

**EASTERN SANDOVAL CITIZENS ASSOCIATION**  
**Board Meeting Minutes**  
**14 June 2021**  
**4:00 PM**

1. Call to order: Meeting called to order at 4:05pm
2. Roll Call: Present were George Franzen, Peter Adang, John McNerney, Richard Reif, Wayne Gaede, Jim Wiesner, Jean Roberts, and Jim Harre. Absent was Jacques Ramey. A quorum was present.
3. Acceptance of minutes: Minutes were accepted.
4. Introduction of Guests: County Commissioner Kathy Bruch and Mary Rose De Velladares.
5. MONTHLY REPORT
  - A. Treasurer's Report: Wayne Gaede reported a balance on April 30 of \$32,208.22 After additions of \$450.00 for memberships for the month of May and \$0.27 interest, and expenses of \$275.00 for advertising with the Placitas Artists Series, a subscription for Microsoft Office for the Recording Secretary John McNerney, and bank fees of \$10.21, the balance on May 31 is \$32,119.59. LPT had a balance on April 30 of \$32,498.44. After addition of \$0.27 interest and no expenses, the balance on May 31 is \$32,498.71. Details attached.
  - B. IT Report: Jim Harre reports that the website was running normally in May. We are in receipt of an email from Fat Cow, they will require a domain renewal next month. We sent out a flyer about the Casa Rosa sponsored vaccination event to the membership and the HOA coalition. ESCA has 109 active members and 48 joint members for a total of 157 votes. There were 6 renewals, 3 standard and 3 joint. There was a new joint membership, Virginia and Ralph Jordan.
  - C. LPT Report: George Franzen reports that he will ask Mary Rose deVellardares to be inducted to the Board as the LPT contact. He asks her to report on relevant events in Washington. She reports a three pronged approach. 1- the required Resource Management Plan (RMP), 2- the Buffalo Tract Protection Act, and 3- the potential administrative withdrawal of the Buffalo Tract in pending legislation. The RMP is stalled for now. Senator Heinrich has introduced the Buffalo Tract Protection Act but the seat in our Congressional District is vacant due to the appointment of our Member to the Cabinet. We expect that when our New Member Melanie Stansbury takes office that she will introduce the legislation. Administrative withdrawal has been under discussion for several years. Mary Rose de Vellardares will be in discussion in the next few weeks with the Interior Secretary or her office about this, which is within her purview, with the objective to push the process along. County Commissioner Kathy Bruch commented that her office was in touch with the new US Congresswoman for our district and dialogue is ongoing about this issue. On county business, she said road maintenance is ongoing, but has been slowed down by the cost of new materials. She also reported that the county has a new attorney, Michael Eschelmann from Otero County.
6. OLD BUSINESS

Make Changes to By-Laws & Articles of Incorporation so ESCA can donate money: There was discussion about the language to be used in any changes to the By-Laws & Articles of Incorporation. A poll of all Directors was done, and all agreed to the proposed language. Peter Adang moves that the Board recommend and submit to the constituency an amendment in the Articles of Incorporation Article 5 Section 3 changing the power of ESCA to make distributions to organizations exempt from tax under 501c4 by unanimous vote of the full ESCA Board of Directors to any charitable organization operating within ESCA's corporate boundaries. The motion is passed unanimously. Peter Adang moves that the Board recommend and submit to the constituency an amendment in the By-Laws Article 10 Section 1 changing the power of ESCA to make distributions to organizations exempt from tax under 501c4 by unanimous vote of the full ESCA Board of Directors to any charitable organization operating within ESCA's corporate boundaries. The motion is passed unanimously. Motion passes unanimously. Motions to be submitted to ESCA's constituency with an explanation of its meaning. -OPEN Peter Adang, Jean Roberts, Jim Harre-

7. NEW BUSINESS

Vote to Appoint Mary Rose deValladares to the "Land Use Protection Trust": Jim Harre moved to appoint Mary Rose deVallardares to the LPT. Motion carries, Mary Rose deVallardares is appointed to the LPT. -CLOSED-

8. OPEN DISCUSSION

A. Why is the Board making changes to allow donation of money to Charities: See #6, above.

B. Article for July 2021 Signpost: Jean Roberts will submit an article summarizing the Board's activity to the Signpost.

9. Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 5:20pm

Next meeting 12 July 2021, Virtual zoom meeting, **AT 4:00PM**