

Rural Revival Minutes – June 23, 2025

Freeman City Library

Directors Present: S. Roy Kaufman, Tim Eisenbeis, Phillip Eisenbeis, Lyle Preheim, Dennis Jurkovich

Directors Absent: Brent Brockmueller, Spencer Bradford, Andre Eisenbeis

Members Present: Dennis Lehmann, Dee Millar

Minutes: The Minutes of the May 26, 2025 meeting were reviewed. Motion to approve by Roy, seconded by Dee, passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: It was agreed that the treasurer will use June 1 to May 31 as the annual report schedule.

Committees:

Land Trust/Access

Roy has prepared a “DRAFT MEMO OF UNDERSTANDING Between Rural Revival of Freeman, South Dakota and Land Stewardship Project” and a proposed outline for the “South Dakota Farm Transition Course”. Copies are included with these notes. The course will likely happen in January to March 2026.

LSP is asking that we guarantee that LSP will receive at least \$2,500 even if less than 10 families participate. The class will be online and in person. Karen Stedler from LSP will travel to Freeman for the first and last session. We would reimburse her for travel expenses. The estimate is \$1,000. There may be \$100 to \$200 paid to presenters.

The group agreed that Roy should proceed with the course.

Local Foods:

No report

Education:

No report

Motion to adjourn meeting by Philip and seconded by Dee, passed unanimously.

The next meeting will be on July 28

Respectfully submitted by Dennis Jurkovich, Secretary

RURAL REVIVAL ANNUAL TREASURER'S REPORT
May 31, 2024 to May 30, 2025.

05-31-2024	Balance on hand.		\$8,085.63.
	<u>Annual Income itemized.</u>		
	Dues	\$ 240.00	
	Land rental payment	884.40	
	Payments for annual land payments	4,976.34	
	Farmer's Market income.	<u>1,007.06</u>	
	Total income for 2024/2025.	\$7,107.80	
	<u>Total available in 2024/2025.</u>		\$15,193.43.
	<u>Annual Expenses itemized.</u>		
	Refreshments for May, 2024, meeting/workshop.	\$ 140.00	
	Contribution to Dakota Rural Action	100.00	
	Property taxes on Rural Revival land.	138.04	
	Land payment	4,976.34	
	Farmer's Market expenses.	<u>636.80</u>	
	Total expenses for 2014-2025.	\$5,991.18	
05-30-2024	Balance on hand		\$9,202.25.

Note: Treasurer's records contain several annual reports, but these are usually based on the calendar year rather than the Rural Revival business year. It made more sense to me to prepare an annual report for our Annual Meeting at the end of June, even though that meant recording income and expenses from the end of May to the end of May. That also makes a good point at which to figure expenses and income for our land purchase and Farmers' Market each year.

Farmer's Market Report.

05-31-2024	Farmer's Market Balance.		\$ 852.13.
	Farmer's Market income (fees for Farmer's Market booths.)		<u>1,007.06</u>
	Total Available in 2024/25.		\$1,859.19
	Farmer's Market expenses:		
	Advertising:	\$ 216.80.	
	Entertainment:	375.00.	
	Specialty Producers membership:	<u>45.00</u>	\$ 636.80
05-30-2024	Farmer's Market Balance		\$1,222.39.

Note: This Farmer's Market Balance is considerably more than what has been reported at recent meetings. This account seems to have always been informally reported, and either original or earlier balances were not correct or income was not always reported this past year. An attempt will be made to keep the Farmer's Market balance up to date in the future.

Note: Members recorded as having paid dues in 2024/25 include: Dennis Lehmann, Dennis Jurokovich, Brent Brockmueller, Andre & Lillie Eisenbeis, Roy Kaufman, Tim Eisenbeis, Dee Millar, Phil Eisenbeis, Lyle Preheim, Megan EisenVos, and Spencer Bradford.

S. Roy Kaufman, Treasurer
Rural Revival
June 18, 2025.