

# BARNES COUNTY SOIL CONSERVATION DISTRICT

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## Minutes of Meeting

November 12, 2014  
District Office / USDA Building  
Valley City, ND 58072

### Board Members Present:

Diane Olson, Vice Chairman  
Charlene Stenson  
Shelly Nelson

### Others: Lori Frank, 319 Coord.

Jason Elston, Tech.  
Karen Olstad, Sec, Treas.  
Amanda Brandt, NRCS DC

The November meeting was called to order by Vice-Chairman Olson at 2:00 PM at the District Office in Valley City, ND.

Minutes of the October 15, 2014 regular meeting were reviewed and Vice-Chairman Olson declared those minutes approved as mailed.

### FINANCIAL:

A list of bills paid during October 2014 was reviewed by the Board along with the Financial Report from October 2014. Stenson made a motion, seconded by Nelson, to approve the bills paid and accept the October Financial Report. Voting: Nelson, aye; Olson, aye; and Stenson, aye. Motion carried.

### CORRESPONDENCE:

**From Brian Johnston, NDASCD:** Ordering procedure and dates.

**From NDASCD Auxiliary:** Invitation to spouses to Auxiliary activities.

### REPORTS:

**Office Report:** District Conservationist Amanda Brandt submitted the attached report.

**Watershed Report/Eco-Ed Report/Firewise:** Lori Frank submitted the attached report. Along with her report, she submitted the training requirements for a watershed coordinator and supervisors.

**Technician Report:** Technician Elston reported that the equipment has been cleaned up and put away for the winter. He has about 70,000 feet of trees contracted for next spring, largely due to cost share from the Heritage Fund. The pump was discussed. We have three options according to the ND Department of Health since the pump was purchased through the 319 project: (1) Sell the pump and reinvest the proceeds in another water quality enhancement implement. (2) Transfer the pump to another 319 sponsor who will use it for the same purpose since the ND DOH is 60% owner of the pump (3) Trade in the pump for a more transport-friendly version. Elston will explore these options this winter. In the meantime, the pump has been shedded for the winter.

### OLD BUSINESS:

**NDASCD ANNUAL MEETING:** Olstad reported that reservations have been made for Mueller's, Olson, Stenson, and Frank. An important issue to be discussed is the nursery license applications by districts.

### NEW BUSINESS:

**Tree Shed:** It was noted that the district tree shed is in need of repair. This will be discussed at future meetings.

**ADJOURN:**

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, the meeting adjourned at 3:00 PM. The next scheduled meeting of the Board is December 10<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Karen Olstad".

S/ Karen Olstad, Sec/Treas.

Approved: 12/10/14



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**NRCS Activity Report  
to the  
Barnes County Soil Conservation District Board**

Date: November 12<sup>th</sup>, 2014

By: Amanda Brandt - District Conservationist

The field office has been busy working on the following:

- Conservation Technical Assistance (CTA) Planning with producers
- Checking out and submitting payment for completed conservation practices in EQIP, WRP & CSP Contracts
- Wetland determination and mitigation paperwork
- **Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) Deadline:**
  - Set for November 14<sup>th</sup> 2014- THIS FRIDAY!
    - Local Work Group, PPW&GRP, Organic, Energy, High Tunnels & Honey Bee Pollinator Effort
- **Wetland Reserve Easement (WRE) sign up deadline:**
  - November 21<sup>st</sup> 2014- Next Friday.
- **Meetings:**
  - NDASCD- I will be attending the 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>.
  - 2014 Soil & Water Conservation Society (SWCS) Annual meeting & technical workshop in Mandan- see brochure for more information- anyone welcome to attend.
  - Attended the Water Board meeting on Monday the 10<sup>th</sup>.
- **Other:** Curt will be acting as the District Conservationist in the Wahpeton Field Office from November 17<sup>th</sup> to December 15<sup>th</sup>. So he will be in that office off and on for that time.
- **Leave:**
  - I will be off tomorrow and Friday (13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup>).
  - I will also be gone December 19<sup>th</sup> through 21<sup>st</sup>.

## SCD Board Meeting

Nov. 12, 2014

### Outdoor Heritage Grant:

Rec'd 2<sup>nd</sup> payment 11-12-14 \$23,938.59

Velure – cross fence

Bartz – cross fence, contractor backed out

Jungles – waiting on receipts for well, pipeline, tanks

Eberle – Partial manure mgt

D. Berntson – x-fence

Stensland – bid opening Sept. 3, will rebid in early spring

M. Berntson – cover crop

C. Peterson – waiting on design

Cook – spring dev ?

J. Elston – septic reno

D. Steffen – have receipts for tanks & pipeline

Completed Projects: \$73,234.66

Kjelland – septic reno

Sauer – critical area planting

Lausch – hayland pltg

Eberle – hayland pltg

PBJ Inc- cover crops

Metcalf –diversion

Jungles-fence, pltg

P. Heinze – septic

D. Berntson – dugout repair

Logan – critical area

Barnes Co Hwy-eroded sites

S. Smith – winter grazing

VC Parks- riverbank

J. Broten- cover crop

### WILDFIRE Grant:

5 renovations to be reported end of Dec.

½ of Winter Show booth

### Eco-Ed:

Sent in 10 county reports this month (16 last month) Williams Co. left

Newsletter at printers: all SCD supervisors, districts & Elementary Principals

Assisting Tyler Jacobsen with VC task force presentations