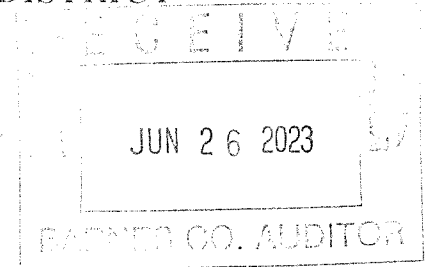


BARNES COUNTY SOIL CONSERVATION DISTRICT

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Minutes of Meeting
April 12th, 2023
USDA Building
Valley City, ND 58072



Board Members Present:

Charlene Stenson
Carl Pederson
Mardy Dahl
Shelly Nelson
Bob Bruns

Others:

Jason Elston, Tech
Jill Olson, Clerk
VCSU students
Jodi Delozier – NDSU Extension

The April meeting was called to order by Stenson at 9:05am at the USDA Building, Valley City, ND. Minutes from the March 2023 board meeting were reviewed, Stenson declared those minutes approved as presented.

FINANCIALS:

A list of receipts and bills paid during March 2023, were reviewed by the Board. Bruns made a motion to accept the March financial statement as presented with Nelson seconding it. All in favor aye. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Reviewed all correspondence.

Technician Report: Jason reported that all his contracts but 3 are back. Jason and Jill also discussed the 319 email from Emilee. There really isn't a targeted area along the Sheyenne to write a 319 grant on. Discussion on visiting producers throughout the year to see if there is a need on Ashtabula on problem areas. Bring ideas or problems back to the table to discuss. Revisit the 319 grant in 2024.

Office Report: Shelby was out, but Jason went over the civil rights hand out and got signatures.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. VCSU – working on a new logo for Barnes Co. SCD. Will meet on April 26th 9:15am to finalize logo.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Scholarships – tabled until June meeting to allow more time for students to submit.
2. Jodi – NDSU Extension – discussion on the mill levy request, why we aren't receiving our full request. Jodi will be attending the commissioners budgeting meeting in July along with the supervisors to review why we aren't receiving full funding.
3. Supervisors pay – Nelson made a motion to increase the rate of pay from \$50 per meeting along with mileage to \$60 per meeting and mileage. Pederson second the motion, all in favor aye, motion carried.
4. Stipend for insurance for employees – after discussion and noting that insurance premiums have risen over the last year, Bruns made a motion to increase the monthly stipend for Jill and Jason for insurance compensation to go from \$525 per month to \$600 per month retro to the first of the year. Dahl second the motion, all in favor aye, motion carried.

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, the meeting adjourned. The next meeting is scheduled for April 26th 2023 at 9am. The next meeting will be at the field office meeting room.

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

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