

Teller-Park Conservation District  
800 Research Drive # 160  
Woodland Park, CO 80863

May 08, 2024

Supervisors: Laurie Glauth, Wendy Dillenschneider, John Vance: Rebecca Pruitt, Greg Liverman

**Guest:** David Gottenborg, Vanness McCracken- CDA Star Plus Program specialist. Vanessa reviewed the Star Plus program and will set up times to speak to our producers. Marisa is stepping back from these duties.

**NRCS:** Chris Smith

**Partner Biologist:** Kyle Deschenes

**Staff:** Marisa Neuzil

**Call to order:** Laurie called the meeting to order at 10:07 AM

Minutes and Financials: Wendy made a motion to approve the April minutes, Greg seconded. Motion carried. Greg made a motion to approve March financials, Wendy seconded. Motion carried.

Guest: Dave is a Park County rancher who runs a cow/calf operation in the Tarryall. He wanted to introduce himself and let the board know that he is interested in joining the board when there is a vacancy. He had to leave early so he could facilitate an eagle release on his property.

**NRCS-** Chris gave a Snotel report letting us know that there was still 48-50 inches of snow on their test sites. Cienaga Ranch irrigation project has just been approved. They are hoping to get more high tunnels approved. Chris will be starting a four-month remote detail for Arizona starting May 20<sup>th</sup>. Kyle and Rob will have to fill in for Chris. Dixie will handle range projects. We are still waiting for a replacement for Joslyn. The Local Work Group Meeting is scheduled for June 4, 2024, at the Woodland Park library from 10:00-Noon.

**Partner Biologist-** Kyle let the board know that the RESTORE grant was not awarded.

**DM-**see attached. Marisa spoke with Ross Herzog's office. The county contract is signed and is ready for the 2024 season.

**Old Business:** Greg presented his updated version of the TPCD by-laws. The board reviewed together, and Greg will bring the questions to CSSB for clarification before we move ahead with the petition process for the formal updating of the document.

**New Business:** The board reviewed the TPCD Scholarship applications and awarded it to Mikiala McDowell of Cripple Creek High School. Ms. McDowell will be attending CSU in the fall and intends on studying some type of wildlife biology. We will wait for her to formally accept and then will advertise on social media. Marisa will be conducting an HOA weed talk for the residents of Colorado Mountain Estates on May 18<sup>th</sup>, Laurie will also attend. The board will need to begin working on the Long-Range Plan as it is due at the end of the year.

Supervisor Reports:

Laurie: The water trailer is painted and now we will work on getting a custom cover for the trailer made.

Rebecca: N/A

**Wendy:** Wendy updated the board regarding the bills going through the legislative process regarding veterinary tele-health.

**John:** N/A, he has stated that he would be ready to step down if the appropriate person was found to fill that vacancy.

**Greg:** Greg filled the board in on the happenings of the Upper Ark Watershed meeting that he attended in Pueblo West. The Gold Belt organization met with a Japanese delegation from Okido.

**Action Items:** The board will work on bylaws and Long-Range planning.

Meeting adjourned: 1:47 PM

Executive Session:

**NEXT MEETING:** June 12, 2024, 10:00 AM TPCD

Approved by Rebecca Pruitt- Treasurer/Secretary