

EASTERN SANDOVAL CITIZENS ASSOCIATION
Board Meeting Minutes
11 March 2024
4:00 PM

- A. Call to order.** President George Franzen called the meeting to order at 4:03 pm at the Placitas Community Library.
- B. Roll Call.** Directors present, representing a quorum: George Franzen, Wayne Gaede, Jim Harre, Phil Messuri, Rich Reif, Jean Roberts, and Myron Temchin. Jacques Ramey was absent.
- C. Minutes:** Minutes from the February meeting were approved.
- D. Introduction of Guests:** Land Protection Trust (LPT) Chair Mary-Rose de Valladares.

E. Monthly Reports

1. Treasurer's Report: Wayne Gaede reported a balance for ESCA in US Bank as of the end of last month of \$5,346.39. Income included \$600 in dues and \$0.01 interest. Expenses included the annual meeting costs of 61.95, and bank fees of \$15.90. At US Eagle, ESCA had a balance at the end of last month of \$35,620.28. Income included \$0.03 in interest on the savings account and \$123.71 on the CD, and no expenses. The total of ESCA's accounts at both institutions was \$40,966.67.

The US Bank balance for LPT as of last month was \$2,302.90, with no income or expenses for the month. The US Eagle account balance for LPT at the end of last month was \$30,555.98. Income for the month was \$0.03 in interest on the savings account, \$106.03 in interest on the CD, and no expenses. The total of LPT's accounts at both institutions was \$32,858.88.

Wayne reported that Karen Cox has in hand our financial records, which she is reviewing for accuracy.

2. IT Report: Jim Harre reported that website backup problems cited last month have been resolved. He also reported one new membership and 10 renewals. We have 47 standard members and 34 joint members, for a total of 115 votes.
3. Land Protection Trust (LPT) Report: Mary-Rose de Valladares reported that the 30-day comment period on the BLM's proposed administrative withdrawal of the Buffalo Tract from mining is almost closed.

F. Old Business:

1. District Directors Function on the ESCA Board of Directors: George and Phil Messuri provided the board with proposed bylaw changes to eliminate District Director positions and make all board positions At-Large Directors. Jim Harre moved that the proposed language be sent to

ESCA members for approval as required. Phil seconded the motion. After discussion, the motion passed unanimously. Jim will prepare the email to members. OPEN – Jim.

2. Adopt-A-Highway: Phil confirmed that the next highway cleanup is scheduled for April 27, 9-11 am. Jim will send a notice to ESCA members. OPEN—Phil, Jim.

G. New Business:

1. Approval of New Board Member: George confirmed that Myron Temchin has joined the ESCA Board, as approved by Board members in an email vote. CLOSED
2. Placitas Chamber of Commerce: As requested by the Chamber’s new President, George will send a notice to ESCA’s HOA Coalition offering Chamber membership. Jean Roberts provided an update on the revitalized Chamber Board and plans for the June 1 Placitas Appreciation Day. George confirmed that he has reserved a spot for ESCA; details will be discussed at a future meeting. OPEN--Board
3. Status of the Buffalo Tract Project: Myron provided an overview of initial plans for recreational development of the Buffalo Tract. He will continue to keep the board informed. CLOSED

H. Open Discussion:

1. Signpost article: No article needed at this time.

- I. Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 6:00 pm.

Next meeting: 4:00 pm, April 8, 2024, at the Placitas Community Library.