

## Rural Revival Minutes - January 25, 2021

### Et Cetera Meeting Room

**Directors Present:** Dennis Lehmann, Andre Eisenbeis, Brent Brockmueller, Larry Eisenbeis, Dee Millar, Lillie Eisenbeis, Dennis Jurkovich

**Directors Absent:** Richard Ensz

**Members Present:** Glen Wollman, S. Roy Kaufman, Philip Eisenbeis, Tim Eisenbeis, Bonnie DeNino, Arden Wek

**Web Meeting:** The meeting was also a web meeting via Zoom due to the coronavirus.

**Minutes:** The Minutes of the December 7, 2020 meeting were reviewed. Motion to approve by Philip Eisenbeis, seconded by Dee Millar, passed unanimously.

**Treasurer's Report:** Bank balance \$5,434.77 with \$682.33 designated for the Farmer's Market. Motion to approve by Dee Millar, seconded by S. Roy Kaufman and passed.

**Rural Revival Web Site:** Article about Philip Eisenbeis has been posted.

**Freeman Courier:** The article about Philip Eisenbeis was published in the Freeman Courier on December 10.

#### **Committees:**

##### Land Trust/Access

Concerning the 1/5 share of the 30 acres in the land trust, Roy produced a draft conservation easement proposal and sent it to the committee for review.

Roy will be interviewed on South Dakota Public Radio In the Moment program on Friday January 29 at 11:00 am.

Roy is leading a Bible study based on his latest book on the next two Wednesdays at 7:00 pm at the north church.

##### Education:

Brent showed us the updated brochure that he and Nathan created. A copy is included with these minutes.

Dennis Lehmann will write an article for the Freeman Courier about Colin Waltner and his goat operation.

We hope to have David Graber speak in March about grape production.

The MOSES organic farming conference will be online this year and take place from February 22 to February 27.

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#### Local Foods:

Brent is looking for new Farmer's Market vendors especially for ones selling fresh produce.

#### Butcher Shop:

The Grass Fed Farmer magazine had a couple articles of use. One was about a modular meat packing plant that may be useful for our goals. One unit is able to process 75 head per week. One unit is being operated by a coop in Washington state.

Tri State Neighbor magazine had an article about a butcher training program in Montana that has partial online training.

SDSU added a meat specialist position.

Local butcher shops are at least one year backed up in bookings.

We finished the meeting by watching the first half of the movie "Kiss the Ground". The remainder will be viewed at the next meeting on February 22. The documentary talks about the benefits of regenerating the world's soils.

#### **Adjournment:**

Respectfully submitted by Dennis Jurkovich, Secretary