

**EAST OTERO CONSERVATION DISTRICT
200 South 10th Street
Rocky Ford, CO 81067**

**Board of Supervisors Regular Meeting
June 2, 2025
M I N U T E S**

- I. Call meeting to order**
The meeting was called to order by President Caldwell at 7:02 pm.
Present: Dennnis Caldwell, Ross Nielsen, Kyle Hirakata
Excused: Chris Tomky, Ken Maier
Others: Lana Pearson, Nancy Aschermann, Jill Taylor, Micheala Mattes
- II. Reading of Minutes**
Motion Carried to approve the minutes as presented.
- III. Financial Report**
A. District
B. Building Account
C. Association
Motion Carried to file the financial reports for audit.
- IV. Pay Bill**
DM/DCT – \$953.74
Motion Carried to pay the bills.
- V. Mileage Report/Meetings Attended**
Login was complekted.
- VI. Unfinished Business**
Matching Grant 2025
Last two projects are on track to be completed soon.
Soil Health: Cancelled
Jill wrangled full reimbursement for each participant.
- VII. New Business**
Oath of Office: Ross Nielsen, Kyle Hirakata
The Oath of Office was taken by Ross Nielsen, and Kyle Hirakata.
Matching Grant 2026
By consensus, the next Matching Grant will be for irrigation projects.
Conservationists of the Year
Selection was deferred to next month.
NRCS Realty Specialists: Over payment
No news.

VIII. Partner Updates

NRCS is dealing with time sheet changes.

There are 9-10 fields designated as UHEL (undetermined Highly Erodable Land). FSA and NRCS are 'cleaning those up.' Lana will be contacting the effected producers.

There are no NRCS employees in the Las Animas office, so Lana is there once a week, Randa is going twice a week, and Amber Freoff will be there once a week.

Two pickups have been returned to Colorado Springs and one sent to Las Animas.

CSU Ex is sponsoring Wheat Field Days.

IX. FYI

There was discussion about our office putting on a Agrivoltaics Workshop.

Our Long Range Plan will need to be updated by the end of the year.

X. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 7:38.

XI. Next Meeting: Monday, July 7, 2025

Submitted by,

Ross Nielsen