

OLNEY BOONE CONSERVATION DISTRICT

200 South 10th Street
Rocky Ford, CO 81067

May 12, 2025

MINUTES

I. Call Meeting to Order

The meeting was called to order by President Hiza at 2:05 pm.

Present: Ed Hiza, Taren Mentz, Joe Pope, Wade Sigler

Excused: Garth Perry

Others: Lana Pearson, Nancy Aschermann, Jill Taylor

II. Reading of Minutes

Motion Carried to approve the minutes as presented.

III. Financial Reports

a. District

b. Building Account

c. Association

East district needs to transfer \$1500 into the Association account.

Ag in the Classroom donation: last year \$100

Motion Carried to file the financial reports for audit.

Motion Carried to transfer \$1500 to the Association account.

Motion Carried to donate \$100 to Ag in the Classroom.

IV. Mileage Report/Meetings Attended

Login was completed.

V. Unfinished Business

Solar Farm letter to Pueblo County Commissioners

No report

Matching Grant

Motion Carried to allow Adair Ranch LLC to use the remainder of the \$5000

Matching Grant on tire tank.

Other projects are progressing.

FYI: Soil Health program has been cancelled.

VI. New Business

Oath of Office: Joe Pope, Wade Sigler

Both Joe Pope and Wade Sigler took the oath of office and signed the form.

NRCS Realty Specialists: Over payment

The Board was updated on the situation. We are waiting to see what NRCS's next step is.

LWG Report

TCP application

Motion Carried to approve both the Local Work Group Report and the Targeted Conservation Project.

VII. FYI

Wade Sigler informed the board of Colorado Wildlife and Biodiversity Act which will be ballot initiative #82.

VIII. Partner Updates

NRCS is developing a new process for the Partner Agreement.

At the state level the employee count has gone from 242 to 156. Since that is lower than the 2019 number of 176, Clint Evans is hoping to hire back 20 employees.

The state should get information about the reorganization plan in a couple of weeks. Each office now must report a daily occupancy count.

IX. Next Meeting – Thursday, June 12, 2025

Submitted by,

Garth Perry