

MINUTES OF THE
OLIVER SOIL CONSERVATION DISTRICT
CENTER, NORTH DAKOTA
April 1st

Meeting called to order by Lonnie Henke at 9:08 am

Those present were:

Chairman –

Vice Chairman – Lonnie Henke

Secretary – JD Hanson

Members – LeAnn Harner, Dale Berg, Mike Bauer

Others – Val Hartman

Rick Schmidt

Justin Edwards

Roger Christenson

1. Minutes of the March meeting were approved as printed.
2. Treasurer's Report
Motion by Bauer and seconded by Berg to accept treasurer's report as presented. Said report to become a part of these minutes. Motion carried.

Bills to be paid:

Motion by Berg and seconded by Bauer to pay bills as presented. Motion carried.

3. Review Accounts Receivable
No accounts receivable
4. District Conservationist Report
See Written
5. District Manager Report
Hanson reported on equipment repairs and maintenance. Updated board on planting acres, and gave tree planting plan update.
6. Extension Agent Report
Reported to board current activities, April 6th will be the beginning of the spring forums.
7. NDASCD President Roger Christenson–
Roger attended meeting to discuss the sale of non-conservation trees as it pertained to the agreement signed between the association and the nursery/greenhouse association. Board member Alan Schwalbe joined the meeting via phone at 9:48. After discussion, **Motion by Schwalbe to follow guidelines as per agreement brought forth by NDASCD. Motion died for lack of a second.** Alan Left meeting at 9:58 and board asked that Apple Tree Sales be addressed again at May meeting.
8. Old Business:
 - a. Ladies Ag –
Hanson thanked board and staff for all assistance with event. Event was a great success.
Motion by Bauer, seconded by Berg to purchase Meat and Cheese Trays for Justin Edwards and Brian Schafer as a thank you. Motion carried. Also note that Speakers name was Brian and not Brandon Schaffer.
 - b. School Education Day –
Hanson reported that the last week in April and the first week in May would work for the school to attend the 6th grade farm tour. After a lot of discussion the board decided that it would be best to hold off until the fall.

9. New Business:

- a. NDIRF
Hanson asked about invitation for Annual NDIRF meeting, no interest in attending
- b. Hand Plant Pre-order Pick Up Day
Hanson reported that he will plan on having pickup day on May 6th.
- c. NDNWTF Grant
Hanson handed out a grant application for review by the board

a. Other Business

Motion by Berg Seconded by Bauer to adjourn

Next Meeting Friday May 6th @ 7 am

Respectfully Submitted

JD Hanson, Manager
Oliver Soil Conservation District

NRCS Activity Report
To the
Oliver Soil Conservation District Board
Date: April 1, 2016
By District Conservationist Val Hartman

WORKLOAD

Programs

EQIP

All 8 contracts have been signed and submitted
One more funded through Forestry just yesterday

Acres treated

Rangeland – 1687 ac.
Cropland – 1675 ac.

2017 money – application deadline May 1, 2016, ranking October 15, 2016

CSP

New applications – 10

- March 31, 2016 was application deadline
 - May 13, 2016 ranking deadline
 - July 8, 2016 contracting deadline
- Renewals – 3 of 5, evaluations by September 9, 2016

Food Security Act 5% Compliance Reviews

8 tracts randomly selected, one county committee member

Conservation Effects Assessment Program (CEAP – 2) – April 13, 2016

NASDA (National Association of State Departments of Agriculture) enumerators will gather data relative to conservation practices, CRP, cropping and tillage, pesticide applications, livestock manure applications, irrigation, field operations (type of equipment used and how often), size of operation, and other field-related activities. (completed October 2015 – February 2016)

CEAP-1 completed 2003-2006

9 tracts to complete a supplemental survey on – computer database

INFORMATION

Working on getting another volunteer through Experience Works. Main duties will be answering the phone when field season starts.

MEETINGS, TRAINING, SCHEDULE

March 9 – Nutball Training at ARS in Mandan – LeAnn and I both attended, along with one Oliver County producer

April 3-7 – Val in Aberdeen for Leadership Development Program

May 2-6 – Val in Washington DC for Leadership Development Program

May 30 – Memorial Day Holiday