

FRANKLIN COUNTY WEED BOARD

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Minutes Franklin County Noxious Weed Control Board Meeting Monday March 21, 2016 7:00 PM

LOCATION: Weed Board Office, 502 Boeing Street, Port of Pasco

OLD BUSINESS

Meeting was called to order at 7:03 pm by Chairman Marv Grassl; Board Members present were Vice Chair Terry Utecht and Paul Herrman. Guest included Martin Pierret, Pierret, Inc. Staff included Todd Harris; Coordinator, Betsy Crysel; Office Manager, Steven Moreno; Inspector and Marc G. Miller; Inspector.

Minutes from the February 16, 2016 meeting were reviewed and approved with a motion from Paul Herrman and a second by Terry Utecht. Motion passed.

Monthly Financial – Review of the February Treasurers Report, P&L comparison 2015-2016 and Budget update
Meetings & Events attended – Home & Garden Show February 19-22 Pasco, shared booth with Benton County Weed and Pest Boards; Bike Path Meeting Feb 23 with Dan Dotta, City of Pasco Facilities Manager; Coordinator's Conference Mar 9-11 Chelan, all; Small Government Training Mar 16 Richland, Betsy
The Coordinator's conference was well attended. Staff shared information on topics of discussion at the conference.

NEW BUSINESS

Public Hearing to present Section 2 Director candidate was opened by Chairman Marv Grassl at 7:06 p.m.

No public in attendance. Chairman Marv Grassl introduced and presented Martin Pierret as a candidate for nomination to serve on Franklin County Noxious Weed Control Board in the position of Director, Section 2. Betsy reported no other individuals had petitioned for nomination. A brief discussion followed with a motion by Marv Grassl and a second by Terry Utecht to recommend the Board of County Commissioners appoint Martin Pierret to Franklin County Weed Board; Section 2 Director position. Motion passed.

Public Hearing to present Section 2 Director candidate was closed by Chairman Marv Grassl at 7:10 p.m.

Regular Board meeting resumed at 7:10 p.m.

Reappointment of Board Member - Paul Herrman, District 3 Director has been reappointed to a 4 year term expiring 3-1-20. Thank you Paul for continuing to serve!

Expired term of Board Member - Dave Beach, District 2 Director term expired Mar 1, 2016. Dave has expressed a willingness to attend Board meetings as an observer. A sincere thank you to Dave for his years of service and leadership to staff throughout the programs development and growth.

M.D.G.

County Road – The revocable, non-expiring Interlocal Agreement between FCWB and FC Public Works for the roadside spray program was approved and signed by the Board of Commissioners. 2016 Task Assignment was approved and signed by Keith Johnson; County Administrator. FCWB is in receipt of both documents. Spring residual began Feb 23 with 592 spray miles completed in Districts 1&2. Public Works was invoiced and payment received in the amount of \$11,840.00 for application on District 1 & 2 roads. Approximately 400 miles remaining in Districts 4 and 5 for completion of spring residual work. Motion to surplus 1987 International flatbed and 1000 gallon tank by Terry Utecht with a second by Paul Herrman. Motion passed.

WA State Parks – We have received a signed contract for residual application on developed portion of trail and noxious weed work. Todd reported State Parks requested additional hours to allow for work in the Palouse Falls, Lyons Ferry, and Sacajawea Park. The contract specifies 215 hours labor on the Trail right of way and Park Property to survey and control noxious weeds with further management measures to be performed on either the trail or other Parks Property, if time and application timing allows.

BLM – We were contacted by the BLM to conduct a 2016 noxious weed survey in the Juniper Dunes area. Surveying has begun with approximately 467 acres completed. The early notification may allow an herbicide application to be performed in addition to survey time.

FCWB – The new Ford F-250 was delivered and available for viewing at the board meeting. The vehicle will be set up for spraying. Todd suggested it may be time to hire another inspector. Discussion followed with the recommendation to actively pursue an additional inspector.

WSNWCB – Steven reported on the Class A Eradication Funding Project. Steven applied for and FCWB received \$2,500.00 to be used on Ravenna grass control.

Upcoming Meetings & Events – Master Gardener Training Mar 22, Betsy; Farm Fair Mar 29-30

Vouchers 16-030 through 16-043 signed in the amount of \$32,165.16
February payroll...\$ 20,711.21

Next meeting April 18, 2016 7 pm

There being no further business meeting was adjourned by Chairman Marv Grassl at 8:35 p.m.

Franklin County Noxious Weed Control Board
Board of Directors' proceedings for March 21, 2016

Marv D. Grassl
Chairman

April 18, 2016
Date

Tom D. Ha
Clerk of the Board

April 18, 2016
Date