a second by Edward Harris, these were unanimously accepted as presented.

**Jornada RC&D Dues:** See attachment. Following a motion by Edward Harris and a second by Sefie Anaya, the board voted unanimously to pay the 2026 membership dues.

**Office Building Update:** See attachment. Will updated the board about the status of the additional expenses related to office building issues.

**Grants Update:** Will reviewed the current status of both existing and pending grants.

**Mill Levy Rate Resolution #2026-5:** See attachment. Edward Harris made a motion to approve the resolution, which Sefie Anaya seconded. A roll call vote followed: Edward Harris-Yes, Joe Chris Lopez-Yes, Sefie Anaya-Yes. (Chanda Vigil was not present for the vote).

**Rio Grande Basin Study (RGSB) Potential Partnership:** See Attachment. Following a motion by Edward Harris and a second by Sefie Anaya, the board voted unanimously to partner with the RGSB.

**Elephant Butte Delta Channel Realignment EA:** Will reviewed maps from the Public Scoping Meeting he attended on February 18, 2026. No action was taken.

**Cost Share:**

Update: See attachment. Daniela updated the board on the status of the cost share program.

Agricultural Application: Gregorio Romero applied for laser leveling cost share. Snake Ranch requested a 30 day extension for their settling pond project due to a tractor fire.

Following a motion by Sefie Anaya and a second by Edward Harris, Gregorio Romero was approved for laser leveling and Snake Ranch was granted a 30 day extension with all members voting in the affirmative.



Updates to Agricultural Cost Share Application: See attachment. Daniela presented an updated cost share application that no longer allows lessees to apply for cost share. Going forward, only landowners may apply for cost share and receive cost share reimbursements. Following a motion by Edward Harris a second by Sefie Anaya, this passed unanimously.

Updates to Residential Cost Share Application: See attachment. Daniela presented an updated cost share application that changed the limit on residential cost share from \$600 per year to \$600 per project, and placed a limit of \$200 reimbursement on each low flow toilet. Following a motion by Edward Harris and second by Sefie Anaya, this passed unanimously.

MRGCD Design Requests: See attachment. Will updated the board regarding the MRGCD telling landowners to request designs from the Socorro SWCD for the MRGCD cost share program. After visiting with the MRGCD, their application is not publicly available, they don't have stated cost share limits or parameters, and haven't developed specifications for their cost share projects. Designs for MRGCD projects will be postponed until specifications for projects are determined by the MRGCD.

**Employee Reports:** See attachments. Will and Daniela reviewed their reports for the month.

**NMDA Report:** See attachment.

**Adjourn:** Following a motion by Sefie Anaya and a second by Chanda Vigil, the board voted unanimously to conclude the meeting at 1:37 pm.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Chairman

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date