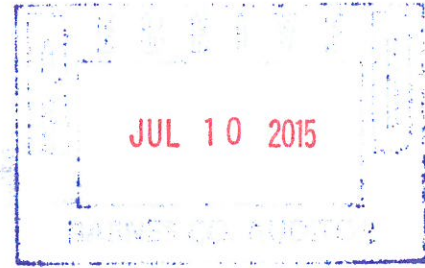


BARNES COUNTY SOIL CONSERVATION DISTRICT

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Minutes of Meeting

July 8, 2015
District Office / USDA Building
Valley City, ND 58072



Board Members Present:
Brad McKay, Chairman
Bill Bertram
Diane Olson, Vice Chairman
Charlene Stenson
Shelly Nelson

Others:
Curt Francis, NRSC
Jason Elston, Tech.
Jill Olson, Sec/Treas
Alex Reyes

The July meeting was called to order by Chairman McKay at 8:15 AM at the District Office in Valley City, ND. Minutes of the June 18, 2015, board meeting were reviewed and Chairman McKay declared those minutes approved as mailed.

FINANCIALS:

A list of receipts and bills paid during June 2015, along with the outstanding bills due from producers were reviewed by the Board. McKay made a motion to approve the Financials with Bertram and D. Olson second. Voting: McKay, aye; D. Olson, aye; and Stenson, aye; Bertram, aye, Nelson aye. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. None at this time.

REPORTS:

Office Report: Acting District Conservationist Curt Francis stated that we had our QAR last week with an acceptable rating. Amanda will touch base on this more at the next meeting.

Technician Report: Technician Elston reported that he started renovations this week with the Terry Bryn Farm as the first site.

Watershed Report: Lori was out of the office promoting the Forest Service Grant but shared the attached report.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Jason has an interest buyer – Jay Mathern in Lamoure County for the water reel. If and when the deal is made, Jason would like to purchase a new, smaller reel that will be more efficient in weight and size but would do roughly the same work as the old one. Jason also stated with the purchase of the new reel, using the funds gained from sale, 319 funds would pay the difference to boot costing the District no money on the new reel. D. Olson made a motion to sell reel to Mathern and to purchase a new reel pending the sale of the old reel. Nelson second motion. Voting: Chairman McKay, Vice Chairman D. Olson, Bertram, Nelson, Stenson all in favor aye. Motion Carried.
2. David Hopkins NDSU Soil Science letter of request for funds was reviewed by the board. Dr. Hopkins once again requested funding from our county on his grant, researching erosion. After review and discussion that Stutsman County and Cass County donated funds, Chairman McKay made a motion to grant Dr. Hopkins \$3,500.00, second by Bertram. Voting: Chairman McKay, Vice Chairman D. Olson, Nelson, Stenson, Bertram all in favor, aye. Motion carried. A letter was drafted by Jill Olson on behalf of BCSCD to Dr. Hopkins and his office stating Barnes County support and a request for a news article for our upcoming newsletter in Sept./Oct.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. None at this time.

Other: Board member Shelly Nelson requested that the BCSCD Board Members and Staff look into getting new jackets embroidered with the BCSCD logo. Last Jacket representing the District was quite a few years ago and are looking tattered. Jill will look into options with local printing businesses for jacket prices and logo pricing to present at the next meeting.

ADJOURN:

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, the meeting adjourned. The next meeting is scheduled for August 11th at 8:00am.

Respectfully submitted,



S/ Jill Olson, Sec/Treas.

Approved:

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SCD Board Meeting
July 8th, 2015

Outdoor Heritage Grant: \$200,000 approved, just waiting for the contract to be sent out☺

Contracted for 2015: \$181,191.35 of cost-share

Velure – cross fence	Bjerke – cross fence, have started
Bartz – cross fence	D. Berntson – x-fenc
M. Dahl – cover crops	Jungles – cover crops
Stensland – in progress	Wittenberg- in progress
B. Roehrich – x-fence, range pltg	W. Cook – Pipeline, tank
Kvein – artesian well sealing	M.Heinze- portable panels
D. Steffen – tank & pipeline	J.Sorby – grazing mgt
M.Pritchett- septic reno	

Completed Projects: \$189,435.05 cost-share paid out

Kjelland – septic reno	Metcalf –diversion	Barnes Co Hwy-eroded sites
Sauer – critical area planting	Jungles-fence,pltg,well,pipeline	S.Smith – winter grazing
Lausch – hayland pltg	P.Heinze – septic	VC Parks- riverbank
Eberle – hayland pltg, wndbrk	D.Berntson – dugout repair	J.Brotten- cover crop
PBJ Inc- cover crops	Logan – critical area	M.Berntson-cover crop
Steffen- pipeline, 2 tanks	Amann – portable windbreak	Dieterle- septic system
Eberle – cross fencing	B. Emery – hayland pltg	Steffen – pasture pltg

Not under contract yet:

9 th St Project – erosion control	M. Heinze – portable windbreak
Diegel – well, pipeline, tanks, x-fence	J. Stevens – spring development

Remaining OHF Balance will be - \$20,923.49

319 Sedimentation Reduction Grant: Expenditures 4-1-2014 to 5-31-2015 \$126,500.71

Wildfire Grant:

15 assessments completed in May -June

6 renovations lined up for this summer

Will do Valley City Assessment this summer

Have spent: \$54,026.37 (\$46,529.40 on BMP's) Award was for \$300,000.00

Eco-Ed: Field visits state-wide

July:

7th & 8th out west for field visits

17th – NDASCD meeting