

EASTERN SANDOVAL CITIZENS ASSOCIATION  
Board Meeting Minutes  
June 9 ,2025,  
Meeting Held via Zoom

**A. Call to order:** President George Franzen called the meeting to order at 4:05 pm.

**B. Roll Call:**

Directors present, representing a quorum: George Franzen, Wayne Gaede, Jim Harre, Phil Messuri, Rich Reif.

Directors absent: Gary Madee and Jean Roberts. One Board position is vacant

Also present: Mary-Rose de Valladares, Co-Chair, Land Protection Trust.

**C. Minutes:** Minutes from the January meeting were approved via email.

**D. Introduction of Guests:** None

**E. Monthly Reports**

Treasurer's Reports - ESCA and LPT: See Wayne's official Treasurer's reports for details

Wayne Gaede reported a total balance for ESCA in US Bank combined with US Eagle Credit Union of \$42,775.74

Wayne Gaede reported a total balance for LPT in US Bank combined with US Eagle Credit Union of \$34,466.11.

IT Report: Jim Harre reported membership at 41 individuals and 32 Joint members for a total of 105 paid members. He received three renewals in May

LPT Report: Mary Rose guided this portion of the meeting.

Mary Rose's comments: Buffalo Tract legislation has not been dealt with by new administration. She connected with Senator Heinrich's office, which is aware of ongoing efforts concerning the Buffalo Tract but this is not one of their key priorities. There is a technical meeting on Thursday June 12<sup>th</sup> to include Mary Rose Valledares, BLM, Myron Temchin, LPA personnel and SWCA Inc Environmental personnel. She reported that the contractual efforts are a "little behind" because the trail design efforts must begin with BLM's 2018 approved trails, which are fully documented. Many "Social trails" have since occurred. Social trails per BLM terminology are the informal trails made by hikers, bikers and horses. Mary Rose felt Myron was doing a very good job catching up to the 2018 starting point and the subsequent network of trails.

Phil Messuri reported as follows: On Friday, June 6<sup>th</sup>, my wife, Diann, and I accompanied Jackie Leyba of BLM, and we went to the East End of the Buffalo track. There is a small parking lot at the juncture of Camino de las Huertas and Camino de la Rosa Castillo. We parked and had a 45-minute conversation.

Vulcan Report: George reported on a tour of the reclaimed land. The area has been leveled with fifty feet of dirt being added to the mined area. A seeding contract has not been let out.

Coronado and Soil Report: There was no report on the Fuel Reduction Program.

#### **F. Old Business**

A. Results of 2024 survey responses are being studied. - Open

B. Report on an Air Quality Monitoring System was postponed indefinitely. – Closed

C. Placitas Appreciation Day: Phil and Rich reported that the event was well-attended. Roughly half of the people who stopped by the ESCA table were familiar with ESCA and appreciated our efforts. The purpose and functions of ESCA were explained to others, and informative literature was distributed.- Closed

#### **G. New Business**

There was no new business.

#### **H. Open Discussion**

A. Discussion of future projects is continuing.

B. There is no new information on the use of the library video system for ESCA board meetings.

C. George indicated that the Board needed to begin thinking about the annual meeting. He suggested that the format be like last year's meeting at the library, possibly including other local non-profits.

The meeting was adjourned. Next Board meeting 14 July 2025, 4:00 pm.

Minutes prepared by Rich Reif and Phil Messuri