



La Plata Conservation District (LPCD) Board Meeting Minutes

January 21, 2014

Location: NRCS office, 31 Suttle St, Durango, CO, 81303

Time/Date: 5:00PM to 6:30PM; January 21, 2014

Attendee List: **Board Members:**

- Tom Hartnett, President
- Clyde Johnson, VP
- Dave Miller, Treasurer
- Sterling Moss, NRCS
- Cecilia Whitaker, Secretary
- Paul Gray, LAPCO liaison
- Gary Thrash, Grants/Programs
- Bill Szilva

Quorum (need 4 voting members) *yes – 1st of 1 meeting*

Guests:

Sheryl Ayers

Meeting Leader: Tom Hartnett, President

Agenda:

1. **Welcome** – Tom Hartnett:
 - a. Roll Call – A quorum **was** present.
 - b. Introduced Sheryl Ayers a volunteer to handle scholarships
2. **President’s Report** - Tom Hartnett reported the following:
 - a. Sheryl is former county commissioner and teacher
 - b. Scholarships to be in the \$1000 – 1500 range; to go to students interested in our mission – ag/conservation/etc.; criteria to be from La Plata Co., no exclusion on first year vs. later year as student, at whatever school, no exclusion on Board relatives
 - c. Bylaws have been changed from 7 to 11 Board members
 - d. Created Resolution 2014.1 to have Natalie act as our election official; it was unanimously approved
 - e. Working meeting to be scheduled for Feb 22nd @ 12PM, to be held at 3611 CR 100 for approximately 4 hrs; meeting to create 2014 annual plan of work; 2013 APW needs to be in by end of February



- f. Everyone needs to enter mileage on Skydrive for all 2013 LPCD related activities
 - g. Possibility of change of meeting locations to county courthouse building or other wireless networked building
3. **Vice President's Report** – Clyde Johnson reported the following:
 - a. Will call Robin Walsh cancelling her for Board election help
 - b. Kate Greenburg – didn't respond back
 4. **Treasurer's Report** – Dave Miller reported the following:
 - a. December - \$1040.51 revenue; \$ 635.02 expenses; \$22,492.10 ending 2013 balance
 - b. Budget was accepted by DOLA
 - c. It was approved to pay \$500 for insurance; will check with Natalie about bonding/coverage needed for Board members
 - d. Yearly audit exemption filing
 5. **Secretary Report** – Cecilia Whitaker reported the following:
 - a. Tree orders are coming in – up to approx. \$3000 so far, 1388 trees
 - b. Minutes from last meeting approved
 - c. Working on other grants for AVD&WC from WSRA and SWWCD
 6. **NRCS Report** – Sterling Moss reported the following:
 - a. Soil health workshop at fairgrounds Feb 18th; we will co-sponsor
 - b. Building lease up for renewal
 - c. EQIP had 92 applications
 - d. Dust problem 50/50 cost share
 - e. Snowpack at approximately 80%
 - f. Marty has confirmed that RM Bird Observatory will split cost of waterjet stinger; estimated at \$2000 – 2500; LPCD will be the “owners” of the equipment
 7. **Sales/Inventory Report** – Paul Gray/Cecilia Whitaker reported the following:
 - a. Paul did inventory of Zircon contents
 - b. Cecilia looked into tree guards and microrhyzzal fungi as possible sale items
 8. **LAPCO Report** – Paul Gray reported the following:
 - a. Check for rent of \$1956.50



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MEETING NOTICE:

NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE LA PLATA CONSERVATION DISTRICT (LPCD)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the members of the Board of Directors of the La Plata Conservation District and to the general public that the Board of Directors of the LPCD holds a monthly meeting open to the public on the third Tuesday of each month at 5:00 PM at the NRCS offices located at 31 Suttle Street, Durango, CO.

The agenda for the meetings are as follows:

- President report – plans and work in progress
- VP report – plans and work in progress
- Treasurer report – financial report, website
- Secretary report – minutes, tree sales
- NRCS update
- Sales/inventory report
- LAPCO report
- Grants
- Annual plan of work
- Volunteer updates
- Board task list updates
- Calendar review
- Adjourn

Dates for 2014 meetings:

December 17, 2013
January 21, 2014
February 18, 2014
March 18, 2014
April 15, 2014
May 20, 2014
June 17, 2014
July 15, 2014
August 19, 2014
September 16, 2014
October 21, 2014
November 18, 2014
December 16, 2014

This Agenda may be amended prior to the meeting as allowed by law. Prior to voting to go into Executive Session, the Board will declare the topic(s) of the Executive Session pursuant to § 24-6-402, C.R.S. It is anticipated that any marked () agenda items may be discussed in Executive Session and acted on by the Board at this meeting. Any action taken by the Board will occur in regular session, open to the public. The Board may address the agenda in any order to accommodate the needs of the Board and the audience.*

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EVENT CALENDAR

Event	2014 Dates	Location	Contact	Comments
Farmers market	May-Oct	Every Saturday	Carolyn Blehm	970-412-8992
EQIP application deadline	Jan 17		Sterling Moss	
CACD meeting	Jan 21-23		Gary Thrash	
NRCS Soil Health Workshop	Feb 18	fairgrounds		
Beef Cow Symposium	Feb 18	Pagosa Springs	Darrin Parmenter?	
LPCD Annual Mtg	Feb ??			
Four States Expo	Mar 13-15	Montezuma Co.	info@FourStatesAgExpo.com	(970) 529-3486
Weed Symposium	Mar 25	Fairgrounds	Rod Cook	
Integrated Land Mgmt Symp	Mar 26	fairgrounds	Darrin Parmenter	
Tree Sales End	April 9		Cecilia	
Tree delivery	April 23	Tree pickup Apr 24	Cecilia	Truck arrives @ 9:30AM
Home & Ranch Show	Apr 26-27		www.durangohrs.com/homeandranchRegistration.asp	(970) 375-4511
2015 Budget Committee	August			

Dolores CD mtgs
San Juan CD mtgs
Mancos CD mtgs
Pine River CD mtgs