

BARNES COUNTY SOIL CONSERVATION DISTRICT

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Minutes of Meeting

July 24, 2019

District Office / USDA Building
Valley City, ND 58072

Board Members Present:

Pete Paulson

Diane Olson

Charlene Stenson, Vice Chairman

Bob Bruns

Others:

Jason Elston, Tech

Jill Olson, Sec/Treasure

Brent Gustafson, CDU Supervisor

The July meeting was called to order by Stenson at 8:05 am in the District Office in Valley City, ND. Minutes from the June 19th, 2019 board meeting were reviewed, Stenson declared those minutes approved as emailed.

FINANCIALS:

A list of receipts and bills paid during June 2019, were reviewed by the Board. Paulson made a motion to accept the June 2019 financial statement as presented with Bruns seconding it. All in favor aye. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Reviewed the Resolution memo.
2. Reviewed the tentative schedule for Sunday evening at the convention.

Office Report: Brent Gustafson, CDU Supervisor stated that they are working on hiring a DC for our office, hopefully by October. Brent is overseeing the counties of Barnes, Cass, Steele, Trail. Working through changes, staffing and the new structure system of the NRCS. Any questions, please feel free to contact him.

Technician Report: Jason went over his attached report, see report.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Clausen Springs –Jill and Jason attended the training at Americinn. We have received the first billing from VCSU on the Clausen Springs Project. Jason and Jill will be land surveying in the month of August.

NEW BUSINESS:

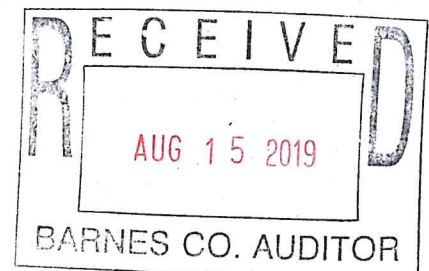
1. Jill will be attending the tech grant DART training in Lamoure on July 25th.
2. Eco Ed for Barnes Co. is September 3rd and the 5th.

ADJOURN:

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, the meeting adjourned. The next meeting is scheduled for August 14th, 2019 8:00am.

Respectfully submitted,
S/ Jill Olson, Sec/Treas.
Approved: 08.14.19

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Technician Report- July 2019

- Trees
 - Finished W/B on June 18th-Still have 1 site (Dazey) that is planted with no WB, too wet!
 - All payment requests have been sent out. Several payments are still outstanding.
 - June 21st surplus tree sale
 - Tree cooler cleaned and bleached.
- Grants
 - OHF Tree grant currently batching until August 30th 2019. 75% cost share on the total cost of tree planting projects. Must meet soil suitability requirements. 1,600ft Min./40,000ft Max.
 - I have 15 producers to contact for potential grant applications. Also put an article in the newsletter that went out July 23.
 - Contacted Parks and Rec. about Riparian Park Grant. Talked with Genny and Barnes SCD ranked 9 out of 17. If Parks and Recs receives their funding, we should be funded. Probably will not be funded in time to install restrooms this fall.
- Drill, park and misc.
 - Drill has been routed to 14 sites this year and continues to be very busy.
 - Assisted Jill in installing garden at park and general upkeep.
 - July 17th attended PTMApp training in Valley City per Greg Sandness' recommendation.
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