

## Rural Revival Minutes - January 22, 2024

### Freeman City Library

**Directors Present:** Brent Brockmueller, Beth Kaufman, Dee Millar, S. Roy Kaufman, Dennis Lehmann, Dennis Jurkovich

**Directors Absent:** Lillie Eisenbeis, Philip Eisenbeis

**Members Present:** Lyle Preheim

**Members Present via Zoom:** Bonnie DeNino

**Minutes:** The Minutes of the November 27, 2023 meeting were reviewed. Motion to approve by Roy, seconded by Beth, passed unanimously.

**Treasurer's Report:** no report

#### **Committees:**

##### Land Trust/Access

Roy sent out a letter to 20 churches that explains a little about Rural Revival and asking if they would be willing to meet with two or three of our people.

Roy and Tim will be contacting the churches by phone in the next few weeks.

We would like Austin Unruh to come to a meeting and discuss the land he is renting from Rural Revival. Dennis L has been trying to contact Austin without success so far.

##### Local Foods:

Farmer's Market – In preparation for this summer Brent is reaching out to vendors. One vendor is interested in selling pizza. Yankton county officials have been helpful in understanding the food permit process.

Education: No report

Community Visioning: Brent is looking at scheduling another meeting on a Sunday afternoon in February at the Freeman Arboretum. Angie is helping to organize. Brent is hoping for more open discussion compared to last meeting.

Silver Lake: Bonnie reported that she is working with Richard E. and Todd H. on improving Silver Lake. The spillway is cracked and would flood farm land if it broke. They see Silver Lake as a bird sanctuary because there are large numbers and varieties of birds there in the summer. They would like to see the lake become a community resource. It needs to be dredged out and stocked with fish. South Dakota Game, Fish and Parks are not interested in improving the lake at this time.

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**The next meeting will be on February 26th**

**Adjournment:**

Dee moved and seconded by Roy, meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by Dennis Jurkovich, Secretary