

State Conservation Commission Minutes
Regular Meeting
September 17, 2015
AGC Building, Pierre, SD

Members Present: Doug Hansen, Tom Wolles, David Fischbach, Tom Glover, Gerald Thaden.

Absent: Wayne Bunge, Aaron Kiesz, Alan Vedvei, Charlie Moe.

Others Present: Cindy Zenk-Day CD, Angela Ehlers-SDACD and Kyle Holt-SD Department of Agriculture Deputy Secretary, Bill Smith – RC&F, Cec Johnson – RC&F, and Marjy Gregg-RC&F.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman David Fischbach at 8:15 AM.

A motion was made by Doug Hansen and seconded to approve the July 15, 2015 minutes as submitted. **Motion Carried.**

Reports were given by the State Conservation Commissioners.

Revolving Loan Report: The report was given by division staff. The Day Conservation District revolving loan application was deferred until the grants report.

Grants Report:

Charlie Moe was called at 9:07 AM to ensure a quorum was present.

A motion was made by Charlie Moe and seconded to approve Perkins Conservation District's request for a 1 year extension for the Northwest Area Tree Planting grant # 2013-CSW-019. **Motion failed for lack of a majority vote.** Doug Hansen-no, Tom Wolles –yes, Tom Glover-no, Gerald Thaden – no, Charlie Moe-yes. David Fischbach abstained.

A motion was made by Tom Glover and seconded to approve Perkins Conservation District's request for a 1 year extension for the Northwest Area Tree Planting grant # 2015-CSW-023. **Motion failed for lack of a majority vote.** Gerald Thaden-yes, Tom Glover-yes, Tom Wolles-yes, Doug Hansen-yes, and Charlie Moe-no. David Fischbach abstained.

A motion was made by Tom Wolles and seconded to approve the Day County Conservation District revolving loan application in the amount of \$20,000.00 for a tree spade. **Motion carried.** Charlie Moe-yes, Tom Glover-yes, Tom Wolles-yes, Gerald Thaden-yes, David Fischbach-yes. Doug Hansen abstained.

Charlie Moe left the call at 9:15 AM.

A motion was made by Tom Wolles and seconded to approve Edmunds Conservation District request to transfer the following funds: \$1,345.00 from solar pumps and \$210.00 from native seeding into the tree budget. \$641.00 from tanks, \$2,295.00 from rural water hookups, \$298.00 from wells, \$60.00 from seedling, \$56.00 from site prep and \$1,000.00 from the shrub budget into the fabric budget. **Motion carried.**

A motion was made by Doug Hansen and seconded to deny Bon Homme Conservation District request to fund fabric alone for an EQIP tree planting for #2014-CSW-001 (BHCD Conservation Enhancement) grant. The reason provided was this is not a normal procedure for the Commission to fund stand-alone fabric installations. **Motion carried.**

A motion was made by Gerald Thaden and seconded to approve the Soil Award Nomination for LeRoy & Sasha Ness Jr. of the Buffalo/Brule Conservation District area. **Motion carried.**

The division report was given by division staff.

Next meeting: November 30, 2015 at the Ramkota Motel, Pierre, SD during the SDACD Convention.

Meeting adjourned by Chairman David Fischbach at 10:35 AM.

Marjorie Gregg
Recording Secretary