

**ROOSEVELT SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT  
MONTHLY MEETING**

**September 14, 2023; 7:00 a.m.**

**AGENDA**

**Call the meeting to order**

**Opening Prayer**

**U.S. Pledge of Allegiance**

**New Mexico Pledge of Allegiance** (I salute the flag of the State of **New Mexico** and the Zia symbol of perfect friendship among united cultures.)

**Approve the Agenda**

**Approval of the Minutes – August 10, 2023**

**Financial Reports**

General account

Noxious Weed account

**Approve all bills due**

**NRCS Report**

**NMDA Report**

**Review the mail**

**Project Reports**

Weather Program – George Bomar

Charlie Marquez – 2024 Consulting Agreement Between Roosevelt SWCD & Broad Spectrum Consulting, LLC

Shade Ball Conservation Project – Research Project/Order/Building construction/Budget Adjustment

Playa Lakes Restoration Project – Christopher Rustay - MOA between the Roosevelt SWCD and the New Mexico State Land Office

High Plains CWMA - 2024 Budget

Well Monitoring

ZiaMet

Cost-Share Program

**Old Business**

County Commissioners Mtgs – 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays at 9:00 a.m.

City Council Meetings – 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays at 5:30 p.m.

**New Business**

Budget Adjustments – Resolution #5-2023

Building Insurance (\$3,587 last year)

NMACD Annual Mtg. – Nov. 6-8 – Embassy Suites Albuquerque

Nov. 6<sup>th</sup> – Supervisor Training

Sponsorship/Booth/Resolutions

RCPD meeting sponsorship – Sept. 7 – Elida 5:00 p.m.

African Rue Field Day – Oct. 5 – Elida 10:00 a.m.

**Building Issues – Gate**

**Supervisor Reports**

**Administrative Assistant Report**

**FSA Report**

**Public Comment – Comments are limited to 2 minutes per person. Total of 30 minutes.**

The Board may enter into Executive Session to discuss the items listed on the agenda pursuant to NMSA 1978,  
Section 10-15-1(H).



**Roosevelt Soil and Water Conservation District  
Monthly Meeting  
September 14, 2023**

**Board Members Present**  
Mike Cone Mitzi Miller  
Rick Ledbetter Sharon Davis  
Kendell Buzard

**Absent**  
Quentin Carnes

**Others Present:**  
Dean Bruce D'Llaynn Bruce  
Christopher Rustay Charlie Marquez  
George Bomar Sam Smallidge  
Dylan Marks Mike Rackler  
Mike Davidson Constance Williams  
Dawn Privett

Mike Cone called the meeting to order at 7:03 a.m.

Opening prayer, U.S. Pledge of Allegiance, & New Mexico Pledge.

Agenda: Rick Ledbetter moved to approve the agenda as presented. Mitzi Miller seconded. Motion carried.

Minutes: Mitzi Miller moved to approve the August 10, 2023 meeting minutes as presented. Rick Ledbetter seconded. Motion carried.

Financial Reports & Bills: Mitzi Miller moved to approve the financial reports for filing and bills for payment. Rick Ledbetter seconded. Motion carried. (See attached.)

NRCS Report: D'Llaynn Bruce presented the NRCS report. New office furniture should be delivered next week.

NMDA Report: Dean Bruce presented the NMDA Report.

Review Mail: The mail was reviewed. The Board discussed information provided on a possible rain-catchment program to harvest rainwater.

Weather Program: George Bomar discussed possible funding through the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA). Mitzi Miller moved to hire George to draft a grant application for funding for our Weather Program. Rick Ledbetter seconded. Motion carried.

Charlie Marquez provided a presentation on our cloud-seeding program and our funding needs/requests for the District. He will use this to discuss funding requests from legislators.

A meeting has been scheduled for tomorrow between Mike Cone, Rick Ledbetter, Charlie Marquez, and Nathan Small.

Charlie is also planning on meeting with the Mescalero Tribe regarding a possible winter cloud-seeding program.

Mitzi Miller moved to accept the contract between Roosevelt SWCD and Broad Spectrum Consulting. Kendell Buzard seconded. Motion carried.

Shade Ball Water Conservation Project: Sam Smallidge was in attendance and discussed the shade ball wildlife research project. The District is looking for a college student to assist with the project. Sam will meet with board members in the next few weeks to start getting cameras set up on sites.

Rick Ledbetter moved that Roosevelt SWCD place an order for 104,000 shade balls. Kendell Buzard seconded. Motion carried.

Rick Ledbetter moved to place an order of 104,000 shade balls to be shipped directly to Williams Ranch in Fort Stockton, Texas, at a price of \$.54 per ball, with a 50% deposit due at the time of order and remainder on delivery. Mitzi Miller seconded. Motion carried.

Roosevelt SWCD is waiting for an estimate from the contractor to begin construction on our shade ball storage building.

The 2024 Budget adjustment for the purchase of shade balls was tabled until next month.

Playa Lakes Restoration Project: Kendell Buzard moved to accept the MOA between Roosevelt SWCD & the NM State Land Office. Mitzi Miller seconded. Motion carried.

High Plains CWMA: The 2024 Budget adjustment to include the WQ&C funding for our noxious weed program was discussed. Approval was tabled until next month.

Well Monitoring: Repairs will be made to the well monitor in October on their next visit to Portales.

ZiaMet Program: [ZiaMet Weather Station Network \(nmsu.edu\)](https://nmsu.edu/zia)

Cost-Share Program: No new information.

County Commissioners/City Council Meetings: Dawn will plan to be put on the agenda for a District update at the County Commissioner and City Council Meetings.

2024 Budget Adjustment/Resolution #5-2024: Tabled until next month.

Building Insurance: Rick Ledbetter moved to renew our building/liability insurance policy with Young Insurance in the amount of \$3,757.00. Mitzi Miller seconded. Motion carried.

NMACD Annual Meeting: The meeting will be held Nov. 6-8 in Albuquerque. Dawn, Mitzi, and Kendell are planning on attending. Registrations and room reservations will be booked.

Sponsorship and resolution reviewing was tabled until next month.

The RCPP Meeting was held on Sept. 7, 2023 in Elida

African Rue Field Day is scheduled for Oct. 5, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. in Elida.

Building Issues: Rick Ledbetter moved to allow Quentin Carnes to purchase a new gate opener. Kendell Buzard seconded. Motion carried.

Supervisor Reports: Rick, Mitzi, and Mike gave a report on our fair booth at the Roosevelt County Fair.

Administrative Assistant Report: Dawn Privett gave her report.

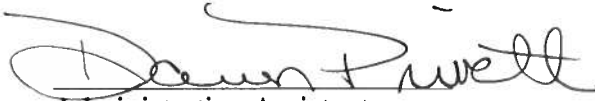
FSA: No report.

Public Comment: The floor was open for public comment.

Next month's meeting will be Thursday, October 12, 2023, at 7:00 a.m. at the Portales USDA Office.

Rick Ledbetter moved to adjourn the meeting at approximately 10:30 a.m. Mitzi Miller seconded. Motion carried.

  
Chairman

  
Administrative Assistant

## Roosevelt Soil &amp; Water Conservation District

9/1/2023 1:39 PM

Register: JP Stone Community Bank

From 07/31/2023 through 08/31/2023

Sorted by: Date, Type, Number/Ref

Date	Number	Payee	Account	Memo	Payment	C	Deposit	Balance
07/31/2023			Tree Sales/Windbreak	Deposit		X	34.50	103,278.77
07/31/2023			Interest Income	Interest		X	0.80	103,279.57
08/01/2023	5706	Robin L. Griffith	-split-		232.41	X		103,047.16
08/01/2023	5707	Dawn M. Privett	-split-		876.97	X		102,170.19
08/01/2023	5708	Kendell R. Buzard	-split-		41.56			102,128.63
08/01/2023	5709	Mitzi Miller	-split-		41.55	X		102,087.08
08/01/2023	5710	Quentin G Carnes	-split-		41.56	X		102,045.52
08/01/2023	5711	Rick G Ledbetter	-split-		41.56			102,003.96
08/01/2023	5712	Sharon L. Davis	-split-		39.56			101,964.40
08/02/2023			Sale of Shade Balls	Deposit		X	1,426.00	103,390.40
08/03/2023	5713	AT&T	Utilities	#287293593357	78.08	X		103,312.32
08/03/2023	5714	Roosevelt County W...	Utilities	#00004171	195.64	X		103,116.68
08/03/2023	5715	Yucca Telecom	Utilities	#22480	89.95	X		103,026.73
08/03/2023	5716	Jori's Landscape Mai...	-split-		350.00	X		102,676.73
08/07/2023	5717	Roosevelt County El...	Utilities	#753427	1,071.49	X		101,605.24
08/08/2023			Misc. Income	Deposit		X	298.14	101,903.38
08/08/2023	5720	Watermaster	Tree Sales/Windbreak ...	Invoice #PSI-0...	552.90	X		101,350.48
08/14/2023	debit	US Treasury	-split-	85-0324208	532.06	X		100,818.42
08/15/2023	debit	NM Taxation and Re...	Payroll Liabilities	02-194990-005	18.11	X		100,800.31
08/15/2023	debit	NM Taxation and Re...	Taxes-CRS		971.81	X		99,828.50
08/15/2023	5721	Philadelphia Insuran...	Insurance:D&O	#82341190	979.00	X		98,849.50
08/15/2023	5722	El Llano Estacado R...	Dues and Subscriptions	FY2023-2024 ...	100.00			98,749.50
08/15/2023	5723	El Llano Estacado R...	Education Program/Sp...	Prairie Partners...	150.00			98,599.50
08/15/2023	5724	Central Curry SWCD	Education Program/Sp...	Innovative Ag ...	150.00			98,449.50
08/15/2023	5718	Dawn M. Privett	-split-		876.97	X		97,572.53
08/15/2023	5719	Robin L. Griffith	-split-		312.18			97,260.35
08/25/2023			Rental Income	Deposit		X	7,430.00	104,690.35
08/28/2023			Sale of Shade Balls	Deposit		X	1,240.00	105,930.35
08/28/2023	5725	Visa	-split-	#1891	3,602.45			102,327.90
08/28/2023	5726	Cox Refrigeration	Building Expenses:Rep...	Invoice #i68447	696.14			101,631.76
08/28/2023	5727	S.O.S. Waste Dispos...	Utilities	Invoice #195457	84.00	X		101,547.76
08/31/2023			Interest Income	Interest		X	0.86	101,548.62