

**BROOKINGS CONSERVATION DISTRICT BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**  
**MINUTES OF MEETING**  
**WEDNESDAY, MAY 5, 2021 – 8:15AM**      **BCCD DISTRICT BUILDING**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Rick Kerr, Jerry Oines, Brad Hanson, Stephne Miller – Advisor, Mark Stime - Advisor

**ABSENT:** Darrell DeBoer, John Heylens, Joel Koch – Advisor; Stephne Miller - Advisor

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Joan Crooks, Jon Finnegan, Megan Johnson, NRCS Soil Conservationist (conference call in) and Larry Jensen, Brookings Co. Commissioner

Chairman Kerr called the meeting to order at 8:18 AM.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** Oines moved to approve the agenda, second by Hanson. Motion carried.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** The minutes of the April 7, 2021 meeting were sent to the supervisors prior to this meeting. Hanson moved to approve the minutes, second by Oines. Motion carried.

**NRCS OFFICE REPORT –** Megan Johnson, NRCS Soil Conservationist, reported on NRCS activities (see attached). Copies of the Oakwood-Lakes CIS Proposal were distributed to the board.

**CONSERVATION PLANS – NONE**

**TREASURER’S REPORT:**

General Fund Balance (4/30/2021)	\$ 60,153.72
Money Market II	\$ 50,754.23
Big Sioux Water Festival ( <i>non-conservation district funds</i> )	\$ 20,246.66
Accounts Receivable (as of 5/5/2021)	\$ 105,523.86

Accounts Payable:

• <b>BankStar</b> – JD 1590 No-till drill loan - Principal (5 pmts. Of \$6,432.03) Paid on acct – JD Loan	\$ 29,000.00
Loan Balance	<u>\$ 12,000.00</u>
	\$ 17,000.00
• <b>Towner Nursery</b>	\$ 5,665.00
• <b>Bailey Nurseries</b>	\$ 21,777.84
• <b>Big Sioux Nursery</b>	\$ 2,872.44

Oines moved to accept the treasurer’s report, second by Hanson. Motion carried.

**RECEIPTS & DISBURSEMENTS AND BILLS PRESENTED FOR PAYMENT**

Hanson moved, second by Oines, to approve the receipts and disbursements and the bills presented for payment. Motion carried.

Ag Woman’s Day Sponsorship - June 8, 2021 – Oines moved, second by Hanson to give a \$50 sponsorship for the 2021 event. Motion carried.

**REPORT ON DISTRICT SERVICES & CORRESPONDENCE**

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

**Vehicles/Equipment:**

- JD Drill – Finnegan reported that the JD Drill is disengaging. He has called Pipestone about the issue and has not heard back from the service technician.

**Building/landscape – none**

**2021 District Services Update:**

- HP Sales (*includes tree mats, staples, Plantskydd, Earth Auger Rental*) - \$85,353.00
- Non-CRP acres seeded – 606.7 acres
- CRP Acres to be seeded – 1060.95 acres (have seed plans for 466.61 acres)
- Trees to be planted – 46.5 acres
- Fabric– Brookings – 123,093 LF; Moody – 19,710 LF - Total Fabric – 142,803 LF (*27 miles*)

**Fabric/Staples price increase**– Finnegan reported the price of fabric and staples will be increasing.

**Vermillion/Big Sioux Area Director Vacancy (2-year term) and Public Relations representative (expiring term – D. DeBoer)** – If interested in either of these positions, let Joan know or Angela Ehlers.

**EMPLOYEE/SUPERVISOR REPORT ON MEETINGS ATTENDED: NONE**

**NRCS UTV TRAINING** –NRCS would like to use the BCCD lot again for their UTV training. Tentative dates June 15-17. Oines moved, second by Hanson, to approve NRCS' request to use the district lot. Motion carried. Crooks will see if there would be room for 2 Brookings County employees.

**BROOKINGS COUNTY FY 2022 BUDGET FUNDING REQUEST** – Budget requests are due by Friday, May 14, 2021. Oines moved, second by Hanson, to request \$25,000. Motion carried.

**SD PUBLIC ASSURANCE ALLIANCE – 2021 ANNV. RATING SUPPLEMENT REVIEW** – The reviewed the supplement. Crooks will make the requested changes and return to SDPAA.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** none

**UPCOMING MEETINGS/EVENTS:**

- May 11-12, 2021 – Big Sioux Water Festival Virtual Event
- June 8, 2021 – Ag Women's Day – Wilbert Square Event Center – Brookings
- June 21, 2021 – Vermillion/Big Sioux Area meeting – 10am – Parker Community Center (meal county by 6/14)
- June 28-30, 2021 – SDACDE Leadership Conf. – Pierre – Pre-registration \$125/person by June 4; late registration \$150.

**OTHER BUSINESS/COMMENTS:**

**NEXT SCHEDULED BOARD MEETING: Wednesday, June 2, 2021 at 8:15 AM - BCCD Building at 130 42<sup>nd</sup> Street.**

Being no further business to come before the meeting, Chairman Kerr declared the meeting adjourned at 9:53 am.

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Joan Crooks, Recording Secretary