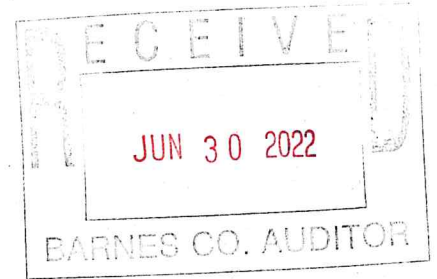


BARNES COUNTY SOIL CONSERVATION DISTRICT

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Minutes of Meeting
May 10th, 2022
USDA Building
Valley City, ND 58072



Board Members Present:

Charlene Stenson
Diane Olson
Bob Bruns
Shelly Nelson
Mardy Dahl

Others:

Jason Elston, Tech
Jill Olson, Clerk
Shelby Larson, DC
Brent Gustafson, CDU Supervisor

The May meeting was called to order by Stenson at 7:00am at the USDA Building, Valley City, ND. Minutes from the April 12th, 2022 board meeting were reviewed, Stenson declared those minutes approved as presented.

FINANCIALS:

A list of receipts and bills paid during April 2022, were reviewed by the Board. Bruns made a motion to accept the April financial statement as presented, Nelson seconding it. All in favor aye. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Reviewed the meeting minutes from NDASCD. Discussed the minutes. Listed some questions to ask our Area II representative Keith Bartholomay when we meet with him.

Office Report: Reviewed Shelby's attached report, see report. Jill will invite Alicia Harstad the new extension agent to the next board meeting.

Technician Report: Jason reported that we have picked up trees from 2 of the 3 nurseries. Towner Trees will not be available until May 19th. The hand plant pickup dates are May 14th and May 21st from 9 until noon. We are storing 150 10ft trees for the Highway dept. temporarily. He has a crew lined up for tree planting.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Long Range Plan – reviewed and revised again. Jill will implement changes and bring to the next board meeting for review.
2. Election – Shelly Nelson is up for re-election in November. Jill gave Shelly all the paperwork she needs to have completed and returned to the county in September.
3. 2022 Soil Conservation Achievement Program. After some discussion, Nelson made a motion to nominate Richard and Karen Monson for the award. Stenson second the motion, all in favor aye, motion carried. Jill will contact Monson's and fill out the appropriate paperwork.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Keith Bartholomay – will possibly join us at our June meeting.

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, the meeting adjourned. The next meeting is scheduled for June 15th 8am, 2022. The next meeting will be at the field office meeting room.

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

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NRCS Activity Report
Barnes County Soil Conservation District Board

May 10th, 2022

Shelby Larson, District Conservationist (DC)

Alex is on paternity leave, until June 20th

Valley City office will be getting a summer intern employee (Pathways Trainee). Start date is May 23rd. His name is Lucas Edgerly.

Cody has been working on CRP's for the four counties and helping LaMoure with EQIP

The 2 EQIP applications that we submitted have officially been approved and obligated for funding

Include: no-till, cover crops, cross fencing, pipeline, water tank, and prescribed grazing

FSA is also having more CRP signups, including a grasslands CRP

NRCS employees are all back to regular in office schedule. Some employees have 1 day of telework/week.

Employees were granted 4 hours off Monday May 9th for Public Service Recognition