

Lincoln Conservation District
801 E 5th Street, Suite 2
Canton, SD 57013

Supervisors Present

Lorin Brass, Chairman
Craig Dittberner, Vice Chairman
Gene Thormodsgaard
Nancy Bitterman, Treasurer

Others Present

Lynda Johnson, Dist. Mgr
Deron Ruesch, NRCS
Jack Majeres, SDACD Area Director

January 16, 2018

Brass called the meeting to order at the USDA Service Center in Canton.

Jack Majeres discussed the meeting that he and Ruesch attended with a teacher from the Harrisburg middle school to discuss Lake Alvin. Majeres talked with Game Fish and Parks, Jason Bauman, they do take water samples on a regular basis. Discussed supervisor election coming up this year. Discussed locally led area work group, supervisors and Johnson need to come up with some questions of what producers concerns are and meet with them. Talked about if there were a major disaster if our cooler would be able to be used. This subject was brought up a number of years ago. Area meeting will be in Howard on June 18th.

Approval of the minutes of December 19, 2017 meeting. Motion by Bitterman and seconded by Thormodsgaard to approve the minutes. Motion carried.

Election of officers were held. Motion by Dittberner to have Brass remain as Chairman, seconded by Thormodsgaard. All approved. Motion by Brass to have Dittberner remain as Vice Chairman and Bitterman to remain as Treasurer, seconded by Thormodsgaard. All approved.

There is a soil health meeting in Mitchell February 15th. Lincoln has 3 certified wetland determination requests in progress. As of now FSA has suspended all new CRP sign ups. Will be sending out grass seeding reminder letters, there is a potential for 45 contract re-enrollments for this year. CSP they have processed 4 out of the 5 payments for 2017. Contract Reviews will be completed by the middle of February. They are processing 20 EQIP and 3 RCPP applications. Screening and ranking will be done on February 6th. Still have some contracts to certify. NRCS has been getting assistance from Marcus Rock for ACEP.

Conservation Plan Report-nothing to report.

Board of Supervisors Report- Bitterman discussed the tree grant that she is reviewing.

January Financial Report-Motion by Bitterman and seconded by Dittberner to pay all bills but SDACD. All approved

Office/Manager Report- Johnson handed out supervisor petitions, we went over the information, Johnson is to contact the auditor's office for some clarification. Leadership will be March 1st and 2nd in Pierre. We tabled the Long Range Plan until our next meeting. Water Festival is March 13th & 14th, Brass showed interest in volunteering. We discussed the estimates we have received for the 2004 Chevy, it is ok to get the bumper done, we will table till next month on discussion with putting in the gooseneck plate and getting the truck wired. Johnson asked for assistance on posting to our face book page, she is not sure how to do links to our page. Bitterman suggested to look on YouTube.

We went over 1 of the NACD evaluation guidelines, discussed getting the word out there of what services we all do.

The board went into executive session to discuss personnel.

The next meeting will February 13, 2018 at 6:00 pm at the office.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lynda Johnson



District Manager