**LINGLE/FT. LARAMIE CONSERVATION DISTRICT**

**MINUTES**

**TUESDAY, October 12th, 2021**

**POINTS WEST BANK, LINGLE**

Members Present: Don McDowell, Linda Nichol, Dave Johnson (Phone call in due to Covid sent copies of packet via phone) and Jenna Meeks (arrived at 1:44pm)

Members Absent: Tim Bartel

District Employees Present: Karen Johnson, District Manager

NRCS: Ryan Clayton, Shade Frank, and Jamie Meuney

**REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING**

Chair call the regular meeting to order at 1:06 pm

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

**MINUTES:** Linda moved to approve the minutes as presented. Dave seconded the motion, and the motion was carried.

**TREASURER’S REPORT:**

Last Meeting Balance $ 109,222.69

Income $ 1,084.69

Expenses $ 3,153.12

Ending Balance $ 107,154.26

Savings Balance $ 6,965.08

Total Balance $ 114,119.34

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

**NRCS:** Ryan brought a memo of NRCS happenings within Goshen County. This memo is in the monthly packet. Ryan introduced the Board to the 2 new NRCS employees, Jamie & Shade. He also informed the Board of the mandated closure of the office to visitors and staffing not to exceed 25%. Discussion was had about the needs of new tires for the older No-Till Drill. Karen will look into cost of new tires. Ryan also informed the Board of the Livestock Forage Program offered by FSA due to the current drought conditions in Goshen County.

**WALK IN:**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. The F-32 was due on September 30th, 2021. Karen missed this deadline but did get completed and submitted on Oct 6, 2021. The Cash on Hand form and Annual summary is due by 10/31/21. Karen will get with Dave and Don to get signed before 10/24/21
2. Annual Convention is still on for 11/30-12/2/21. Everyone is attending as of this meeting. Karen will get everyone registered to attend and get invoice to pay. The Auction item needs to be purchased. Karen will get on this asap. The Gator tickets and money collected needs to be gathered and returned.
3. No one had anyone in mind for the Environmental Stewardship Award Nominations.
4. Town of Fort Laramie has a need for work on their irrigation system. Joyce Evans is the Mayor of Fort Laramie. Karen will look into grants to see if anything fits into the towns needed projects.
5. No till Drill information request from Teton Conservation District was discussed. Karen will reach out to the district.
6. Clean Hydrogen Center information received from Niobrara Conservation District was discussed. Karen will return an email to Lisa Shaw requesting more information on the project.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

A. Mediation Request Form was discussed, and the request will be sent in after Thursday’s meeting with SGCD.

B. Newsletter was finalized with couple small changes. It will be mailed out soon. The decision to postpone the purchase of the USPS stamp was made. The board will revisit the cost of purchase in near future.

C. Tree Program was discussed. The Board will discuss more extensively in the near future after mediation.

**DRILL REPORT**:

1. The monthly drill report was given to the board for review.
2. The old drill will need new tires before spring. Karen will check with tire dealers in town for prices.
3. The drills will need maintenance: greasing of chains, barrens etc. Karen will follow up on this

**PIVOT TRACK CLOSER/BROADCASTER:**

A. The monthly closer/seeder report was given to the board for review**.**

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

**OTHER REPORTS:**

**A.**  Karen ordered Linda’s shirt and Tim’s Shirt from Heartland Embroidery.

B. An invitation from SGCD for the Board to attend their monthly meeting was received. A discussion on who will attend the meeting was had. It was determined Linda & Jenna along with Karen would attend. Karen will take notes and include in next months board packet.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** Was passed around and shared with the board.

With no further business to come before the Board, Chair adjourned the meeting at 3:48 pm

**NEXT REGULAR BOARD MEETING: November 9th, 2021,** at 1:00 p.m. at Points West Bank in Lingle

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Chair Date

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