

MINUTES OF THE
OLIVER SOIL CONSERVATION DISTRICT
CENTER, NORTH DAKOTA
January 8th 2016

Meeting called to order by Vice Chair Lonnie Henke at 9:00 am

Those present were:

Chairman – Alan Schwalbe

Vice Chairman – Dale Berg

Secretary – JD Hanson

Members – Mike Bauer, LeAnn Harner, Lonnie Henke

Others – Val Hartman

Rick Schmidt

Justin Edwards

Ryan Foster

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

Bills to be paid:

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

3. Review Accounts Receivable
Reviewed as of 2/1/16
4. District Conservationist Report
See written
5. District Manager Report
Reported on current workloads update board on numbers for services
6. Extension Agent Report
Center Pesticide training will be Feb 16th at 1 pm. At civic center
Best of Best in Wheat Research Feb 11th Dickinson ND
7. PF Biologist Report
Updated board on activities
8. Old Business:
 - a. Producer Meeting – Board just reviewed calling list, and response to this point
 - b. 2016 Business Plan
Motion by Henke seconded by Berg to approve 2016 Business Plan. Motion carried

Motion by Henke Seconded by Schwalbe to appoint Bauer for representation on RC&D Board, Henke for representation on Lewis and Clark RD&C Board, Harner representation on Missouri River Board, and Schwalbe for representation on Area Research Farm. Berg will act as alternate for RC&D and Harner will act as alternate for Research Farm. Motion Carried.
9. New Business:
 - a. Yearbook Ad
Motion by Harner second by Henke to purchase ad same as 2015. Motion carried.
 - b. Drill Repairs
Board took a look at drill and Hanson has a list of parts to order

- c. Tri – County OHF Grant Proposal

Motion by Harner second by Berg to support grant proposal. Motion carried.

10. Other Business

- a. Achievement winner

Motion by Harner second by Bauer to select David and Karen Porsborg as the 2016 Achievement Winners. Motion carried

11. Next Meeting March 4th @ 12pm

Respectively Submitted

JD Hanson, Manager
Oliver Soil Conservation District

NRCS Activity Report

To the

Oliver Soil Conservation District Board

Date: February 5, 2016

By District Conservationist Val Hartman

PROGRAMS

EQIP

We ranked 16 applications. Preapproval is Feb 5, 2016. Contracted by March 25, 2016
Honey Bee Pollinator Effort – February 19th, 2016 – in newsletter, local paper, and Water magazine

2017 money – application deadline May 1, 2016, ranking October 15, 2016 – presently have 4 new apps, plus any that do not get funded this year

CSP

All payments for existing contracts have been processed with the exception of one.
March 31, 2016 is the deadline for new applications – presently 6, or re-enrollment of contracts expiring in 2016 - 5. One more year of the same.

CRP

General sign-up 12/1/2015 – 2/26/2016 – 1.64 million acres expiring 9/30/2016
Continuous sign-up – salinity, grassed waterways, trees

MEETINGS, TRAINING, SCHEDULE

February 8th – Phone switch over

February 9th - Producer meeting

February 10th – Brent Gustafson, Area Resource Conservationist at office

February 10th – Easement Monitoring Training - Webinar

February 15th – Holiday – **Office Closed**

February 25 – DC Meeting - Jamestown

PERSONNEL

Mary Podoll, State Conservationist, is back in ND

Ryan's last day is today

No timeframe on replacing Ryan

February 18th? & 19th – JD on leave

February 22-26 – Val on leave, Andrew Willyard from Turtle Lake/Garrison will be Acting DC