

Brule Buffalo Conservation District December board meeting

December 20, 2023

Charly's 7pm

Members present: Randy Knippling, Leroy Ness, Ryan Urban, Abbey Randall, Jack Friedel, Tate Glaus, James Lindley, Larry Wagner, Zach Zimprich (BBCD employee)

Randy called meeting to order at 7:01 pm.

Leroy made motion to approve agenda, Ryan seconded the motion

Larry made motion to approve November minutes, Abby seconded the motion

Larry motioned and Leroy seconded the motion to approve the treasure's report

Ryan made motion to approve the accounts payable at \$16,614.05, Larry seconded the motion

No NRCS Employee present to give report.

Larry Wagner reported that the NRCS has started to funnel producers to other programs through GFP and Pheasant Forever if they themselves are unable to provide assistance with a project. Larry said this was meant to be a more streamlined and "one stop shop" approach.

Zach Zimprich reported that he has completed the dormant seedings and the lease tractor was returned to Platte. He planted 733 total acres this fall for 11 different producers. Zach has created estimates for all 2024 spring tree plans that he received and will be sending those out in the next month. Tree numbers are considerably down compared to previous years due to CRP currently not being open. Zach reported that he will begin grinding cedars and will do that as long as weather permits.

2024 tree insurance was discussed. It was decided that Zach will type up a new insurance policy going forward

Zach reported that the SD Grassland Initiative is having a conference in Oacoma on March 18-19th. The board discussed sponsoring the event for \$500. This will give the district booth space and logo on promotional materials.

Randy made motion and Larry seconded the motion to sponsor the SD Grassland Initiative for \$500.

Larry called executive session at 7:37

Board came out of executive session at 7:40

Meeting was adjourned at 7:43 by Randy

Recorded by Zach Zimprich