

# FRANKLIN COUNTY WEED BOARD

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## Minutes Franklin County Noxious Weed Control Board Meeting Tuesday February 22, 2022 1:00 PM

LOCATION: 502 Boeing St Pasco, WA

### OLD BUSINESS

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Marv Grassl at 1:00 p.m. Board Members present were Vice Chair Terry Utecht, Martin Pierret and Paul Herrman. Staff included Todd Harris, Program Coordinator; Marc Miller, Lead Inspector and Luis Esquivel, Lead Inspector. The Minutes from the January 18, 2022 meeting were reviewed and approved with a motion from Paul Herrman and a second by Martin Pierret. Motion passed.

**Monthly Financial** – Review of the Treasurers Report, P&L comparison 2021-2022 and Budget update

**Upcoming Meetings & Events** – None since last Board Meeting

### NEW BUSINESS

**FC Roadside** – Todd reported the residual application in the dryland area has been completed. We are currently working in the irrigated area, spraying main arterial roads, approximately 75% complete for the amount of chemical on hand. Todd will follow up with Scott Garberg, Supervisor, to determine where he wants us to spray next. Craig Erdman, County Engineer asked if we could delay billing for the chemical and application until April.

**Cost Share** – Todd explained there was a correction to the amount of available funds reported in the January meeting. *There was an error in the amount reported in the January Board meeting that would carry forward to the 2022 cost share program. The amount reported was \$2,108.27 for a total of \$42,108.27. The correct amount to be carried forward is \$1,208.27 for a total of \$41,208.27.* Randy Rupp's aerial application has been completed.

**Board Meetings** – Discussion on moving Board meetings to a day earlier in the month continued. Board Members are available on the 2nd Thursday of the month. Todd will follow up with Dan Voss to see if the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month is workable for him. Todd explained changing the day Board Meetings are conducted requires placing a notice in the paper. Todd suggested holding off until April to make the change to allow sufficient time for the notice to run.

**Other activities** – The office upgrades have been completed. Todd mentioned the One Ton, his pickup and Luis pickup were going to get new tires.

**Hiring** – The opening for the Field Inspector position was placed on the county website, the Weed Board's website, Indeed.com and for one week in the FC Graphic. There was a printing error in the Graphic. So far, we have not received any applicants. The position will remain open on the county website and the other outside postings for an additional 3 weeks.

**County Contribution** – Todd reported the Commissioners approved an increase in the insurance contribution from \$1,030/month to \$1,379.56/month per employee. The change goes into effect in February.

**Marcus retirement day** – Thursday, February 24<sup>th</sup> will be Marcus' last day.

M.D.G.

Voucher #'s 22-008 through 22-024 signed in the amount of \$65,782.33

Payroll January 2022... \$18,835.

Upcoming meetings and events – Master Gardener Training, 2/22- Betsy; Simplot Wheat Grower Virtual Meeting, 2/23-TBD;  
Home and Garden Show, 2/25-2/27

Next Board Meeting Monday 3/21/2022 @ 7:00 pm, note time change

There being no further business meeting was adjourned at 2:00pm by Chairman Marv Grassl.

These are the Board of Directors' proceedings for February 22, 2022

Mark D. Grassel

Chairman

3-21-2022

Date

Todd S. Han

Clerk of the Board

3-21-2022

Date

