

**Minutes of SDAAO District 8
Thursday, August 6, 2015, Day County Courthouse,
Sisseton, South Dakota**

Members Present:

Dari Schlotte	Day County
Shannon Lee	Marshall County
Barbra Block	Day County
Corina Erickson	Dept. of Revenue
Chris Schafer	Hamlin County
Renee Buck	Hamlin County
Russell Metz	Brown County
Ryan Gruba	Grant County
Gene Loeschke	Brown County
Heidi Selchert	Codington County
Shawna Constant	Codington County
Scott Currence	Roberts County
Patty Johnson	Roberts County
Donna Rhody	Deuel County

Chairman Scott Currence called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone.

The question was asked if there were new employees to introduce. There are no new employees within District 8 at this time.

We discussed Day County's OHE decision. Adjusting for easements on Agricultural land. The decision they received stated that the legislature should decide if easements or conservation programs should be valued separately or differently.

A short discussion was held about other counties and their appeals/OHE cases. Codington County had 1 OHE case and heard that their value was upheld. Hamlin County had 2 cases that went to OHE. Hamlin has heard that their value was upheld on 1 case and has not heard on the 2nd case as of now.

Dari brought up questions concerning Ag land that has been platted with the intent of 1 of the platted parcels to be commercial. Now the surrounding residents do not want the 1 parcel to be commercial. Wondering if it needs to be rezoned to commercial or residential. It is still currently zoned Ag as it is still connected to the 56 acres that

it was platted out of. Shawna from Codington County stated that the city of Watertown zones the land when it is platted. Scott from Roberts County asked if they could get a variance or a conditional use permit.

Shannon from Marshall County asked what other counties Ag land market looked like? Grant & Roberts counties say there has been about a \$1,000/acre drop. Day County stated no drop and their tops sales are around \$6,000/acre, Codington is the same and is around \$9,000/acre. Brown County stated a drop, they have not had anything over \$10,000/acre for a while and in their big years they had sales over \$13,500/acre. Roberts County said they have seen a reversal in the sales, pasture land is more valuable than crop land.

There was discussion on new Table 1's. Deuel County received their new Table 1 and commented on how the ratings and soils have changed. Corina stated that all counties should have their new Table 1 uploaded by 2017.

The question was brought up as to whether or not lake property sales are down? Roberts County stated some lots on Big Stone Lake are going to auction for about half of the price they were purchased for. Also people are buying older houses and tearing them down and building new homes on the land. Codington County is also seeing the older homes torn down and new homes being built do to the lack of lots available on Lake Kampeska. Brown County and Deuel County said the higher end homes are taking longer to sell. Marshall County stated that the smaller lots are going for a premium.

There was discussion on Trust Land that has been deeded but the deed never has been recorded. It was discussed that you do not do anything with a copy of the deed unless it has been recorded.

Corina asked if everyone received their school registration packets. Donna from Deuel County wondered if SDAAO was going to refund the difference if you did not get in to the GIS class since there is an added charge due to the tablets. Corina stated she would find that information out.

It was pointed out that there is a section missing on the Department of Revenues website. Corina took a copy and said she would inform the Department of Revenue so it can be fixed.

Renee from Hamlin County nominated Shannon from Marshall County to be the new Chairman for District 8 Heidi from Codington County Seconded the motion. All voted aye. Thank you Shannon for being the new Chairman.

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by Dari Schlotte. The motion was seconded by Heidi Selchert.