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The October 9th, 2020 meeting of the Custer County Conservation district was called to order at 9:00 AM by Dave Thom.

In attendance were: Caley Buckert, Dave Thom, Oonagh Wood, Paul Nettinga, Tamarah Caster, Matt Walsh, Faryn Klebe, Julie Wheeler and Justin Boerboom.

All motions were approved unanimously unless otherwise noted.

September 10, 2020 meeting minutes and this meeting's agenda were approved after a motion by Paul with a second by Tamarah.

Partnership Reports:

- NRCS Representative: Justin Boerboom gave Justine's report- Report attached
 - Start work on next years CIS Possibly two chiefs project with grasslands to work more with landowners in the eastern side of county
- NWTF Forester: Faryn Klebe gave the final report for the French Creek Ripian Area project, report will be attached
- SDDA Forester: Matt Walsh- Has 3 applications for thinning, working on getting another. Checked with state and the landowner can still do the work themselves and qualify for the 50/50

Financial Report:

• Account balances

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- Main Checking
 - \$8,727.74
 - Grant Checking
 - \$1458.41
- \circ Savings
 - \$41,099.01

Correspondence:

• Pollinator grant opportunity- Dave e-mail

Old Business:

- NRCS CIS-
 - Custer Highlands/Elk Mountain
 - Caley to rework post card- aiming to mail out Mid January
 - Less wordy- needs more exciting "draw in" wording
 - Eastern Custer County
 - Justin was present to talk with the board about option with a CIS for next year
 - Julie Wheeler was also present

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- Going to work with both to figure out if it's the best approach for addressing resource concerns in the area
- Two chiefs project might be better for weed treatment
- Approval of CCD Thinning Grant Applications
 - Motion by Oongah and a second my Tamarah to approve the 3 applications and for Caley to send out approval letter
- Position status
 - Caley is still on part time, the job has been advertised
- Clean out day- Dave and Oonagh to help clean out storage in old weed and pest building.

New Business:

Other Business:

Next meeting: Friday November 13th 9:00-11:00 AM - Pine room

Adjournment: 11:29 AM