

**State Conservation Commission Minutes**  
**January 29, 2026**  
**Teams**

**Call to Order:** Chairman Doug Hansen called the meeting to order at 2:05 PM CST.

**Roll Call of Members Present:** Tom Glover, Dean Odden, Bruce Haines, Duane Schneider, Charlie Moe, Gene Williams, and Doug Hansen.

**Absent: None.**

**Others Present:** Bill Smith (DANR), Alex Roeber (DANR), Jordan Turgeon (DANR), Paul Lorenzen (DANR), April Reiter (DANR), Angela Ehlers (SDACD), Greg Josten (private citizen), Dawn Schulte (Charles Mix Conservation District), Deanna Kunkel (Codington Conservation District), Katie Schultz (Haakon Conservation District), Jessica Michalski (NRCS), and Tami Moore (Miner Conservation District), and Kyle Reeves (Clark Conservation District.)

**Election of Officers: A motion was made by Charlie Moe and seconded to appoint Doug Hansen for chairman and Gene Williams for vice chair.**

Roll call vote: Tom Glover-aye, Dean Odden-aye, Bruce Haines-aye, Duane Schneider-aye, Charlie Moe-aye, Gene Williams-abstained, and Doug Hansen-abstained. **Motion carried.**

**Conflict of Interest Disclosure: None.**

**Approval of the November minutes:**

**A motion was made by Bruce Haines and seconded to approve the November minutes as submitted.** Roll call vote: Tom Glove-aye, Dean Odden-aye, Bruce Haines-aye, Duane Schneider-aye, Charlie Moe-aye, Gene Williams-aye, and Doug Hansen- aye. **Motion carried.**

**Upcoming Travel:**

**A motion was made by Duane Schneider and seconded to approve the Dean Odden's travel to the SDACD Board meeting in December.** Roll call vote: Tom Glover-aye, Dean Odden- abstained, Bruce Haines-aye, Duane Schneider-Schneider-aye, Charlie Moe-aye, Gene Williams-aye, and Doug Hansen-aye. **Motion carried.**

**A motion was made by Charlie Moe and seconded to approve Dean Odden & Duane Schneider for travel to the Grassland Summit.** Roll call vote: Tom Glover-aye, Dean Odden-aye, Bruce Haines-aye, Duane Schneider-aye, Charlie Moe-aye, Gene Williams-aye, and Doug Hansen-aye. **Motion carried.**

**A motion was made by Bruce Haines and seconded to approve Charlie Moe for travel to the speech contest.** Roll call vote: Tom Glover-aye, Dean Odden-aye, Bruce Haines-aye, Duane Schneider-aye, Charlie Moe-abstained, Gene Williams-aye, and Doug Hansen-aye. **Motion carried.**

**Request for new business to be placed on the agenda: None.**

**Correspondence: None.**

**Revolving Loan Report: Jordan Turgeon** provided the revolving loan status report.

**Revolving Application Review and Action:**

**A motion was made by Bruce H. and seconded to approve Butte's request for \$8,400 Revolving Loan application for a No-Till Drill.** Roll call vote: Tom Glover-aye, Dean Odden-aye, Bruce Haines-aye, Duane Schneider-aye, Charlie Moe-aye, Gene Williams-aye, and Doug Hansen-aye. **Motion carried.**

**Grant Program Updates:**

**Alex Roeber** provided the commission with a status report on the commission grant program.

**A motion was made by Gene Williams and seconded to approve Mellette's request to use the 2026 docket for the grant 2024-CSW-013.** Roll call vote: Tom Glover-aye, Dean Odden-aye, Bruce Haines-aye, Duane Schneider-aye, Charlie Moe-abstained, Gene Williams-aye, and Doug Hansen-aye. **Motion carried.**

**A motion was made by Charlie Moe and seconded to approve Turner's request to extend their Shelterbelt grant 2023-CSW-036 to 6/30/2026.** Roll call vote: Tom Glover-aye, Dean Odden-aye, Bruce Haines-aye, Duane Schneider-aye, Charlie Moe-aye, Gene Williams-aye, and Doug Hansen-aye. **Motion carried.**

**A motion was made by Charlie Moe and seconded to deny Stanley's request to extend their Shelterbelt grant 2025-CSW-034 to 6/30/2027. Roll call vote: Tom Glover-aye, Dean Odden-aye, Bruce Haines-aye, Duane Schneider-aye, Charlie Moe-aye, Gene Williams-aye, and Doug Hansen-aye. Motion carried.**

**Reason for denial was since they had no people apply for this grant, Stanley Conservation District is encouraged to apply for a new grant in a future grant round. The district is also encouraged to provide a list of potential projects when applying for the next grant.**

**Spring Grant Round Date:** The next meeting will be in April, date and location to be determined.

**Natural Resources Award Nomination Review:**

**A motion was made by Bruce Haines and seconded to approve 13 of the 16 Natural Resources Awards as presented. Roll call vote: Tom Glover-aye, Dean Odden-aye, Bruce Haines-aye, Duane Schneider-aye, Charlie Moe-aye, Gene Williams-aye, and Doug Hansen-aye. Motion carried.**

**Commission Member Reports: None**

**Division Report:** Paul Lorenzen updated the Commission on division activities.

**Advisory Board Members Reports:** Angela Ehlers (SDACD), Jessica Michalski (NRCS) was read by Bill Smith, and Tami Moore (SDACDE) updated the Commission on recent activities by their respective organizations.

**Open Forum and Public Comment: None.**

**Next Meeting location and place: TBD**

**Ending Remarks: None.**

**Chairman Hansen declared the meeting adjourned at 3:25 CST.**