

State Conservation Commission Meeting Outline

April 6, 2021

Matthews Training Center

Call to Order: meeting was called to order at 8:20 am by Chairman Doug Hansen.

Roll Call of members present:

Gene Williams, Dusty Rodiek, Tom Glover, Doug Hansen, Gerald Thaden, Bruce Haines__
Via Teleconference: Charlie Moe

Members Absent:

Bill Coburn, Mike Konechne

Others present: Bill Smith (SDDA), Bailey Kaskie (SDDA), Kim Paxton (SDDA), Angela Ehlers (SDACD), Malisa Niles (Fall River County District), Marybeth Fravel (Stanley County District), Annette Steilen (Hanson County District), Blaine Brakke (SDACD), Josh Wagner (Day County District), Tonja Jessen (Hyde County District), Tami Moore (Miner County District)

Others present Via Teleconference: Brain Scott (SDDA), Lisa Paulson (Clark County District), Peggy Loomis (Hamlin County District), Chris (Faulk County District), Amy (Grant County District)

Approval of February 11, 2021 Minutes: A motion was made by Gerald Thaden and seconded to approve the February 11, 2021 as submitted. Roll call vote: Gene Williams-aye, Dusty Rodiek-aye, Tom Glover-aye, Doug Hansen-aye, Gerald Thaden-aye, Bruce Haines-aye. **Motion carried.**

Corrections and or additions to the minutes: None

Upcoming travel: Angela Ehlers provide information on the upcoming 2021 SDACD area meetings. The board members were asked what meeting or meetings they could attend.

NACD Northern Plains Regional meeting, July 24-27, 2021 in Chicago. Hills are June 15, 2021 Gene Williams will represent the board at this meeting. Northwest area meeting June 16, 2021 Gene Williams will represent the board, Coteau June 17, 2021 Gerald Thaden will represent the board, Vermillion-Big Sioux area meeting June 21, 2021 Tom Glover will represent the board, Prairie area meeting June 21, 2021 Charlie Moe will represent the board, North Missouri area meeting June 23, 2021 Dusty Rodiek will represent the board, South James -Missouri area meeting June 21, 2021 Bruce Haines will represent the board.

Request for New Business to be placed on the agenda: None

Correspondence: None

Revolving Loan Report: Bailey Kaskie gave a report on the Revolving Loan Report.

Revolving Loan Applications (3 applications): Bailey Kaskie presented the three Revolving Loan Applications A motion was made Gene Williams to cover 50% of the 3 loan requests. Day County for a tractor \$40,000.00 requested \$20,000.00 approved: Hamlin CO to Purchase a 45' Mandako Land Roller for \$30,000.00 requested \$15,000.00 approved: Kingsbury CO to Purchase of a No Till John Deere Drill for \$15,000.00 requested \$7,500.00 approved. Pending the counties will need apply for the other 50% at the next round. Roll Call vote: Gene Williams-aye, Dusty Rodiek-aye, Tom Glover-aye, Doug Hansen-aye, Charlie Moe-aye, Gerald Thaden-aye, Bruce Haines-aye. **Motion carried**

Grant Program/Updates/Changes/Amendments/Reports Brian Scott gave a report.

Motion was made by Dusty Rodiek seconded to revert the \$94,119.31. Roll call vote: Gene Williams-aye, Dusty Rodiek-aye, Tom Glover-aye, Doug Hansen-aye, Charlie Moe-aye, Gerald Thaden-aye, Bruce Haines-aye. **Motion carried**

One-year Extension request for Hamlin County Conservation Grant # 2021-CSW-011 Tree Area Planting to expire on June 30, 2022: A motion was made by Bruce Haines seconded to approve the one-year extension. **Roll call vote:** Gene Williams-aye, Dusty Rodiek-aye, Tom Glover-aye, Doug Hansen-aye, Charlie Moe-aye, Gerald Thaden-aye, Bruce Haines-aye. **Motion carried**

One-year Extension request for Stanley County Conservation District Grant # 2020-CSW0039-Tree Planting to expire on June 30, 2022. A motion was made by Gene Williams seconded to approve the one-year extension. Roll Call vote: Gene Williams-aye, Dusty Rodiek-aye, Tom Glover-aye, Doug Hansen-aye, Charlie Moe-aye, Gerald Thaden-aye, Bruce Haines-aye. **Motion carried**

Spring Grant Round Review of the 15 Grants: (the following are in alphabetical order by district rather than chronologically as they were taken up). Motion was made by Gene Williams seconded to approve the Clark County Conservation District for Conservation Education & Awareness grant application in the amount of \$1,5000.00. Roll call vote: Gene Williams-aye, Dusty Rodiek-aye, Tom Glover-aye, Doug Hansen-aye, Charlie Moe-aye, Gerald Thaden-aye, Bruce Haines-aye. **Motion carried**

Motion was made by Tom Glover seconded to approve the Custer County Conservation District application for Thinning for a Resilient Forest in the amount of \$26,175.00. Roll Call vote: Gene Williams-aye, Dusty Rodiek-aye, Tom Glover-aye, Doug Hansen-aye, Charlie Moe-aye, Gerald Thaden-aye, Bruce Haines-aye. **Motion carried**

Motion was made by Dusty Rodiek seconded to approve the Davison County Conservation District for Multi-District Brush Management in the amount of \$10,000.00. Roll Call vote: Gene Williams-aye, Dusty Rodiek-aye, Tom Glover-aye, Doug Hansen-aye, Charlie Moe-aye, Gerald Thaden-aye, Bruce Haines-abstain. **Motion carried**

Motion was made by Dusty Rodiek seconded to approve the East Pennington County Conservation District for Multi-Purpose Grant in the amount of \$75,000.00. Roll call vote taken: Gene Williams-aye, Dusty Rodiek-aye, Tom Glover-aye, Doug Hansen-aye, Charlie Moe-aye, Gerald Thaden-aye, Bruce Haines-aye. **Motion carried**

Motion was made by Gene Williams seconded to approve the Fall River County Conservation District application for Thinning for a Healthy Forest in the amount of \$13,000.00. Roll call vote taken: Gene Williams-aye, Dusty Rodiek-aye, Tom Glover-aye, Doug Hansen-aye, Charlie Moe-aye, Gerald Thaden-aye, Bruce Haines-aye. **Motion carried**

Motion was made by Gene Williams seconded to approve the Grant County Conservation District application for Conservation Education & Awareness in the amount of \$2,400.00. Roll call vote taken: Gene Williams-aye, Dusty Rodiek-aye, Tom Glover-aye, Doug Hansen-aye, Charlie Moe-aye, Gerald Thaden-aye, Bruce Haines-aye. **Motion carried**

Motion was made by Gene Williams seconded to approve the Hanson County Conservation District application for Brush Management in the amount of \$18,000.00. Roll call vote taken: Gene Williams-aye, Dusty Rodiek-aye, Tom Glover-aye, Doug Hansen-aye, Charlie Moe-aye, Gerald Thaden-aye, Bruce Haines-aye. **Motion carried**

Motion was made by Gene Williams seconded to deny the Hughes County Conservation District application for Soil Health and Productivity in the amount of \$41,089.00 Roll call vote taken: Gene Williams-aye, Dusty Rodiek-aye, Tom

Glover-aye, Doug Hansen-aye, Charlie Moe-aye, Gerald Thaden-aye, Bruce Haines-aye. **Motion carried. Reason for the denial is because of its funding request and we are not in a position to approve a loan request for research.**

Motion was made by Tom Glover seconded to approve the Hyde County Conservation District application for Hyde/Faulk Enhancement in the amount of \$53,490.00. Roll call vote taken: Gene Williams-aye, Dusty Rodiek-aye, Tom Glover-aye, Doug Hansen-aye, Charlie Moe-aye, Gerald Thaden-aye, Bruce Haines-aye. **Motion carried**

Motion was made by Bruce Haines seconded to approve the Miner County Conservation District application for East Central Range Stewardship in the amount of \$48,000.00. Roll call vote taken: Gene Williams-aye, Dusty Rodiek-aye, Tom Glover-aye, Doug Hansen-aye, Charlie Moe-aye, Gerald Thaden-aye, Bruce Haines-aye. **Motion carried**

Motion was made by Gerald Williams seconded to approve the Pennington County Conservation District application for Thinning for Forest Health in the amount of \$32,500.00. Roll call vote taken: Gene Williams-aye, Dusty Rodiek-aye, Tom Glover-aye, Doug Hansen-aye, Charlie Moe-aye, Gerald Thaden-aye, Bruce Haines-aye. **Motion carried**

Motion was made by Dusty Rodiek seconded to approve the Roberts County Conservation District application for 2020 Trees in the amount of \$9,550.00. Roll call vote taken: Gene Williams-aye, Dusty Rodiek-aye, Tom Glover-aye, Doug Hansen-aye, Charlie Moe-aye, Gerald Thaden-aye, Bruce Haines-aye. **Motion carried**

Motion was made by Gene Williams seconded to approve the Roberts County Conservation District application for Conservation Education & Awareness in the amount of \$3,282.75. Roll call vote taken: Gene Williams-aye, Dusty Rodiek-aye, Tom Glover-aye, Doug Hansen-aye, Charlie Moe-aye, Gerald Thaden-aye, Bruce Haines-aye. **Motion carried**

Motion was made by Gerald Thaden seconded to approve the Spink County Conservation District application for 80th Anniversary Education & Awareness application in the amount of \$4,900. Roll call vote taken: Gene Williams-aye, Dusty Rodiek-aye, Tom Glover-aye, Doug Hansen-aye, Charlie Moe-aye, Gerald Thaden-aye, Bruce Haines-aye. **Motion carried**

Motion was made by Gene Williams seconded to approve the Todd County Conservation District application for 2022 Tree Grant in the amount of \$25,000.00. Roll call vote taken: Gene Williams-aye, Dusty Rodiek-aye, Tom Glover-aye, Doug Hansen-aye, Charlie Moe-aye, Gerald Thaden-aye, Bruce Haines-aye. **Motion carried**

Motion was made by Gene Williams motion approved to waive the deadline on the Jones County Conservation District application. Reason for the approval was an emergency request from the Jones County Fire. Roll call vote taken: Gene Williams-aye, Dusty Rodiek-aye, Tom Glover-aye, Doug Hansen-aye, Charlie Moe-aye, Gerald Thaden-aye, Bruce Haines-aye. **Motion carried**

2020 COVID FUNDS: Angela Ahlers gave a brief update on HB 1171 Covid Relief Bill. The legislators approved a one-time funding of \$106,000 for the COVID expenses. Motion was made by Gene Williams and seconded to approve all the COVID Grant applications. Requests were made as follows: Aurora County Conservation District \$5,141.76; Beadle County Conservation District \$6,397.60; Bennett County Conservation District \$1,525.00; Brookings County Conservation District \$1,130.89; Charles Mix County Conservation District \$8,154.50; Codington County Conservation District \$11,448.00; Corson County Conservation District \$684.44; Day County Conservation requested \$1,563.36 request was approved for \$1,411.85; Edmunds County Conservation District \$872.45; Faulk County Conservation District \$2,368.55; Grant County Conservation District \$5,433.66; Hand County Conservation Commission District \$4,450.83; Hanson County Conservation District \$1,200.00; Hughes County Conservation Commission \$5,992.20; Jerauld County Conservation District \$1,933.77; Jones County Conservation Commission \$5,509.58; Kingsbury County Conservation District \$1,639.34; Lincoln County Conservation Commission \$2,337.78; McCook County Conservation District \$4,801.83; McPherson County Conservation District \$3,218.75; Mellette County Conservation District \$2,220.29; Miner County Conservation District \$5,164.43; Minnehaha County Conservation District \$9,216.40; Moody County Conservation Commission \$1,535.00; Potter County Conservation District \$2,047.00; Roberts County Conservation District \$1,377.52; Stanley County Conservation District \$737.50; Sully County Conservation District \$350.00; Todd County Conservation District \$1,529.55; Tri-County Conservation District \$2,960.00 Turner County Conservation District \$1,950.00; Walworth County Conservation District \$2,786.00. Roll call vote taken: Gene Williams-aye, Dusty Rodiek-aye, Tom Glover-aye, Doug Hansen-aye, Charlie Moe-aye, Gerald Thaden- abstain, Bruce Haines-aye. **Motion carried**

Coordinated Plan for Natural Resources Conservation-Bill Smith

Soil Conservation Award Review and Selections-Commission

2021 Soil Conservation Farm, Ranch Awards, 9 total applications Beadle County Joe Fritzsche, Grant County David and Nancy Kruger, Jerauld County Scott Kolousek, Robert County Tim Gleason, Hughes County Dennis “Swede” Larson, Ken Korkow, Will & Kathy Hettinger, Mona and Brent Pries and Gerald Walzel. Motion was made by Gerald Thaden and seconded to approve 7 of the 9 Soil Awards. Mona and Brent Pries and Tim Gleason are not eligible due to the fact they are on the boards in the County they represent. Roll call vote taken: Gene Williams-aye, Dusty Rodiek-aye, Tom Glover-aye, Doug Hansen-aye, Charlie Moe-aye, Gerald Thaden- aye, Bruce Haines-aye. **Motion carried**

NACD Tech Assistance Priority Grants-Commission

SDACD Committee Assignments-Commission

Division Report & Merger Status-Bill Smith

Commission Member & Division Report -Commission & RC&F Staff

Reports were given by: Laura _____ and Colette Kessler (NRCS-Huron Office), Paul _____ with Game Fish and Parks, Angela Ehlers introduced Blaine Brakke (SDACD)

Open Forum and Public Comment: none

New Business

Next Meeting date: will be held during the annual SDACD meeting. The annual SDCE meeting will be held on September 19-20-21, 2021

LOCATION: Spearfish, SD

Ending Remarks: none

Meeting adjourned at 12:00pm CT

APPROVED