

SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

VSWCD Board of Supervisors

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APRIL—2022

"APRIL HATH PUT THE SPIRIT OF YOUTH IN

EVERYTHING"- THE BARD (SONNET XCVIII)

VSWCD Regular Meeting* via Video/Teleconference Mar.22nd, 2022 4-to-7 PM MTG ID: 947 334 101# See website &/or Page Two for Video Conference Links, or CALL-IN DIRECTLY: +1 469-965-2602,,947334101# **OR** @ the VSWCD District **Office:**

2424 Hwy 47, Belen, NM PO Box #170, Belen NM 87002

*Plz See Page Two for VSWCD's **Public Comment Policy (please** send comments through USPS mail or via email at publicinput@valenciaswcd.org)--

FINAL AGENDA for APRIL 26th, 2022:

Valencia SWCD Regular Board Monthly Meeting

CALL TO ORDER 4:00 P.M.

4:00-Verify quorum, conduct pledge of allegiance and (1) agenda review with changes & approvalChair 4:05-Approval of Mar. 22nd, 2022 Reg. Mtg. Min's:.....Chair (2) 4:10-Public Comments (e.g., emails from public-input@ (3) valenciaswcd.org).....Chair 4:25-District Staff Monthly Report.....Director (4) 4:40–Update on Personnel Actions......Director (5) 4:50-Report Back on April 22-23 Science Fiesta/ Earth (6) Day Celebration Event at WWCA.....Director 5:00— Whitfield Committee Update: Big Hole Fire and (7) updates on WCAC conservation activities, and WWCA Open Hours and GroundsChair 6:00-Aldo Leopold Conservation Award......Director (8) 6:10-Budget & Accounting: (Treasurer) (9) • Month of Mar. 2022 expenditures review & approval Approval of Annual Mil Levy Rate Authorization Submission of FY23 3rd Quarter DFA Report (10) 6:25–Updates/Partner Reports /Correspondence/Other: NMDA Monthly Report (Katie Mechenbier) NRCS Monthly Report MRGCD Monthly Report (Gabby Coughlin) Friends of Whitfield Monthly Report Correspondence (11) 6:45--Supervisor Round Robin......Board *NLT 7 PM ADJOURNMENT.....Chair NEXT VSWCD REG. BOARD MTG: Tuesday, May 24th, 2022

** All Agenda Items may be acted upon by the Board ** >>>>more info page 2>>>>>



- Andrew Hautzinger--District Director
- Madeline Miller Business Manager (Interim)
- Johnny Chavez Conservation Program Manager
- Allison Martin—Education **Program Manager**
- Natalie Duncan—Education Assistant Intern

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Acronyms/Abbreviations:

BEMP = Bosque Environ. Monitoring Program CPM = Conservation Program Manager DD = District Director DFA = Department of Finance and Administration EE = Environmental Educator / EE Manager EVUGP = East Valencia Urban Gardens Program FWWCA = Friends of Whitfield (501c3) GRGWA = Greater Rio Grande Watershed Assoc. HSP = Healthy Soils Program (NMDA) IRSA = Isleta Reach Stewardship Association MRGCD = Middle Rio Grande Conservation District NACD = Nat'l Association of Conservation Districts NMACD=NM Assoc. of Conservation Districts NMACD=NM Assoc. of Conservation Districts NMDA=New Mexico Department of Agriculture NRCS = Natural Resources Conservation Service OMA = Open Meetings Act WWCA = Whitfield Wildlife Conservation Area RACA = Rio Abajo Conservation Area SWCC = NM Soil & Water Conserv. Commission

VSWCD HOSTED MONTHLY MEETING: INFORMATION TO

JOIN our MICROSOFT TEAMS virtual video and teleconference Board Meeting. Tips on JOINING:

- Make sure you have a good internet connection
- If you are joining by computer/laptop, you should be able to join by web or by Microsoft Teams app
- If you are joining by phone/tablet, you might have to download app to join. Or JUST USE <u>*AUDIO ONLY</u>*
- Do a test run and join the meeting when you have a chance, even if it is days in advance, so you can make sure your settings are correct.

If you need help, Contact VSWCD's <u>Johnny Chavez</u>: johnnychavez@valenciaswcd.org or phone : <u>505-917-0657</u> Join our MS-TEAMS Mtg. via computer or mobile app: https://teams.microsoft.com/l/meetup-

join/19%3ameeting_MWQ3NTZjNzUtMDY4YS00NjdjLWIxZTEtY2 JhZTFmYzU0Mzdj%40thread.v2/0?context=%7b%22Tid%22%3a %2207b16c2a-d844-4b14-91ae-

38859875f32f%22%2c%22Oid%22%3a%227a67d841-8679-44dd-be61-c46b1d221d32%22%7d

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Public Comment Policy Statement:

Due to the need to minimize spread of COVID-19 across New Mexico, to keep our communities safe and well, there is a temporary policy for public comments to be read during the livestream remote regular Board meetings until further notice. All public comments for presentation at the meeting must be submitted in writing, with NAME & ADDRESS provided, by mail or email (send to public-<u>input@valenciaswcd.org</u>) <u>UP TO ONE HOUR PRIOR</u> to the start of the meeting. We will check USPS mail no later than 1:00 pm the day before the meeting. Provided comments will be read aloud by a District designate at the meeting. The Chair will keep with the three-minute comment policy per comment to ensure timely conductance of the meeting. The regular policy cited here is for your information when we return to regularly assembled meetings. WHEREAS: The Open Meetings Act NMSA 1978, Chapter 10, Article 15, III Section 10-15-1, Subpart A states "an open public meeting is not necessarily an open forum and, so long as the Act is complied with, public bodies may limit, or not allow public debate and may take steps necessary to maintain public order" and Subpart F states "meeting notices shall include an agenda containing a list of specific items of business to be discussed or transacted at the mtg.". WHEREAS: The Valencia Soil and Water Conservation District (VSWCD) desires to provide opportunity for public *comment at meetings under its purview;*

THEREFORE: In accordance with the Open Meetings Act

- Persons who wish to give comment will so indicate on the sign in sheet prior to start of the meeting.
- Comments need to be received no later than one hour prior to the start of the meeting (either at <u>public-input@valanciaswcd.org</u> or via USPS Post).
- All comments will be limited to 3 minutes and compliance will be enforced to ensure timely conductance of District business.
- Board of Supervisors are under no legal obligation to accept, concur with or record any offered public comment(s).
- Appropriate action(s) will be taken as necessary by the board at the meeting, or otherwise in a timely manner.
 *While this policy pertains to conductance of VSWCD meetings, public comments may also be submitted at any time to the District Director, or public email, as shown below:

Phone: 505-864-8914 Letters: VSWCD Attention District Director PO Box 170, Belen, NM 87002

Email: andrewhautzinger@valenciaswcd.org Public Input email: <u>public-input@valenciaswcd.org</u>