## FRANKLIN COUNTY WEED BOARD

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# Franklin County Noxious Weed Control Board Meeting Minutes May 16, 2016 7:00 PM

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

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

Meeting was called to order by Vice Chair Terry Utecht at 7:08 p.m. Board Members present were Chairman Marv Grassl, Bill Middleton and Martin Pierret.

Minutes from the April 19, 2016 meeting were reviewed and approved with a motion from Martin Pierret and a second by Bill Middleton. Motion passed.

Monthly Financial – Review of the April Treasurers Report, P&L comparison 2015-2016 and Budget update Meetings & Events attended – Municipal Meeting Planning Apr 21, Todd, Betsy, BCWB

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

**County Road-** We have received payment in the amount of \$11,202.32 for completion of residual application and chemical reimbursement. The 1987 International Flatbed and 1000 gallon tank were auctioned at Booker Auction Company on May 7<sup>th</sup>. The preliminary report indicates the lot will bring \$2,668.00 after commission. Todd reported there has been break through on roads sprayed with one mix. Those roads have had to be retreated with a contact mix. Jerry Ellis (Wilbur Ellis) is meeting with us this week to tour roads that did not get a good result. Contact application is set to begin the week of May 23<sup>rd</sup>.

**BLM** – Payment in the amount of \$2,500 has been received for Juniper Dunes survey, chemical reimbursal and herbicide application to 20 acres.

WA State Parks – State Parks has been invoiced in the amount of \$3,094.00 for sterilant work on trail road bed and \$8,600.00 for noxious weed work on the trail right of way for a total of \$11,694.00. Surveying and treatment was performed at Lyons Ferry, Palouse Falls and Sacajawea Park. Todd reported the work is holding well. The hours in the original agreement have been consumed. Andrew Fielding (WA State Parks Regional Advisor) has approved additional hours on the trail and Kochia work in open areas of Sacajawea Park. Work will be performed as time and weather permit.

**BPA** – Staff have completed surveying and herbicide applications made on lines in the lower portion of the County. The greatest weed pressure in powerline right of way is from Rush skeletonweed and kochia. Surveying and herbicide application has begun in the northern portion of the county.

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**FCWB** – Todd reported the new pickup has been equipped with a 30 ft spray boom. It was used on BPA application. Betsy reported on the 30 second spot on KONA radio recruiting for a Field Inspector. The announcement will terminate on May 28<sup>th</sup>. Applications will be accepted through May 31<sup>st</sup>. The ad is also on the County website, FCWB website, Worksource Washington, and distributed statewide to county weed boards. The sign at Middleton's Six Son's Farms was temporarily removed. The sign will be reinstalled in close proximity of its original location. Steven gave an update on progress of the Ravenna Grass project. Marcus is assisting Steven with the project. Steven informed the group the heaviest concentration of Ravenna grass to be along Columbia River Road. Landowners have cooperated in its removal.

**Municipal Meeting** – Staff is working on the Municipal training meeting. The meeting has been scheduled for June 16<sup>th</sup>. This years' training is sponsored by FCWB, BCWB & City of Pasco; a preliminary agenda has been developed. Staff is working on lining up speakers and credits.

Office Space – Todd informed everyone that FCEM and FCWB have had recent discussion on FCEM's impending move from our current location. FCEM cannot give us a timeline when the move might occur.

**Upcoming Meetings & Events** – Pesticide Management in Cattle & Rangelands; May 10, Adams County; D.O.T., May 17, South Central Region, Area 3 County Noxious Weed Control Boards, Pasco

Vouchers #16-058 - #16-067 signed in the amount of \$2,875.97

Next meeting June 20, 2016 -7 pm

There being no further business meeting was adjourned by Chairman Marv Grassl at 8:11 p.m.

### Franklin County Noxious Weed Control Board Board of Directors' proceedings for May 16, 2016

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