BELLE FOURCHE RIVER WATERSHED PARTNERSHIP AUGUST 20, 2015 MINUTES

Call meeting to order: Tim Reich @ 1:05pm

Present: Sarah Eggebo-NRCS, Karl Jensen-Lawrence CD, Tanse Herrmann-NRCS, Valerie Riter-NRCS, Jared Oswald-RESPEC, Bill Anderson-BFID, Dale Lundgren-Elk Creek CD, Matt Stoltenberg, Tim Reich-Butte CD, Joe Nichols-USFWS and Yvette Kirkman-Butte CD/BFRWP

Minutes were mailed and copies provided, Karl Jensen moved to approve the minutes from the June meeting, Bill Anderson seconded, all in favor, motion carried.

Karl Jensen presented the treasurer's report, Bill Anderson moved to approve, Dale Lundgren seconded, all in favor, motion carried.

Matt Stoltenberg gave an update on the closing out of Segment 6 and discussed amendments for Segment 7. Project funding was discussed and approved, some planning and construction has begun and majority of range/riparian projects were scaled down. Amendments to Segment 7 were approved with the addition of I&E funds for no-till and cover crop demo and grass seeding BMP.

Continuing informational ads with Jim Thompson was discussed and funding approved, Karl moved to approve \$1000 for the segments, Bill seconded, all in favor, motion carried.

There will be a Grazing Field Day held at Ellen Reddick's, via email on Aug. 3 it was proposed to sponsor the training materials for the field day, Karl moved to approve \$160, Dale seconded, all in favor, motion was carried.

In other business, the SD Envirothon is in need of restructure, DENR would like to see the Discovery Center as a leadership point for the state program, a meeting will be held at a later date for discussion.

Karl Jensen, who is also on the SDACD board, discussed the Task Force and the development of the 9 watershed districts and a committee has been set up with 4 political and 3 civilian members. The first meeting will be organizational and meetings to follow will delegate where lines will be drawn for those 9 districts and the specifics of taxing authority, etc.

Next meeting will be January 21, 2016 @ 1pm, First Interstate Bank