

# *FRANKLIN COUNTY WEED BOARD*

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## Minutes Franklin County Noxious Weed Control Board Meeting Monday April 18, 2016 7:00 PM

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

### OLD BUSINESS

Meeting was called to order at 7:02 pm by Chairman Marv Grassl; Board Members present were Vice Chair Terry Utecht and Martin Pierret. Staff included Todd Harris, Coordinator; Betsy Crysel, Office Manager; Steven Moreno, Inspector and Marc G. Miller, Inspector.

Minutes from the March 21, 2016 meeting were reviewed and corrections made. Motion by Terry Utecht to approve minutes as amended with a second by Martin Pierret. Motion passed.

**Monthly Financial** – Review of the March Treasurers Report, P&L comparison 2015-2016 and Budget update  
**Meetings & Events** attended – Master Gardener Training Mar 22, Betsy; Farm Fair Mar 29-30, Betsy & Steven

### NEW BUSINESS

**New Board Member** – The Commissioners appointed Martin Pierret Section 2 Director to a 4 year term expiring Mar 1, 2020. Congratulations and welcome Martin!

**County Road**- Todd reported the residual application on the remaining 391 road miles was completed on 4-1. This marks the first year residual has been applied countywide. The majority of roads are showing a good result, however; a few roads will need a follow up with contact herbicide. Additional chemical was purchased to complete the sensitive residual work. PW's has been invoiced in the amount of \$7,820 for application and \$3,382.32 for chemical reimbursement. Spray Truck 2 was brought to the County Shop for service. The 1987 International Flatbed and 1,000 gallon tank have been delivered to Booker for the May 7th auction.

**BLM** – The Juniper Dunes project was completed on 4-7. The contract was received earlier than in previous years which allowed for herbicide application on 20 acres in the northern portion of Section 30 to address Scotch thistle and Yellow starthistle. Treatment of additional acres south of the initial spray line in future years was discussed. BLM has been invoiced in the amount of \$2,500 for surveying, spraying and chemical reimbursal.

**WA State Parks** – The sterilant application on the developed portion of the trail was completed on 4/11. The selected herbicide mix targeted brushy species that have restricted passage along the trail road bed. Todd shared pictures of trail work one week following application. The pictures indicate the mix is providing the expected result. State Parks has been billed in the amount of \$3,094.00 for application. Todd and staff have begun surveying and herbicide applications on the right of way to protect the trail.

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**FCWB** – A skid has been built for the new pickup. Staff converted a skid previously used on another rig to fit the new truck. Betsy reported an inquiry has been made to KONA radio to advertise for the inspector position. We are waiting for an estimate. We have been informed that one of our signs may need to be relocated. A gas powered weed eater has been purchased for Weed Board & Ravenna Grass project.

**Municipal Training** – Betsy reported the Municipal Training meeting has been scheduled for June 16<sup>th</sup>. FCWB, BCWB and the City of Pasco will be conducting the training. Topics will be determined at a meeting between the agencies on April 21<sup>st</sup>.

**Annual Report**- The 2015 annual report has been completed and was submitted to the State Auditor's office well in advance of the May 30<sup>th</sup> deadline.

**Upcoming Meetings & Events** – Pesticide Management in Cattle & Rangelands; May 10, Adams County

Vouchers 16-045 through 16-057 signed in the amount of \$6,922.60  
March payroll...\$25,365.00

Next meeting May 16, 2016 7 pm

There being no further business meeting was adjourned by Chairman Marv Grassl at 8:04 pm.

Franklin County Noxious Weed Control Board  
Board of Directors' proceedings for April 18, 2016

Maw D. Grassl  
Chairman

May 16, 2016  
Date

Todd S. Han  
Clerk of the Board

May 16, 2016  
Date