

HAMLIN COUNTY CONSERVATION DISTRICT
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS' MEETING
December 5, 2023, 1:00 p.m.

SUPERVISORS PRESENT

Jared Namken, Chairman
James Anderson, Vice Chairman
Larry Brusse, Supervisor
Dorene Lemme, Supervisor
Danny Limmer, Supervisor
Eli Little, Advisor
Lenny Saathoff, Advisor

OTHERS PRESENT

Peggy Loomis, District Manager
Abby Blanchard, NRCS Soil Conservationist
Patty Heermann, NRCS Civil Engineer Tech.

ABSENT

None

The Hamlin County Conservation District Board of Supervisors met Tuesday, December 5, 2023, at 1:00 p.m. in the Office Conference Room. Chairman Namken opened the meeting and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Public Comment. None.

Approve the Agenda. On a motion by Lemme, with a second by Brusse, the agenda was approved as written. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Discussion was opened for the October Regular Board Minutes. On a motion by Anderson, with a second by Limmer, the minutes were approved as read. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

The Treasurer's Report and Accounts Receivable were approved as written on a motion by Anderson, with a second by Brusse. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

NRCS Report- Report given by Abby Blanchard, NRCS Soil Conservationist. Please see attached report.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Services. Total acres planned for 2024 is 27 to date. Over 70 hand plant orders have been placed. Fabric has been delivered, neglected to ship small rolls and staples. Those will come in the spring. Verizon has been dropped for the MiFi, AT&T added. Great Plains drill needs to be serviced. Loomis will contact Tyler T.

Riverview Dairy Tour. Thank you to Namken for arranging. Tour was good for those who participated. Thank you, card was sent to the dairy.

Deadwood Leadership. Loomis attended this training course regarding stress with producers and how boards are run. Good ideas for board involvement. Terms of offices of Chairman and Vice Chairman were mentioned.

NEW BUSINESS:

Lake Poinsett Management Plan. Namken attended this meeting in Brookings. Next meeting is in January. HCCD will have limited involvement.

Tree Care Award and Supper. Supper will be held at Tables, in Castlewood. Invitations are going out. Received the Tree Care Award sign, and the sign for Friends of Conservation. Burton Tesch will also be recognized.

Tree Grant. Final report written for the Tree Grant with Codington CD. Will be reverting one half of the funds. Codington did not utilize any funds from those awarded. Approvals acknowledged and signed for the 2024 Tree Grant cost share: for Producer “B” and Producer “K”.

Bonuses. Brusse made a motion to go into executive session at 1:40 p.m. Anderson seconded the motion. All voted aye. Motion carried. The room was cleared except for the Board of Supervisors. Executive session ended at 1:51 p.m. Loomis will send bonuses as written by the Board.

Farm Show Booth. 2024 Farm Show will be held February 7 -10th. Limmer made a motion to order in bulk the green back packs and the blue tote bags, with the Hamlin Conservation District logo on them. Motion seconded by Brusse. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Depreciation Schedule. The 2023 depreciation schedule was shared with the board. Those adjustments will be processed on 12/31/2023.

Intent to Mine. Operation by Nitteberg was reviewed and filed.

Executive Session. None necessary.

Other District Business.

Little mentioned a possible project which would involve the local Pheasants Forever Chapter. More Information to come.

December - Coteau Area Employee Meeting. Dec. 13th – 9:30 a.m.

Christmas, Dec. 25th – Office Closed

January - New Year’s Day – Office Closed Jan. 1st.

Appreciation Dinner. Jan. 5th

Board Meeting. Jan. 9th

Martin Luther King Jr. Day. Office Closed Jan. 15th

On a motion by Lemme, with a second by Brusse, the meeting was adjourned.

Namken declared the meeting ended at 2:20 p.m.

Respectively, *Peggy Loomis*, District Manager