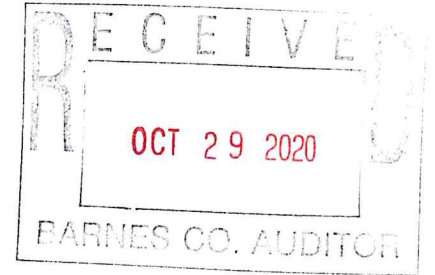


# BARNES COUNTY SOIL CONSERVATION DISTRICT

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Minutes of Meeting  
September 16th, 2020  
Tree Shed  
Valley City, ND 58072



Board Members Present:  
Charlene Stenson  
Diane Olson  
Pete Paulson  
Bob Bruns  
Shelly Nelson

Others:  
Jason Elston, Tech  
  
Jill Olson, Clerk

The September meeting was called to order by Stenson at 8:15 am at the Tree Shed Building in Valley City, ND. Minutes from the August 12<sup>th</sup> and the 24<sup>th</sup>, 2020 board meetings were reviewed, Stenson declared those minutes approved as presented.

## FINANCIALS:

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

## CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Reviewed the survey results from the Nov. Convention. It seems that almost all of the counties want to honor the awards winners from 2020 in 2021. The convention will be in Fargo next year. There will be a business meeting and area meeting in November. Registration is due next month.

**Office Report:** Matt Shappell was unable to attend.

**Technician Report:** Jason stated that the tractor is here and at Valley Plains Equipment. It will be ready soon to pick up. He will be working at the park on the site where the new restroom is to be put. The restroom will be delivered September 24<sup>th</sup>. He landscaped around the shed to help prevent erosion from the rains and protect the tree that keeps getting washed out. He handed out a county survey regarding health insurance coverage for the board to review and discuss at his evaluation.

## OLD BUSINESS:

1. The tractor loan was approved, signed and the loan proceeds are deposited. When the tractor is ready to go, Jill will drop off a check for the remaining balance.

## NEW BUSINESS:

1. Awards winners for the County, 2 nominations from this year, Bruce and Carol Schmitt for Farmstead Windbreak and Brad and Rose Knutson for Backyard Stewardship. Nelson made a motion to bump these winners until 2021 due to Covid 19 and social distancing. Paulson second the motion, all in favor aye, motion carried.
2. There was discussion on all of our accounts at Wells Fargo. Since we now have our loan and certificate of deposit at Dacotah Bank, Nelson made a motion to close all of our accounts at Wells Fargo and move them to Dacotah Bank. Bruns second the motion, all in favor aye, motion carried. Jill will get in touch with Dacotah Bank and Wells Fargo to get this process started.

## ADJOURN:

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, the meeting adjourned. The next meeting is scheduled for October 22<sup>th</sup>, 2020. The locations to be determined.

Respectfully submitted,  
S/ Jill Olson, Sec/Treas.  
Approved 10.22.2020