

January 15th, 2020

District 5 Quarterly Meeting

Howard Golf Course, Howard SD

Those present at the meeting were Tammy & Maggie from Kingsbury, Tami & Darcy from Miner, Deb from Lake, DeAnna & Kendra from Moody, Tracy from McCook, Jacob & Reid from Brookings, and Russ from DOR.

Flooding concerns were discussed. Several counties with lake property & municipal flooding have reduced values of properties for lost basement finish, a few abatements have been submitted. More severe cases were subject to FEMA buyouts.

General discussion held on Small Acreages. Variations on how each county values the land. First acre & excess acre rates, distance from large towns, minimum acre requirement for building eligibility, etc.

Russ reported on current legislation to be following. HB 1006 which would allow the secretary of revenue to contract with other entities for the purpose of maintaining a database to determine agricultural income values and to specify the mandatory data in the database. HB 1007 would require certain adjustments to the assessed value of ag land if the factors impact the land's productivity and to require those adjustments to be documented.

Russ also mentioned the new Table 1's should be available Spring 2020 to be implemented for the 2021 assessment. Parcel level changes are to be expected, as well as slight overall changes to total ag values countywide. Potential for the top dollars to shift, soil types, ratings, and whether the soil highest & best use crop or grass could also see changes. The new maps will also match FSA maps which will be helpful to have landowner/DOE using the same survey information.

The mid-year school was also mentioned. Education committee is working on locking down the dates, depending on the location and who they can get to teach the class. The general consensus from the group was it was a great class to take in the past, and many would be interested in taking it again.

Fall school was mentioned with the dates being September 13-18, 2020 in Chamberlain. Potential class offerings were IAAO 101 & IAAO 102, Basics, Appraisal Demonstration Class, and an AG related class. Exact class offerings and teachers still TBD.

2020 Conference SDAAO & NCRAAO held June 23-26 in Sioux Falls was discussed. Planning stages coming along, volunteers to assist from our district, door prizes and district gifts were also discussed.

Our next meeting will be held tentatively April 15 (County Board week) in Minnehaha County.

Motion to adjourn by Jacob, seconded by Russ. Meeting adjourned @ 12:34 PM

Respectfully submitted by:

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