

MINUTES
SOILS COMMITTEE MEETING
GRAND FORKS COUNTY OFFICE BUILDING
May 21, 2015 @ 9:00 A.M.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: David Burkland, Allan Peterson, and Terry Stadstad
OTHERS PRESENT: Don Uglem, Dan Dubuque, Bob Landman, Greg Otto, Paul Bjorg,
David Jones, & Amber Gudajtes.

Mr. Burkland opened the meeting.

Ms. Gudajtes told the committee that HB 1054 did not pass. Discussion on what should be done with modifiers for Grand Forks County. Ideas on how to measure salinity was discussed: electrical conductivity testing, soil tests, and yield maps. Ms. Gudajtes would like the committee to think about if Grand Forks County should pursue implementing modifiers, which modifiers should be used, what limits should be used, and the process that should be used to implement them for the next meeting.

Mr. Otto appealed his land being valued at cropland values when it is a pasture. He however considers it crop land through FSA to have enough base acres. Grand Forks County has been using FSA maps to determine use. Motion by Mr. Peterson, 2nd by Mr. Stadstad to deny appeal, approved.

The next meeting will be July 14, 2015 at 9:00 AM.

Meeting adjourned.

Submitted by Secretary, Amber Gudajtes