

BROOKINGS CONSERVATION DISTRICT BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
MINUTES OF MEETING
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 4, 2021 – 8:15AM **BCCD DISTRICT BUILDING**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Darrell DeBoer, John Heylens, Rick Kerr, Brad Hanson, Jerry Oines

ABSENT: Joel Koch – Advisor

OTHERS PRESENT: Mark Stime, Advisor; Stephne Miller, Advisor; Joan Crooks; Jon Finnegan; Jeremy Sova, NRCS District Conservationist

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

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

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

NRCS OFFICE REPORT – Jeremy Sova, NRCS District Conservationist reported on NRCS activities (see attached).

- Discussed holding an informational meeting/meal for producers in the Oakwood Lakes CIS Project area. Hoping to have a sign-up sometime this fall with application selection in January 2022. The board suggested contacting the Owl Lodge to hold the meeting with a tentative date of September 15 or 16, 2021. Meal at 6:00 pm with meeting to follow. Heylens moved to set a budget of up to \$1000 for meal expenses; second by Oines. Motion carried.

CONSERVATION PLANS – none

TREASURER’S REPORT:

General Fund Balance (7/31/2021)	\$ 63,339.37
Money Market II	\$ 50,766.88
Big Sioux Water Festival (<i>non-conservation district funds</i>)	\$ 17,528.19
Accounts Receivable (as of 8/3/2021)	\$ 36,083.19
Accounts Payable:	
• BankStar – JD 1590 No-till drill loan - Principal	\$ 29,000.00
(<i>5 pmts. Of \$6,432.03</i>)	
<i>Paid on acct – JD Loan</i>	<u>\$ 12,000.00</u>
<i>Loan Balance</i>	\$ 17,000.00

Hanson moved, second by Oines to make a loan payment of \$6432.03. Motion carried.

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

RECEIPTS & DISBURSEMENTS AND BILLS PRESENTED FOR PAYMENT

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

REPORT ON DISTRICT SERVICES & CORRESPONDENCE

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

Vehicles/Equipment:

- Finnegan reported the last person to rent the JD 1590 No-till drill returned the drill with many needed repairs. Finnegan met with the producer at the shop to show him the damages. The producer will be billed for the repairs.
- All lease tractors have been returned except one. The board discussed purchasing another tractor. No action taken at this time.

Building/landscape – none

District Services – Drill rental acres seeded to date – 2,071.2 acres (*total acres seeded in 2020 – 2,898.5 ac*)

EMPLOYEE/SUPERVISOR REPORT ON MEETINGS/EVENTS ATTENDED:

7/31/21 - Bruce Honey Days Parade – Rick Kerr pulled the BCCD enclosed trailer in the parade. BCCD purchased candy to toss out.

CONSERVATION TOUR – The annual BCCD/Commission Conservation Tour is scheduled for Tuesday, August 31, 2021 beginning at 10:00 am. Tour Itinerary: City of Brookings – Wellhead Protection Area; Valero Renewables – Wildlife/Visual Screen Tree Project; Lunch at Steve Bunkers and Conservation Program Practices; Josh Klinkhammer – Gravel Pit Reclamation, 5) Brad Hanson – 2019 Conservationist of the Year – Tree Plantings; Return to BCCD Building.

LAND JUDGING – September 8, 2021. A facility use agreement between SDSU and the BCCD has been signed to use the site located in the SE ¼ of 21-108-50. The facility use agreement has been emailed to the schools along with the student waiver release forms.

NOTICE OF INTENT TO MINE - Winter Contracting LLC – SE ¼ Exc H-3, Sec. 7-109-49, 148.49 acres

1ST DISTRICT ASSOC. OF LOCAL GOVERNMENTS – Environmental Review Notice

2021 SDACD CONVENTION – September 19-21, 2021 – Spearfish Holiday Inn – Kerr and Crooks are planning to attend.

- SDACDE Employee Raffle – Heylens moved, second by Oines to contribute \$20 to support the SDACDE. Motion carried.

TEEN CHALLENGE PROJECT – No new information on this project. Finnegan will work with them on a tree design for spring 2022.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: none

UPCOMING MEETINGS/EVENTS:

- Aug. 31, 2021 – BCCD Conservation Tour – 10:00 am – 3:00 pm
- Aug. 31, 2021 – E. SD Soil & Water Research Farm Field Day - USDA is proceeding with an abundance of caution regarding having people on-site. NCARL is not anticipating having an in-person field day on August 31. A CFG meeting is being planned via Zoom. Options are being discussed for relaying research developments in lieu of an in-person field day.
- Sep. 2, 2021 – SDACDE will have a booth at the Value-Added tent at the SD State Fair
- Sep. 8, 2021 – Brookings Land Judging
- Sep 19-21, 2021 – SDACD Convention – Spearfish Holiday Inn

OTHER BUSINESS/COMMENTS:

NEXT SCHEDULED BOARD MEETING: Wednesday, September 1, 2021 at 8:15 AM - BCCD Building at 130 42nd Street.

Being no further business to come before the meeting, Chairman Kerr declared the meeting adjourned at 10:00 am.

Joan Crooks, Recording Secretary