

MINUTES
SOILS COMMITTEE MEETING
GRAND FORKS COUNTY OFFICE BUILDING
January 7, 2015 @ 9:00 A.M.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: David Burkland, Allan Peterson, Frank Matejcek, and Terry Stadstad

OTHERS PRESENT: Keith Drees, Dan Dubuque, Chris Griffin, Gary Malm & Amber Gudajtes.

Mr. Burkland opened the meeting.

Mr. Burkland was nominated by Mr. Matejcek to remain chairperson. No other nominations were taken, Mr. Burkland unanimously was accepted.

Ms. Gudajtes discussed the ag land values for 2015. We currently are at 92% of the value which means there will not be an increase in ag land values for 2015.

Ms. Gudajtes handed out a list of the wheat and soybean PI's.

Ms. Gudajtes advised the group that a decision on the non-cropland values needs to be made. The state does not want us using a flat rate for non-cropland, but must base value on soil types. The committee discussed the non-cropland values. Motion by Mr. Peterson, 2nd by Mr. Stadstad to value non-cropland using soil types and cropland values but reducing values so that the overall non-cropland value does not change, approved.

Ms. Gudajtes will bring a few examples of what these changes will do to some parcels with non-cropland to the next meeting.

The next meeting will be on Thursday, February 19, 2015 at 9:00 AM.

Meeting adjourned.

Submitted by Secretary, Amber Gudajtes