Powder River Conservation District
Monthly Board Meeting
March 12, 2019

Supervisors Present: Dan Mahoney
                      Kevin Lund
                      Wade Curuchet
                      Bill Jones
                      George Renkert

Others Present: Anita Bartlett, District Manager
               Linda Greenough, JC Commissioner
               Allison McKenzie, District Conservationist

The regular board meeting was called to order by Board Chair Bill Jones at 6:37 p.m.

Wade Curuchet moved to accept the minutes from the February 12, 2019 regular Board Meeting. Kevin Lund Second. Motion Carried.

The Treasurer’s Report was reviewed as follows:

Checking          $ 137,291.05
Savings           $ 706,715.50
Petty Cash        $     5.05
Liquid Liability Fund $    21.83
Total              $ 844,033.43

**MARCH MONTHLY EXPENSES**

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Grand Total $ 8,643.83

Kevin Lund moved to approve the Treasurer’s Report, reconciliation of the February Savings and Checking Account Statements and to accept payment of all bills. George Renkert Second. Motion Carried.
BUSINESS:

1. SumaGroulx Experiment
   -The board continued to discuss the merits of conducting a SumaGroulx Experiment. They discussed utilizing a 25-acre plot that was currently performing poorly for the experiment. Strips would be left throughout the project to compare treated verse non-treated soil. This experiment would also be compared to the cover crop experiments conducted on Harlan/Lund’s. The board wanted to conduct further research and would like to continue to discuss the topic next month.

2. Public Records Legislation Update
   -Anita Bartlett informed the board that a new Public Records Bill had been passed and will take effect on July 1, 2019. There is discussion on a training being held to go over the new law so that Special Districts will be in compliance.

3. WOTUS Webinar Report
   -Anita Bartlett stated that she participated in the WOTUS Webinar. The webinar when over the new rule and discussed clarification that had been made on what is considered a WOTUS and what is exempt. The new rule is more clearly defined then the 2015 rule. Anita handed out her notes from the Webinar to the board.

4. Gardening Workshop Report
   -Anita Bartlett reported that the Gardening Workshop was well attended with 17 attendees and all stated that they enjoyed the workshop. As well the Voice wrote a very nice write up regarding the workshop.

5. Game & Fish Grant/Cost Share for 28 Ranch
   -Anita Bartlett stated that the WY Game and Fish and contacted her about facilitating a G&F grant for the 28 Ranch and allowing them to apply for cost share funding for habitat plantings on their Ranch. However, after discussing the project with Allison McKenzie and looking up the property on a map the 28 Ranch does not have property within the Powder River CD. The board discussed the project and decided it would be best to refer the Game and Fish Department to the Clear Creak Conservation District in Buffalo for assistance.

6. Schedule Annual Employee Review
   -Anita Bartlett stated that her annual review is due to be done next month per district policy. She asked if the board would like to do it following the board meeting or schedule if for another date. The board stated they would like to tentatively schedule it for the end of next months board meeting provided all board members are in attendance.
7. **Tree Sales**  
-Anita Bartlett informed the board that she had received a considerable number of tree orders this year with a few weeks still left to order. She wanted to know what arrangements the board would like to make to assist with unloading the trees. At this time, we are scheduled to get 116 larges stock shrubs and trees which are tentatively scheduled to arrive in late April. A date has not been set yet by the nursery. The board would like to think on this issue and discuss it further next month.

8. **Special District Training**  
-County Commissioner Linda Greenough stated that there would be a Special District Training on Wednesday, April 10, 2019 from 11:30-1:00pm in the County Commissioner’s Chambers. Civil Deputy County Attorney Barry Crago would be presenting the training.

9. **District Report**  
-The District Manager’s Report was discussed.

10. **NRCS Field Office Report**  
-The NRCS Field Office Report was discussed.

The next regular Board Meeting was scheduled for Tuesday, April 9, 2019 at 6:30pm. Kevin Lund moved to adjourn the meeting, Wade Curuchet Second. Motion carried 7:45 pm.

Respectfully Submitted:

Anita M. Bartlett, District Manager

William Jones, Chair

Wade Curuchet, Secretary/Treasurer