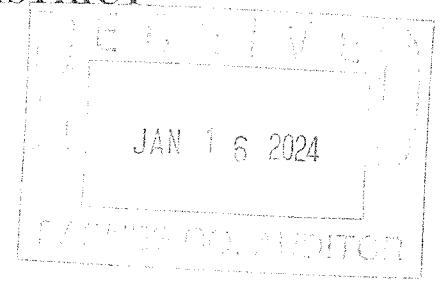


# BARNES COUNTY SOIL CONSERVATION DISTRICT

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Minutes of Meeting  
December 13th, 2023  
NRCS field office – board room  
Valley City, ND 58072



**Board Members Present:**

Charlene  
Bob Bruns  
Mardy Dahl  
Carl Pederson

**Others:**

Jason Elston  
Jill Olson, Clerk  
Shelby Larson

The December meeting was called to order by Stenson at 3:45pm at the NRCS field office building – board room of Valley City, ND. Minutes from the November 2023 board meeting were reviewed, Stenson declared those minutes approved as presented.

**FINANCIALS:**

Reviewed the November financials. Bruns made a motion to accept the November financials. Dahl second the motion. All in favor aye, motion carried.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

1. Reviewed all the thank you's and Christmas cards.

**Technician Report:** Jason reported on the Annual Convention. He also reported that we finally received the OHF check for the 2023 tree plans. Next year's OHF contracts are in, 14 of them. They are all signed and sent in. Weed barrier is ordered. Will pay for it in January. The no till drill is put away for the year. It needs some work done to it in the spring. The white truck is also in need of some repairs and maintenance after the first of the year.

**Office Report:** Shelby reviewed her attached report. See report.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

1. Evaluations were done on November 20<sup>th</sup>. The board approved a 4% pay raise.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Supervisor Training was done.
2. Mill Levy for 2023 and 2024 was discussed via the report.

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, the meeting adjourned. The next meeting is scheduled for January 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024 3pm, board room.

Respectfully submitted,

S/ Jill Olson, Sec/Treas.

Approved:

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# BARNES COUNTY SOIL CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Minutes of Reorganizational Meeting  
December 13, 2023  
USDA Building  
Valley City, ND 58072

Present:	Others:
Mardy Dahl	
Carl Pederson	Jill Olson, clerk
Charlene Stenson	
Shelly Nelson, via phone	
Bob Bruns	

This Reorganizational meeting was called by Chairman Stenson at 5:10 p.m.

Stenson made a motion to appoint Carl Pederson to a one year term. Bruns second the motion all in favor aye motion carried.

Bruns made a motion to appoint Mardy Dahl to a one year term. Stenson second the motion, all in favor aye motion carried.

Pederson made a motion to appoint Stenson as Chairman, Bruns second the motion all in favor aye motion carried.

Stenson made a motion to appoint Bruns as Vice Chairman, Dahl second the motion all in favor aye motion carried.

Dahl made a motion to appoint Jill Olson to the office of secretary/treasurer of the Barnes County SCD. Stenson seconded the motion. All in favor aye, motion carried.

Stenson made a motion, seconded by Pederson, to schedule the regular Barnes Co. SCD meetings on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month. Spring, Summer, Fall meetings at 7 or 8am and Winter meetings at 3 or 4pm. All in favor aye, motion carried.

Bruns made a motion to keep Wells Fargo Bank, Valley City, as official depository for District funds, Dahl second the motion, all in favor aye, motion carried.

Stenson made a motion to keep the one Certificates of Deposit at Dacotah Bank in Valley City. Dahl second the motion, all in favor aye, motion carried.

A unanimous ballot was cast to continue the standing committee assignments. All in favor aye, motion carried.

The Reorganizational meeting for 2023 was concluded at 5:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jill Olson  
Secretary/Treasurer/Clerk  
Approved:



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**NRCS Activity Report**  
**Barnes County Soil Conservation District Board**  
December 13<sup>th</sup>, 2023  
Shelby Larson, District Conservationist (DC)

A lot of CRP action in the office with new plantings and expiring contracts, Cody should be finishing up the onsite reviews for the expiring contracts

Cody, Jason and I attend the SCD convention November 13-15. All DC's were told to attend

Bryan's last day was at the end of November

New part time employee is supposed to start on the 18<sup>th</sup> (Monday). This employee will be under the wetlands department

Ranking for WRE-IRA was due last Friday the 8<sup>th</sup> we had 4 applicants, but a few with eligibility not being met

Ranking for the general WRE is due the 29<sup>th</sup>

EQIP application ranking is due February 2<sup>nd</sup> we have 4 applications- one coming over from Stutsman county

Happy Holidays!!