

BROOKINGS CONSERVATION DISTRICT BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MINUTES OF MEETING
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2017 AT 8:15 AM **CONFERENCE ROOM**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Darrell DeBoer, Rick Kerr, Jerry Oines,

ABSENT: John Heylens, Kirk Steege, Joel Koch – Advisor, Chuck Zink – Advisor, Mark Stime - Advisor

OTHERS PRESENT: Joan Crooks, Jon Finnegan, Tabithia Scott – NRCS District Conservationist; Jenna Clark – BCCD Public Relations Specialist

Chairman Kerr called the meeting to order at 8:23 am.

Jerry Oines moved, second by Darrell DeBoer to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

The minutes of the October 4, 2017 board meeting were sent to the supervisors prior to the meeting. Jerry Oines moved, second by Darrell DeBoer to approve the minutes. Motion carried.

NRCS OFFICE REPORT – Tabithia Scott, District Conservationist, reported on NRCS activities (see attached).

CONSERVATION PLANS – none

TREASURER’S REPORT:

General Fund Balance (10/31/17)	\$ 28,075.50
Money Market II	\$ 80,607.00
Big Sioux Water Festival	\$ 8,438.51
Accounts Receivable (as of 10/31/17)	\$ 4,271.03
 <u>Accounts Payable</u>	
JD 1590 No-Till Drill Purchase (5 pmts - \$4,772.62/yr. beginning 7/10/15)	\$ 9,545.24
Bankstar – Great Plains Drill – (5 pmts - \$7,208.86/year)	\$ 15,146.79
Pfeifer’s – Sovema RTX Rotary Tiller	\$ 7,015.50

Jerry Oines moved to accept the treasurer’s report, second by Darrell DeBoer. Motion carried.

RECEIPTS & DISBURSEMENTS AND BILLS PRESENTED FOR PAYMENT- (SEE ATTACHED)

Darrell DeBoer moved, second by Jerry Oines, to approve the receipts and disbursements and the bills presented for payment including the bill from Kirkvold Oil for tractor tires - \$2,280.00. Motion carried.

REPORT ON DISTRICT SERVICES & CORRESPONDENCE

Joan Crooks, Office Manager and Jon Finnegan – Conservation Resource Specialist

- **Equipment Update**

- Still checking with implement dealers regarding tractor leases for 2018.
- 4 row corn planter – none

- **District Services**

- 500 rolls of fabric have been ordered for 2018
- 2017 Grass Seeding Completed: JD 1590 (producer rentals) – 534.7 acres
JD 1590 (full service) 169.0 acres
Great Plains 576.9 acres
TOTAL ACRES SEEDED 1280.6 acres

- **Income Statements** - Income statements for tree planting and tree fabric were distributed to the board for review.

- **Selling unused District Equipment** – Jerry Oines moved, second by Darrell DeBoer, to scrap the old tree planter, fabric machine and IMCO Mulcher, unless another District would like to purchase the mulcher. Motion carried. Joan will email mulcher pictures and information to the Districts to see if there is any interest before scrapping.

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PUBLIC RELATIONS – JENNA CLARK –Jenna updated the board on interviews and news stories she has been working on and posting on the District’s Facebook page.

EMPLOYEE/SUPERVISOR REPORT ON MEETINGS ATTENDED: NONE

DISTRICT JACKETS/SHIRTS – Jerry Oines moved, second by Darrell DeBoer, to purchase clothing apparel for BCCD supervisors, advisors and employees, clothing item of choice. Motion carried. Joan will work with Prairie Graphics on a logo design.

LAND JUDGING – We received an email from the SDSU Ag Experiment Station that we will not be able to use the grassland property at Volga for land judging school. Do to liability reasons they will not allow use of the soil pits on the property. Jon Finnegan will talk to Bill Gibbons, Director to discuss. Joan Crooks will contact SDPAA regarding the BCCD liability coverage for this event.

18TH ANNUAL AG APPRECIATION BANQUET– November 28, 2017 at the Swiftel Center – Darrell DeBoer moved, second by Jerry Oines, to recognize Dean and Nancy Skoglund for the 2017 Tree Care Award and Friedrich Farms for the 2017 Conservationist of the Year Award. Motion carried.

2018 PRICES – Prices for District Services were reviewed. Jerry Oines moved, second by Darrell DeBoer to leave prices the same for 2018. Motion carried.

BROOKINGS AREA CROP CLINIC is scheduled for January 26, 2018 at the 1st Lutheran Church Activity Center. Jerry Oines moved, second by Darrell DeBoer, to send a \$75 sponsorship. Motion carried.

MOODY CD SHELTERBELT RENOVATION GRANT PROPOSAL – A letter of support was approved and sent to the Moody CD for the Shelterbelt Renovation Grant proposal.

UPCOMING MEETINGS/EVENTS:

Nov 28, 2107 – 18th Annual Ag Appreciation Banquet

OTHER BUSINESS: Joan will check with the Toronto Café and Lounge to see if December 7 or 14th would be available for the annual BCCD Christmas party.

NEXT SCHEDULED BOARD MEETING: Wednesday, December 6, 2017 – time will change to 1:15 pm.

Being no further business to come before the meeting, Chairman Kerr declared the meeting adjourned at 10:42 am.

Joan Crooks, Recording Secretary