



Hamlin Conservation District

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING
October 8, 2024 1:00 P.M.

SUPERVISORS PRESENT

Jared Namken, Chairman
James Anderson, Vice-Chairman
Larry Brusse, Supervisor
Dorene Lemme, Supervisor
Eli Little, Advisor

OTHERS PRESENT

Peggy Loomis, District Manager
Candace Prins, Acting D.C.

ABSENT

Danny Limmer, Supervisor
Lenny Saathoff, Advisor

The Hamlin County Conservation District Board of Supervisors met Tuesday, October 8, 2024, at 7:00 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 Anderson, the agenda was approved as written. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Discussion was opened for the August Regular Board Minutes. On a motion by Anderson, with a second by Brusse, 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 Lemme. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

NRCS Report- Report given by Candace Prins. Please see attached report.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Services and General. The No Till drills have been over 993 acres, the Great Plains drill at 149 acres and the Land Rollers total 6515 to date. Mowing has been completed for the season. Items discussed were: the land roller repair bill, repairs on the NT drills, and lights that were replaced on the Kubota trailer. Rollers have all been moved off of the Coop property. Survival counts were completed. The countywide survival is 92% - thanks to the spring moisture. Tree orders are slowly coming in. Acres for 2025 planned plantings are at 22 acres. We have one planting lined up for the grant cost share.

Erosion and Sediment Laws. Current laws were discussed. Looking for a checklist of the precise steps to take when whistleblower action is taken.

SDACDE Employee Health Care. This discussion was tabled at the August meeting. Brusse made a motion that it remain on the table for a possible discussion in December. Anderson made a second to this motion. All voted in favor. Motion passed.

SDACD Convention. Twenty-six districts were represented at the General Session. Questions were answered regarding the Endowment Fund and the SDACD Budget. Loomis thanked the Board for the assistance in the nominations that were made, as she won the 2024 Outstanding Service Award and the 2024 Award of Excellence.

NEW BUSINESS:

Tree Care Award. The 2024 award winner was chosen and will be honored at the Appreciation Dinner in January. The Tables Restaurant in Castlewood was chosen as the venue.

Intent to Mine. Notification was received and filed.

Loan Reports. On a motion by Brusse, with a second by Lemme, Loomis was directed to pay the balance on the loans for both the Mandako Land Roller and for the Chevrolet truck. All voted in favor. Motion passed. The bank account balances were discussed at this time. Loomis will research current CD rates at the local bank.

Contour Lines. Each member of the Board received a copy of the 2024 Contour Lines. These are great articles which depict different goals and activities of each district.

SDACDE/NRCS Contribution Agreement. This agreement expired on 09/30/2024; therefore, Loomis is working on the final reimbursement request and the final reporting. The new CCCA began 10/01/2024; which Loomis will also administer.

Tree Grant Application Approval. One application was approved for cost share on a motion by Lemme, with a second by Brusse. All voted in favor. Motion passed.

NACD Annual Meeting. To be held in Salt Lake City, UT. February 8-12, 2025.

Legislative Dinner. To be held at Roots Restaurant in Webster on Monday, October 21st. Invitations have been sent.

Executive Session. None.

Other District Business.

October: District Board Meeting, Tuesday, Oct. 8th, 7 p.m.
Indigenous Peoples Day, Office Closed, 10/14
Legislative Dinner, Monday, Oct. 21, Webster
Loomis out of office 10/24-10/29 (tentatively)

November: U.S. Election Day, 11/5
Loomis out of office 11/7-11/8
Veterans Day, Office Closed 11/11
Thanksgiving, Office Closed 11/23-11/24

The next scheduled district board meeting is December 10th at 1:00 p.m. in the District Office.

On a motion by Brusse, with a second by Lemme, the meeting was adjourned. Namken declared the meeting ended at 8:25 p.m.

Respectively, *Peggy Loomis*, District Manager