

Yankton County Dairy Production Overlay District Committee Meeting
Minutes
August 29, 2016

Meeting was called to order by Patrick Garrity at 7:00 p.m. on August 29, 2016.

Members present at call to order: County Commissioner Don Kettering, Planning Commissioner Kristi Schultz, Planning Commissioner Dan Klimisch, Drainage Commissioner Kevin Kirschenman, Greg Loest, Newt Hicks and Zane Williams.

25 total in attendance.

Committee and community members signed in and were introduced to the guest speaker, Lynn Boadwine, owner of Boadwine Dairy in Baltic, SD. Boadwine showed a Power Point Presentation of the dairy. Also in attendance was his brother, Kent Boadwine, CFO to answer financial questions. The family started out milking 45 cows. The operation currently milks 2,400 cows three times per day, employs 40 people and utilizes Best Management Practices.

Mr. Boadwine stated that SD is a livestock friendly state. Low cost feed, wide open spaces and transportation is in the mid USA. SD also has good churches and great communities which draws new businesses. The dairy sells manure to neighbors and they also fix local roads and provide dust control in the area. They have 3 dairy locations and employ a total of 145 people. The dairy in Minnehaha County milks 3,600 cows. The majority of entry level employees are Hispanics from Central America. The dairy offers English classes and helps employees get cars and housing. The dairy offers benefits and a 401K. Entry level positions start at \$12.50. Management usually moves their family to the area and can make a top salary of \$75,000. The bilingual children have a bright future and some are attending trade schools.

To set up a dairy, each animal utilizes 53 gallons of water per day and costs approximately \$8,000 per cow. The dairy analyzes the manure with samples. The manure is knifed in 6-7" with 10,000 gallons per acre. There is not much tiling in the area.

The State has guideline but, the County has a right to be more restrictive.

The next meeting will be a Boadwine Dairy tour in Baltic, SD. The bus leaves the YC Government Center at 3:00 PM on September 26, 2016.

The time being 8:40 PM, Zane Williams made a motion to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted:

Patrick Garrity
Zoning Administrator