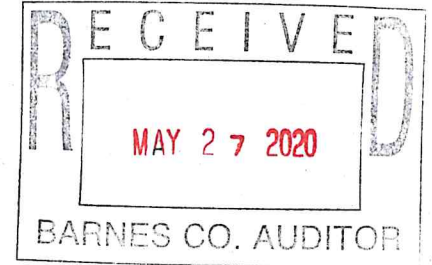


BARNES COUNTY SOIL CONSERVATION DISTRICT

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Minutes of Meeting
March 17, 2020
USDA Building
Valley City, ND 58072



Board Members Present:
Charlene Stenson
Diane Olson via phone
Pete Paulson
Bob Bruns

Others:
Jason Elston, Tech
Rani Lloyd DC
Jill Olson, Clerk

The March meeting was called to order by Stenson at 3:30pm at the USDA Building in Valley City, ND. Minutes from the February 19th, 2020 board meeting were reviewed, Stenson declared those minutes approved as presented.

FINANCIALS:

A list of receipts and bills paid during February 2020, were reviewed by the Board. Paulson made a motion to accept the February 2020 financial statement as presented with Bruns seconding it. All in favor aye. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Reviewed the thank you note from Dickey Co.
2. Reviewed the Zoning Board letter
- 3.

Office Report: Rani Lloyd, DC introduced herself and reviewed her attached report, see report.

Technician Report: Jason went over what he has been doing. He worked the Winter Show for a week, went to Tree Promotion for 3 days. Attended the PTMAP training in Jamestown. Ordered Weed Barrier for this season. Scheduled tree pickup with Lincoln Oakes for April 29th. Need to coordinate with Towner Nursery and Big Sioux. Still taking tree orders. After the Winter Show more people have been in to order trees. As for Clausen Springs grant, he is at a point where field checks are needed along with visits with producers and updated information from Andre Delorme.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Clausen Springs – waiting on the new contract with VCSU and the new grant to sign.
2. 2020 Charlene is up for re-election in November. She will be seeking re-election.
3. 2021 Mill Levy request reviewed and ready to submit.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Fund Request for Envirothon was tabled until next election.
2. Earth Day Festival – Paulson made a motion to donate 25 trees once again, Bruns second the motion, all in favor aye, motion carried.
3. Clothing allowance/budget. Last year the board granted each full-time employee \$200 in clothing allowance. Bruns made a motion to continue with that amount for this year, Paulson second the motion, all in favor aye, motion carried.

ADJOURN:

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, the meeting adjourned. The next meeting is scheduled for April 8th, 2020 3:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,
S/ Jill Olson, Sec/Treas.
Approved 05-13-2020

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

March 17, 2020

By: Rani Lloyd—District Conservationist

PROGRAMS:

EQIP:

- Application deadline March 27th.
 - Currently have 3 applications.

CSP:

- Application deadline May 29th.
 - Currently have 2 applications.

EASEMENTS:

- No batching date at this time.

CONSERVATION CLIENT GATEWAY:

- Looking for volunteers.

Office Staff Update:

- **Melissa** remains detailed to Bottineau. She has accepted a District Conservationist position in MN and will start that on April 12th.

Acronyms:

EQIP: Environmental Quality Incentives Program

CSP: Conservation Stewardship Program

WRE: Wetland Reserve Easement

CRP: Conservation Reserve Program

CDU: Conservation Delivery Unit

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