

**RCCD Board of Supervisors Meeting
8:15 a.m to 11:00 a.m.
August 19, 2025
Mountain Valley Bank Meeting Room, Curve Plaza
Minutes**

Attending:

Board Members:

Patrick Stanko

Tom Wyman

Kent Sandstedt

Davey Baron

Sharon Clever

Tyler Snyder

1. **Call to Order:**

8:19am/Patrick Stanko

2. **Welcome & Introductions-**

3. **Approval of Meeting Minutes:**

July minutes to be approved next meeting-

4. **Treasurer's Report:** Tom Wyman

Summary - A \$22,690 reimbursement from grant funds was deposited 7/18. These funds will cover the GLCI participant's collar expenditures. We received \$12,604.40 from the state support funding.

Details:

1. Operating Account Balance 1. \$112,330.48 - balance as of 8/16 i. An increase of \$35,318.18 from last month's reported \$77,012.30

2. Revenues

Total YTD = \$37,876.84

Revenue since July meeting includes i. \$3750 - VENDOR PAY STATE OF CO ROUTT COUNTY CONSERVAT NTEROUTT COUNTY CD YR 4 CAPACITY-ROUTT COUNTY CONSERVATION DISTRICT

\$8854.40 - VENDOR PAY STATE OF CO ROUTT COUNTY CONSERVAT NTEDA FY2026 DIRECT ASSISTANCE

\$22,690 - USDA reimbursement of virtual fencing grant money per Katy Bedell's 6/16 reimbursement request. This is a partial grant disbursement and covers the period of 10/8/24 - 3/31/2025.

\$24.45 - interest paid

3. Expenses

Total YTD = \$29,979.29 i. New expenses since July meeting (both are unpaid as of 8/16)

\$50 - Doris/Power Financial Management

\$22,690 - virtual fence collar reimbursement

We can pay the GLCI virtual fencing participants once we receive written requests including a copy of the invoice they received from Vence

Insurer Requesting Confirmation of Equipment to be Covered

From July meeting: *Mountain West Insurance has contacted us on behalf of Hanover asking RCCD to review the list of equipment being insured. Their list includes the Vence*

Base Stations but does not include RCCD's 200 gallon Ag Equipment sprayer. The model and serial number were supplied to Hanover when we took out the equipment policy. I've asked Hanover to update the list to include the sprayer.

Current update: Mountain West had no record of our request to insure the sprayer. Cam forwarded an email thread with a Mountain West employee who has since left the company that requests coverage for the sprayer. It is now insured. I'm waiting to hear whether our rate will increase.

5. Business:

a. Virtual Fence Project Update:

Sharon Clever to pick up invoices/receipts re: Coberly Creek & Wendler, & deliver them to Tom Wyman.

Field Day initially considered for September, deferred pending outcome of Crosho Fire; reschedule to October, TBA- goal remains to promote outreach to local producers. Coberly, Wendler or Fich & Cross, possible host venues. Feature sample collars, base station, introduce upland e-fence model. Alternative to Field Day on ranch site on 10/5 or 10/7, discussed potential of hosting 30 minute event at Mountain

Valley Bank conference room, 10/21, during or after RCCD Board meeting... host online e-fence/operations examples. Vence could be invited to offer continental/donut breakfast to producers to participate-

Halter brand collar systems being considered as alternative to Vence brand, by Yampa Valley Ranch, Chase Hall/Randy /Rowe...

b. Three Year Plan Update:

Soil Health, Forestry/Rangeland Health, Wildfire Mitigation, Water Quality, Weed Control remain primary targets- Patrick Stanko to update & share new three year plan draft.

If Dept of Ag resources are cut, can CAA cooperate/partner with RCCD & other Ag related agencies to still pursue Mill Levy campaign, to collectively benefit each Ag related agency?

Amber Pergolis/CAA with staff to pursue & advise if municipal areas of Routt County are excluded, can/should Mill Levy campaign still be pursued? What may be additional exclusions-

New plan DOLA due date, 1/1/26.

c. Supervisor List Submission:

Due 9/1/25; Pat Stanko reviewing with State Board. Davey Baron nominated by Ty Snyder to VP position, to conduct meetings if President/Pat Stanko absent; Sharon 2nd, Davey Baron accepted.

RCCD Board Recruiting still important; consider nominations, pursue candidate interest-

d. Watershed Meeting 9/17/25 in Craig, CO:

NRCS staffing event; Routt, Rio Blanco, Jackson, Moffit counties participating. Zoom option?

Discussed who can/cannot vote in Conservation Districts; LLCs, Corporations, Partnerships, Sole Proprietorships, or designated individuals who are appointed to vote on specific entity behalf-

6. **Board Member Reports:**

Land Stewardship Class 11/6&8; Next Wild Fire Mitigation Chipping program & Ambassador recruiting underway; Next Weed Advisory Board Mtg 10/23/25, Oak Creek; CAA HDN Farm to Table Event, 9/5; next CAA Board Meeting, 9/25.

7. **NRCS Report:**

Staffing & grant changes underway with latest government announcements for agency downsizing; 25 contracts remain existing... Wolf depredation fund mgt still pending.

8. **Adjournment:**

9:49am/Patrick Stanko