

MINUTES

Branson - Trinchera
Conservation District

DATE: Wednesday, April 15, 2026

PLACE: Branson, CO (Online School)

TIME: 6:00pm

I. BUSINESS MEETING

A. Call meeting to order and roll call of attendance:

Dale Yocam called the meeting to order at 5:58pm.

- Dale Yocam, President—*present*
- Dick Loudon, Vice President—*absent*
- Harold Unwin, Secretary/Treasurer—*present*
- Lori Green, Member—*present*
- Will Ward, Member—*present*

B. Introduction of Guests: Sammie Molinaro and Lori Chatterley were present.

C. Approval of Minutes from March 18, 2026

Motion to approve minutes: Harold Unwin; Second: Will Ward. Motion carried 4-0.

D. TREASURER'S REPORT

- Income: Mill Levy—none had arrived yet; should be a bigger payment
- Bills: \$1500 Katy Ward trip; \$1500 Sorrel Mosimann trip; \$500 youth day food
- Current Balance: \$50,476.84 (including CD)

Motion to approve the Treasurer's Report: Lori Green; Second: Will Ward. Motion carried 4-0.

E. INCOMING CORRESPONDENCE

1. ACRE3 Grant Program Info.—short discussion on the information

F. OUTGOING CORRESPONDENCE

1. CSCB MG Cost share award notice letters—sent out after last meeting
2. Submitted CSCB MG 1st Qtr. Report—highlighted the underfunding of applicants

G. NEW BUSINESS

1. 2027 CSCB Matching Grant discussion—the board discussed adding variety to the grant to freshen it up and add in partners, such as including Youth Day and Range Judging and add district monies to match the cost-share program; add in demonstration projects.

Motion to apply for the 2027 CSCB MG by Harold Unwin. Second: Will Ward. Motion carried 4-0.

H. OLD BUSINESS

1. CD Reinvestment—already approved; \$12,497.44 is in the checking for now; discussed amount to invest next, round up a bit, Harold is still looking for a good rate.
2. Discussion about Youth Day Tuesday, April 28, 2026—There will be 6-7 stations including 811 (Southeast Colorado Power), Archery (CPW), Riparian Trailer (SP-PRCD Alex), Wildlife/Forestry (BCR Zoe), Range (NRCS Blake), Surveying and Water Cycle (NRCS James/Joe); about 70 kids; B-TCD is providing food (Harold), 9am in Kim
3. Discussion of the 2026 Annual Meeting & Local Working Group (tentatively 12pm on Monday, June 8)—Harold talked to John Robertson who will cook, Lori C. will send out postcards with RSVP by May 31, LWG for about 30 minutes, asking a water witching

presenter, someone from CSCB to attend also (Sammie working on that), also will have a projector to show the annual report.

- I. **OTHER BUSINESS**—Harold gave a report about the Transmission Line meeting. The line is on pause. Other topics were conservation easements, worldwide funds, and the Governor encroaching on County Commissioner's authority.
- J. **NRCS REPORT**—Sammie gave his report: 14 program applications from B-TCD, extremely low or no snow/precipitation reported, open winter so projects are progressing
- K. **DISTRICT TECH. REPORT**—none (SP-PRCD still working on hiring someone, probably Part-Time, should have someone by the next meeting)
- L. **NEXT MEETING**—May 20 at 7:00pm via Zoom & June 8 will be the Annual Meeting, 12:00 @ Kim High School

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Signed: _____

B-TCD District Manger

Date: 4-16-26