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

Board of Supervisors Regular Meeting August 5, 2024; 5:30 pm Agenda

I. Call meeting to order

Meeting was called to order at 5:39 pm by president Gray. Present: Scott Youker, Dayla Pearl, Tammy Ridennoure

Excused: David Tomky

Others Present: Lana Pearson, Nancy Aschermann, Jill Taylor, Tim Erickson

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 – June \$641.69

July \$507.23

Motion Carried to pay the bills.

V. Mileage Report/Meetings Attended

Login was completed.

VI. Unfinished Business

Matching Grant 2024

Three of the four grants are completed. Taylor is a fall project.

Soil Health

All Data Loggers are installed. It's a 'cross your fingers' operation at this point.

VII. New Business

Tim Erickson

Tim would like the board to explore options to help mitigate the Cholla Cactus problem.

Conservationist of the Year

By consensus, the board decided to forego a Conservationist of the Year.

<u>Motion Carried</u> to submit a resolution to CACD concerning the 10% limit for board members and their families on grant funds in matching grants.

VIII. CSCB – Tammy Ridennoure

September 4th and 5th the CSCB Board will meet at CSU Extension. They plan to visit Hirakata Farms and Natalie Summers Place.

IX. FYI

Watershed Meeting, Friday, September 13, 2024, 12:00, CSU Extension

SE Colorado Regional FFA Range Judging and Plant ID, September 25th at Valley Trading Post Events Center.

Motion Carried to donate the same amount as last year to FFA Range Judging.

X. Partner Updates

Two partner biologists will join the staff in late August: Aaron Lewis, at 25 NCRS/75 Bird Conservancy, and Emilie Califf, at 75 NRCS/25 Bird Conservancy.

Dominik Becerra will start as Program Support Specialist (front desk) on August 25th. Rocky Ford received 5 EQIP contracts at \$231,000 and 14,000 acres. There are 8 CSP in RF and 2 in Pueblo.

CRP rules now allow grazing for mid-term management between October 1st and March 15th.

XI. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 6:56 pm.

	XII.	Next Meeting:	: Monday, Se	<u>ptember 9, 2024</u>
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Submitted by,

Scott Youker