**LINGLE/FT. LARAMIE CONSERVATION DISTRICT**

 **MINUTES**

**Friday January 14th, 2022**

**POINTS WEST BANK, LINGLE**

Members Present: Dave Johnson, Tim Bartel, Don McDowell, Jenna Meeks, and Linda Nichol

District Employees Present: Karen Johnson, District Manager

NRCS: Ryan Clayton

**REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING**

Chair call the regular meeting to order at 1:07 pm

**APPROVE AGENDA:** Linda moved to approve the agenda as presented. Dave seconded the motion**,** and motion was carried.

**MINUTES:** Don moved to approve the minutes as presented with the misspelling of the word bearings. Dave seconded the motion, and the motion was carried.

**TREASURER’S REPORT:**

Last Meeting Balance $ 118,219.42

Income $ 7,894.66

Expenses $ 4,708.71

Ending Balance $ 121,811.65

Savings Balance $ 6,967.28

Total Balance $ 128,778.93

**RECONCILED BANK & CREDIT CARD STATEMENTS:**  Dave moved to approve the reconciled bank and credit card statements as presented. Tim seconded the motion, and the motion was carried**.**

**NRCS:** Ryan presented a written report for the board for review. The report explained the many projects they have going on within their office. He stated in the report, he would be willing to work with the town

Of Fort Laramie concerning their irrigation system, to get ideas of what improvements are needed. Report included in the monthly board packet.

**WALK IN:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. The board discussed the mediation request and letters from NPVCD and SGCD. At this time, the board will not respond to mediation requests for contracts until after 19-20 Tree Program, funds, and ownership of tree program assets is determined. Currently awaiting to hear back from the WDA mediation program.
2. Office will be tabled until next month. Karen will review the rental agreement.
3. Newsletter presented to be mailed was accepted with minor changes. The board would like to have this mailed out by end of the month. Tim motioned for Karen to purchase needed supplies and stamps to get this done. Linda seconded the motion, and the motion was carried.
4. Programs presented to the board were discussed.

1. Trees will be sold at cost plus 5.25% sales tax. LFLCD will not charge shipping charges this year.

 A tree drawing will be held. Karen will see what trees are available. Jenna motioned to purchase

 trees to give away. Linda seconded the motion, and the motion was carried.

2. The drill cost share program will be changed to 50% up to $500, as presented. It will also be per

 calendar year up to $500 per constituent in the LFLCD boundaries. Tim motioned to approve the

 changes. Dave seconded the motion, and motion was carried.

3. The solar well pump program was already in place from 2016. A new flyer was created.

4. The town clean up days was discussed with unclear acceptable items TDS will take. Karen will

 Will follow up with TDS. She will also contact Clean Harbors. Date will be discussed next month.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

 A. Don, Tim, and Linda attended the meeting in Lusk concerning the proposed Hydrogen Center. It Seems that project would be moved into another district. The LFLCD board offered assistance if needed.

 B. A water testing date needs to happen soon. Tim motioned for Karen to pick a date convenient to her.

Linda seconded the motion, and motion was carried. Details will be discussed at next meeting.

 C. The annual reports and one page summary were presented to the board.

 **DRILL REPORT**:

The monthly drill report was not presented due to no changes from last month. The old drill will need new tires before spring. Karen presented prices for tires. The board will wait to hear back from the Great Plain’s representative on tires. The drills will need maintenance: greasing of chains, bearings, etc. Tim will take care of getting drill maintenance performed.

**PIVOT TRACK CLOSER/BROADCASTER:**

The monthly closer/seeder report was not presented due to no changes from last month. The track closer trailer was discussed, it still needs maintenance on trailer bed.

**SOCIAL MEDIA REPORT:** Karen will update minutes on website. She will also update the website to include any new information.

**OTHER REPORTS:**

A. The Reorganization Form was presented.

 B. The board would like Karen to get with the Goshen County Treasurer for estimate on Mill Levy due.

 C. A certified letter received from the Department of Interior, BLM. The BLM is preparing an Environmental Impact Statement to analyze effects of the Greater sage-grouse habitats. The letter extended an invitation to participate as a cooperating agency in the NEPA process. Tim motioned to respond to the letter as a cooperating agency. Dave seconded the motion, and the motion was carried. Karen will get this done.

 D. Discussion of setting up a display of all programs was had. Dave motioned to approve funds for display. Linda seconded the motion, and the motion was carried. Karen will purchase a display rack, small table, and supplies to create display.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** Newsletters from Converse County & Powder River Conservation District, Forestry Notes from the NACD, The December Digest from WACD & WNRF, and the Wyoming Livestock Roundup paper were passed around for review.

With no further business to come before the Board, Chair adjourned the meeting at 3:35 pm

**NEXT REGULAR BOARD MEETING: February 8th, 2022,** at 1:00 p.m. at Points West Bank in Lingle

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