

## ***La Plata Conservation District (LPCD) Board Meeting Minutes***

**Location:** Colorado State Forest Service office, FLC, Durango, CO, 81301

**Time/Date:** 5:00PM to 8:00PM; May 20, 2014

### **Attendee List: Board Members:**

Tom Hartnett, President ☒

Dave Miller, Treasurer ☒

Sterling Moss, NRCS ☒

Cecilia Whitaker, Secretary ☐

Paul Gray, LAPCO liaison ☒

Gary Thrash, CACD/Watershed ☒

Bill Szilva, ☒

Steven Phillips- Guest

### **Quorum (need 4 voting members) yes**

Tom presented Steven Phillips as a candidate for supervisor position. Motion by Bill to appoint Steven, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Paul. Motion carried.

### **Upcoming meetings:**

May 28<sup>th</sup> Weed meeting at County extension building.

June 9<sup>th</sup> Special Districts Training for New Conservation District Supervisors. At Fire station in Bodo park.

### **Past Meetings:**

Tom, Sterling and Gary attended Agriculture Micro-hydro Meeting at college on May 19<sup>th</sup>.

Gary attended Conservation Partnership Workshop on May 20<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup> at the College

**CSCB Weed Cost Share Grant.** Dave Miller and Bill Szilva to work together on applying for grant, Dave agreed to be the lead. Tom sent examples to board of other Districts with matching weed grants.

**Oath of Office.** Tom will send out new oath of office forms for everyone to sign and return.

**Approval of Minutes.** Tabled to next meeting.

**Treasure Report- Dave Miller.** Reports will be posted on OneDrive.

- \$36183+ in bank account
- Received \$'s from CSCB Bootstrap program.
- Stinger invoice paid.
- Tree sales- Bill Szilva suggestion to take over tree program from CSFS- discussion deferred to get Cecilia's input on workload. Bill will talk to CSFS.

Motion to accept treasure's report- Gary, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bill- Motion carried. Report will be posted on OneDrive.

**Meeting rotating Chair** – brief discussion chair for meetings as follows:

June 2014- Tom Hartnett

July- Dave Miller

August- Bill Szilva

September- Gary Thrash

October- Cecilia Whitaker

November- Steve Phillips  
January, 2015- Tom Hartnett

**NRCS Report.** Sterling Moss

- Acting State Conservationist coming.
- No cost share direction yet with new Farm Bill.
- Sterling will be gone next month.
- Civil Rights Responsibility of Conservation Districts. Sterling reviewed policy on civil rights and Equal Opportunity and emphasized that Districts must adhere to this policy. Board members are required to sign that they agree to this policy. Those present signed form.

**Plot Master** question; Repairs are needed- Trailer light needs replacement- Paul will get new straps and tarp and will check out other repair needs. Will add user manual and a checklist of plotmaster.  
**Stinger Water Jet-** Needs user guide and cost rental disclaimer. Steve will work on disclaimer.

**Office Space at NRCS.** Motion by Paul to request office space from NRCS/FSA for office space; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dave. Motion carried.

**Scholarship update:** Sheryl Ayers volunteer to coordinate.

**Information Center for LPCD.** Locate in NRCS office.

**Marketing Display/booth.** Tom will order by next week.

**Website.** Volunteer- Pete Ruhl working on and will try Mail Chimp for email notifications.

Meeting Adjourned at approximately 8 p.m.

Next meeting June 17, 2014.