

Board Meeting Minutes-May

Teller-Park Conservation District

800 Research Drive # 160
Woodland Park, CO 80863

May 27, 2026

Meeting held at 800 Research Dr. 224 County Offices

Supervisors: Laurie Glauth, Wendy Dillenschneider, Rebecca Pruitt, Greg Liverman, Dave Gottenborg

Partners:

NRCS: Greg Langer

Partner: Kyle Deschenes

CSU Extension: No reports

Staff: Marisa Neuzil, Atticus Bixby

Call to order: Laurie called the meeting to order at 10:13 AM

Minutes and Financials: Rebecca made a motion to approve the April minutes, Dave seconded. Motion carried. Greg made a motion to approve the April financial report, Rebecca seconded. Motion carried. Rebecca suggested that the district investigate staggering up to \$150,000 into quarterly CSs. Atticus will speak with a personal banker at Park State Bank and Trust.

Greg Liverman read a proclamation honoring Marisa Neuzil for her ten years of service as well as her accomplishments. The board presented Marisa with a framed print from a local artist.

NRCS- Greg Langer reported that there are nine pre-approved contracts that are near obligations. The office will have at least five obligated contracts by May 29th, 2026. People continue to express interest in EQIP. It doesn't look likely that there will be a second round of funding this year.

Guest: Sam Meldon introduced herself as the new Southeast Regional CSCB Manager. She comes with a ranching and education background. There are 27 districts in her area. She is available to help districts with statutory requirements.

Partner Biologist- Kyle spoke about the Community Wildfire Defense Grant that he will be submitting as soon as the grant opens. This will fund a project north of Woodland Park.

CSU Extension: No reports from Teller or Park CSU Extension

DM- Marisa thanked the board for her present and recognition. She informed the board that she has been training Atticus, writing the 2027 CSCB Grant, working on the Standard Operating Procedures and tying up loose ends with landowners. Marisa's last day in the office will be May 28th, 2026.

Atticus informed the board that he has been training, completed his NRCS onboarding, as well as a Day at the Capitol with the CACD and their lobbyist.

Old Business: Marisa gave the board a three-year weed management plan as well as a template for a resolution so that the Teller-County Board of Commissioners can make a resolution adopting the three-year plan. Marisa will write a check to the 4-H board for the sponsorship of all the trophies for the 2026 Teller County Fair 4-H livestock winners. Wendy will get the check to the group. Marisa updated the board on the Temple Grandin contract and date of event. The board would like the watershed group to explore sponsorships at the event. Rebecca said that she would email the district a list of possible sponsorship entities. Atticus presented the draft seed drill brochure and possible rental rates and requirements. The board agreed that the terms were good and to go ahead and rent the drill.

New Business: Wendy Dillenschneider made a motion that Marisa Neuzil will be taken from all Teller-Park Conservation District banking and Atticus Bixby will be added as a signer and holder of the debit card. Laurie Glauth and Rebecca Pruitt will continue to be official signors on the account. Dave seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Greg made a motion that the signature stamps will stay in the hands of the district bookkeeper, Patricia Galvin, and she has the authority to stamp paychecks and tax payments. Rebecca seconded the motion. The vote was 4 to 0, with Dave Gottenbord abstaining. The board would like to find out if the bookkeeper is bonded. Marisa discussed the continuity of operations with the board and tabled a discussion on IT policy, network connectivity, equipment usage, data storage, backups for district data from June 2026 and beyond, as well as security, resiliency, and continuity. Atticus briefly discussed the Natural Disaster Mitigation Enterprise Grant; this will be discussed later.

Supervisor Reports:

Laurie: N/A

Rebecca: Rebecca gave the leftover CSU Extension seedling potatoes to various entities in Cripple Creek.

Wendy: Wendy would like the board to have an official policy regarding zoning and planning requests from the counties as well as mining. The Conservation Easement Tax Credit Bill passed with bi-partisan support and is just waiting to be signed. She informed the board that there have been some issues with people using their properties in a way that they are not zoned. There is work being done in the new subdivision in Divide. The developer is putting in roads, but no housing construction has begun.

Dave: N/A

Greg: N/A

Executive Session: Greg made a motion to go into executive session to discuss a consultant contract for Marisa , Rebecca seconded at 12:57PM. Motion carried. They came out of executive session at 1:09. The board went back into active meeting at 1:09 and Rebecca made a motion to accept the proposed terms of keeping Marisa on as a 1099 consultant starting July 1, 2026, and ending June 30, 2027.

Action Items:

Meeting adjourned: 1:12 PM

NEXT MEETING: June 10, 2026, 10:00 AM Teller Park County Offices # 224, Woodland Park, CO 80863

Approved by Rebecca Pruitt- Secretary/Treasurer