

FRANKLIN COUNTY WEED BOARD

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Minutes Franklin County Noxious Weed Control Board Meeting Monday May 20, 2019 7:00 PM

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

OLD BUSINESS

Call to order at 7:00 pm

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Marv Grassl at 7:00 pm. Board Members present were Vice Chair Terry Utecht and Martin Pierret. Also present was guest, Dan Voss, Voss Farms of Pasco, LLC. Minutes from the April 15, 2019 meeting were reviewed and approved with a motion from Martin Pierret and a second by Terry Utecht. Motion passed.

Monthly Financial – Review of the April Treasurers Report, P&L comparison 2018-2019 and Budget update

Upcoming Meetings & Events – Annual Report Filing 5-8-19

NEW BUSINESS

Roadside Spray Program – Todd provided an update on the spring residual application. The residual application has been completed for a total of 1704 shoulder miles. There are a few roads that will be revisited for touch up. Billing is in process and it is anticipated the application charge will be approximately \$34,000 plus a bit more for additional chemical that had to be purchased.

State Parks – A sterilant application on the developed portion of the trail from Ice Harbor to Snake River Junction was completed recently. Andrew Fielding, Resource Steward had given us permission to perform the application and recently informed us that an Interagency Agreement is being put into place effective from July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020. Andrew has requested a work plan from us for this period.

Kahlotus Cell Tower - Todd reported payment in the amount of \$279.80 had been received for labor and chemical reimbursement.

BPA – We have begun working on BPA lines and will continue our noxious weed work as weather and time allows. Discussion on fire risk at wooden poles followed. Todd explained a sterilant application is contracted out to another company but the sterilant used does not work well on kochia. Discussion continued on the targeted noxious weeds on the BPA right of way.

BLM - Todd reported we have received the contract for noxious weed control in Juniper Dunes. The contract allows for an additional 140 acres of noxious weed control, not to exceed \$5,000.00. Discussion on chemical to be used followed.

2019 Cost Share - Todd and Betsy provided an update on spring cost share applications. 959 acres has been sprayed. Payment in the amount of \$805.66 received from Sugar Ranch for reimbursement of aerial application and chemical.

FCWB –

Spray Truck 2 is now back in service and was used to complete the roadside work. Todd believes the truck has more horsepower since the repair was made. Gator 1 needed minor repairs which have been made. It is back in service for field work. Dan was asked to provide an update on the status of his Director Area 1 application. Dan reported he needed two more signatures to complete the application. Todd stated he could provide one of the signatures. Todd reported the 1998 Dodge

M.D.G.

Ram 4x4 (VIN # 1B7HF16Y6WS654549) and miscellaneous parts had sold at Booker auction. We have not yet received the check from Booker but they provided Todd with a summary. The items auctioned brought a good price. The expected settlement after Booker's Commission is \$5,923.75. Betsy provided an update on getting a credit card for Weed Board use. Franklin County allows departments to procure credit cards and has a policy for credit card use in place. Betsy explained Franklin County is in the process of changing banks. Todd recommended we revisit the subject in a couple months after the banking change has occurred.

Upcoming Meetings & Events – The Municipal meeting for pesticide credits has been set for June 18th from 8:00-12:30. The training will be held at City of Pasco Police Community Services Building located at 215 W. Sylvester St. Betsy reported the speakers are lined up and she is filing for WA & OR pesticide credits. Betsy stated she anticipates receiving 4 WA credits from WSDA for the program.

Voucher numbers 19-069 through 19-082 signed in the in the amount of \$22,215.09
April Payroll... \$28,443.00

Next Board Meeting Monday 6/17/19 @ 7:00 pm

There being no further business meeting was adjourned by Chairman Marv Grassl at 8:00 pm.

These are the Board of Director proceedings' for May 20, 2019

Marv D. Grassl
Chairman

6-17-19
Clerk

Scott B. [Signature]
Clerk of the Board

6-17-19
Date