**State Conservation Commission Minutes**

**September 19, 2019**

**SD Department of Ag. 3rd Floor Conference Floor**

**Via Teleconference**

**Call to Order: via teleconference:** the meeting was called to order at 1:03 PM CT by Chairman Doug Hansen.

**Members Present Via Teleconference:** Mike Konechne, Gene Williams, Tom Glover, Doug Hansen, Aaron Kiesz, Charlie Moe, Gerald Thaden, Bruce Haines,

**Members Absent**:

Wayne Bunge

**Others present in person:**

Bill Smith, Bailey Gullikson, and Kim Paxton with the South Dakota Department of Agriculture (SDDA), Kris Dozark with Department of Environmental Natural Resources (DENR), Angela Ehlers Executive Director with the South Dakota Association of Conservation Districts (SDACD).

**Others that were on Teleconference:**

Brian Scott with SDDA, Peggy Loomis with Hamlin Conservation District, Tami Moore with Miner Conservation District, Shauna Kopren with Perkins Conservation District, Kimberly Schweiss with Potter Conservation District, Wendy Mathers with Aurora Conservation District.

**Meeting Minutes:**

Motion was made by Bruce Haines and seconded by to Charlie Moe to approve the

April 25, 2019 minutes as submitted. Roll call vote: Mike Konechne-aye, Gene Williams-aye, Tom Glover-aye, Doug Hansen aye, Aaron Kiesz-aye, Charlie Moe-aye, Gerald Thaden-aye, Bruce Haines-aye. **Motion carried.**

**Corrections and or additions to the minutes:** **None.**

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

**Upcoming travel:**

Bill Smith presented a schedule of upcoming meetings to the Commission. Board members are encouraged to attend at least one of the meetings. Doug Hansen has given approval for travel if a board member attends a meeting. **Motion is not needed to approve for travel**.

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

**Correspondence: None.**

**Loan Report:** Bailey Gullikson gave the loan status report.

**Revolving Loan Applications:** No applications received

**Grant Program/Updates/Changes/Amendments/Report:** Brian Scott gave a report

**Grant Amendments:** Brian Scott presented grants requesting extensions

**Jerauld CD “Shelterbelt Grant” would like a 6-month extension with the project to be completed in spring 2020 due to the 2019 weather conditions.**

**Miner CD “Soil Heath Grant #2019-CSW-028 would like a 6-month extension with the project to be completed in spring 2020 due to the 2019 weather conditions.**

**Marshall CD Grant # 2018 Multi-Purpose /Multi Grant would like a 1-year extension. With the project to be completed in 2020. The request is being asked due to the 2019 weather conditions**.

**Hamlin CD Grant # 2018-CSW-017 Implementing Grazing Management would like a 12-month extension. With the project to be completed in 2020. The request is being asked due to the weather condition in 2019.**

**Perkins CO Grant # 2019-CSW-030 Tree Planting would like a 1-year extension. With the project to be completed at the end of 2020. The request is being asked due to the weather conditions in 2019.**

**Beadle CD Grant # 2019-CSW-001 Livestock Water Quality would like a 1-year extension. With the project to be completed in 2020. The request is being asked due to the weather condition.**

**Beadle CD Grant # 2019-CSW-002 Shelterbelt would like a 1-year extension, With the projected to be completed in 2020. The request is asked due to the weather condition**.

Motion was made by Gene Williams and Charlie Moe seconded by to approve the seven extension requests from the Conservation Districts due to the wet spring and summer we have had in 2019.

**Roll call vote**

Mike Konechne-aye, Gene Williams-aye, Tom Glover-aye, Doug Hansen-aye, Aaron Kiesz-aye, Charlie Moe -aye, Gerald Thaden-aye, Bruce Haines-aye. **Motion carried**.

Partner Reports were given by Angela Ehlers (SDACD) and Kris Dozark (DENR)

* November or SDACD Conference December 9-12.
* Cost-Share Docket Memo
* Division Report (IF time permits), Bill Smith gave a brief report on Division updates
* Coordinated Plan for Natural Resources Conservation Status
* Advisory Board Member Reports (SD School & Public Lands, DENR, SD Game Fish and Parks, NRCS, SDSU Extension Services, SDSU Experiment Station) \* other Partners

**Open Forum and Public Comment. None**

**New Business: None**

**Next Meeting location and place:** The fall grant round will be December 11, 2019 in Pierre. Location in Pierre to be announced at later date. Time to be determined.

**Ending Remarks & Adjournment: None**

**Meeting ending time:** 1:54 Tom Glover got off the phone conference call, 1:55 PM CST meeting ended.