WEST OTERO TIMPAS CONSERVATION DISTRICT 200 South 10th Street Rocky Ford, CO 81067

Board of Supervisors Regular Meeting August 7, 2023; 5:30 pm M I N U T E S

I. Call meeting to order

The meeting was called to order by President Gray at 5:45 pm Present: Bill Gray, Scott Youker, David Tomky, Dayla Pearl, Tammy Ridennoure Others Present: Nancy Aschermann, Lana Pearson

II. Reading of Minutes Motion Carried to approve the minutes as presented.

III. Financial Report

A. District
B. Association
Motion Carried to file the financial reports for audit.

- IV. Pay Bills DM/DCT - \$573.63 July \$744.25 June Motion Carried to pay the bills.
- V. Mileage Report/Meetings Attended Login was completed.

VI. Unfinished Business Matching Grant 2023

Three of the five irrigation projects are completed. One of the two rangeland projects is completed.

Soil Health

CSCB sent a breakdown of the award process over the four years.

Web Page

Aschermann showed the web page, which is a work in progress. It should go live in October.

VII. New Business

Jessica Hiebert is now working for FSA. We are advertising. <u>Motion Carried</u> to raise the pay to \$18 per hour. Cooperator of the Year Motion Carried to name Wineinger Davis Ranch the Cooperator of the Year.

VIII. FYI

Lower Arkansas Watershed Association, September 29th, 12:00 noon

The producers who participated in the STAR+ program will be asked to talk at the Watershed Meeting and describe their approach to soil health.

IX. Partner Updates

Region 12 (Rocky Ford and Pueblo) now has 25 EQIP contracts for a total of \$4.7 million. Rocky Ford has 18 contracts for \$2.9 million and Pueblo has 7 contracts for \$1.6 million.

CRP grasslands shows 21 contracts in Otero/Crowley Counties and 22 contracts in Pueblo County.

A new engineer has been hired in the Pueblo office.

X. Adjourn

XI. Next Meeting: <u>Monday, September 11, 2023</u>

Submitted by,

Scott Youker