

**WEST OTERO TIMPAS CONSERVATION DISTRICT**  
**200 South 10<sup>th</sup> Street**  
**Rocky Ford, CO 81067**

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**Board of Supervisors Regular Meeting**  
**December 1, 2025; 5:30 pm**  
**MINUTES**

- I. Call meeting to order**  
The meeting was called to order by Vice-President Tomky at 5:05 pm.  
Present: David Tomky, Tammy Ridenoure, Dayla Pearl, Scott Youker  
Others: Lana Pearson, Nancy Aschermann, Jill Taylor, Michaela Mattes, Kristi Bartolo  
(last half of meeting)
- II. Reading of Minutes**  
**Motion Carried** to approve the minutes as presented.
- III. Financial Report**  
**A. District**  
**B. Association**  
**Renewed CDs at 3.40% for 11 months**  
**Motion Carried** to file the financial reports for audit.
- IV. Pay Bills**  
**DM/DCT – October \$993.26 no grant money**  
**November 1 – 14 -- \$165 Jill only**  
**November \$535.53**  
**Motion Carried** to pay the bills.
- V. Mileage Report/Meetings Attended**  
Log in was completed.
- VI. Unfinished Business**  
**Matching Grant 2025 – final report**  
The final report was passed around for all to see.  
**Notification of 2026 Matching Grant**  
By consensus we will announce before next year's signup that folks who have received multiple grants in previous years will not be top of the list allowing others a chance to receive funds. Advertising will be in the newspaper, Facebook, web page, and word of mouth.
- VII. New Business**  
**Master Irrigator Request for Donation, Kristi Bartolo**  
**Motion Carried** to donate \$1000 to the Master Irrigator Program.  
**Salary Increases**  
**Motion Carried** to give all employees a 5% raise.

**Irrigation Study**

Board discussed the Irrigation Study that Tammy Ridenoure is pursuing. Board is waiting for more information.

**Long Range Plan**

**Motion Carried** to approve the Long Range Plan for 2006-2008.

**Budget 2026**

**Motion Carried** to approve the Budget Message, the Letter of Transmittal, the Resolution to Adopt a Budget, and the Resolution to Appropriate Sums of Money.

**Annual Meeting, Monday, January 26<sup>th</sup>****Bill Gray**

Everyone signed a card for the Gray family.

Board requested a commemoration of Bill Gray at the annual meeting with Debbie and the family invited to attend.

Discussion ensued to replace Bill on the Board:

Shawn Gray – David will investigate that possibility

Other names mentioned Shaun Buhr, Andy Welch.

(In a text after the meeting, Dayla Pearl mentioned Chad Edmundson.)

**VIII. CSCB – Tammy Ridenoure**

NRCS and the State Board are funded through 2026.

Nikki Brenson is back in the office after caring for her son who was in a coma after a motorcycle accident.

**IX. FYI****X. Partner Updates**

XI. Pearson is glad we're back to work after the shutdown.

NRCS has one date, January 15<sup>th</sup>, to sign up for all programs.

Pearson would like to be relieved of managing the Las Animas office.

Mattes reported on the 2026 Pesticide Continued Education Workshops, which lead to further discussion about getting Pesticide licenses.

**XII. Adjourn**

Meeting adjourned at 6:55 pm.

**XIII. Next Meeting: Monday, January 5, 2025**

Next meeting put Camp Rocky on the agenda.

Submitted by,

Nancy Aschermann