# SOUTH PUEBLO COUNTY CONSERVATION DISTRICT MINUTES Regular Meeting – Thursday, March 21, 2024 USDA Service Center - Pueblo, Colorado

# CALL MEETING TO ORDER

President Ryan Froman called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Board members in attendance were George Pigg, Doug Thacker, and Devin Cossel. Other attendees included Lana Pearson, Resource Team Leader.

### **REVIEW AGENDA**

George moved, and Doug seconded to approve the agenda. Motion passed.

### SECRETARY'S REPORT

Doug moved, and Devin seconded to approve the minutes of the February meeting. The motion passed.

### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

Doug reported the bank statement dated February 29, 2024, was \$17,745.53 at US Bank plus \$9,894.01 at Colorado Bank and Trust.

The CD is at the Bank of the San Juans for four months at 4.91% interest.

The balance as of 12/15/23 is \$12,527.86. Interest on the statement in 2023 is \$205.93.

# **BILLS TO BE PAID**

Rhoades – January-March \$500 + Exemption from Audit \$200 + Annual Report \$100. Devin moved and George seconded to pay \$800, motion passed. Check # 1001 Environthon - \$1,000, previously approved. Paid check # 1002 Ark Valley Watershed Forum – Mark's registration. Tabled until next meeting

#### CORRESPONDENCE

CACD – District Operations Training – April 22-23

CACD – Poster Contest

CACD – funding for Demonstration Projects

CACD – Annual meeting – December 2-4

CACD – Upper Ark Watershed meeting in Pueblo West, April 18

Colorado State Auditor - Exemption from Audit approved

CSCB – accessibility tools, websites, documents, email, forms, etc

Rye High School - thank you for Envirothon support

# **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Banking update – checks for new account at Colorado Bank and Trust have been delivered. Debit cards distribution – Devin??

Ark River Basin Water Forum report – table until Mark available

# **NEW BUSINESS**

Kristi – unable to attend but sent an email report.

- No update yet on the Master Irrigator program.
- Possible Drought/Crop meeting to combine with Local Work Group meeting. Need to discuss
- CSU Ag Business is requesting information from corn and alfalfa producers for economic calculations.
- Other ideas or requests from the board.

The board approved paying one-half of dues of \$700 to CACD and Turkey Creek will pay the other half. Devin moved and George seconded, motion passed. Check # 1003

The board will add Ryan to the signature card for the Colo Bank and Trust. Need letter to the bank.

It was suggested to have the new Pueblo County noxious weed coordinators attend a board meeting. Lana will obtain the names. The Weed staff is now under the County Park and Recreation Department.

# **NRCS REPORT -**

Personnel – a new Resource Conservation Specialist, Wesley Castro, is on board. EQIPs are being ranked The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

# <u>The next board meeting will be Thursday, April 18, 2024, at the USDA Service Center in</u> <u>Pueblo.</u>

Approved minutes: Doug Thacker - Secretary/Treasurer