

MINUTES

June 29, 2018

JOHNSON COUNTY WEED & PEST CONTROL DISTRICT BOARD

Members Present:

Scott Lutterman
Scott Rogers
Dick Gould
Tyler Benton
Nathan Williams

Others Present:

Rod Litzel, Supervisor
Katie Hepp, District Clerk

Meeting was called to order at 2:45 pm by Chairman Lutterman. Minutes for the June 7th meeting were approved with a motion by Scott R. and a second by Dick. Financial Statements for June were reviewed. Scott R. moved to approve the financial statements for the general and leafy spurge funds with the addition of June interest. Tyler seconded the passing motion. Payment vouchers for June were reviewed. Dick moved to pay the vouchers and to allow the clerk to write utility, salary, salary related assessments and staff benefit checks as needed. Motion passed after a second from Nathan.

Old Business:

Rod gave an activity update: It has been very busy. The helicopter has had problems with the wind, but, there are two working on Leafy Spurge now. The helicopter spraying Tall Larkspur was broke down for 2 days and has to leave at the beginning of the week, so one from Spurge will go up there and then to the Linch area for spraying Scotch Thistle. The ground crews are doing a great job and putting in long days, as well as, the ATV crew and the contract crew. There is a lot of Leafy Spurge on lower Crazy Woman. Two of the girls crew that are majoring in range management attended the Ventenata/Medusa Head tour in Sheridan County. Rod reported that a lot of the cooperators agreements have been returned for the Leafy Spurge Special Management Program and that list will be published in the bulletin with the budget hearing ad. Rod reported that the meeting with the Commissioners regarding the budget had gone well. He lead discussion on the budget, mil levy, money that scheduled to be paid back by the county and the decrease in funds due to nonpayment of taxes that was expected for the upcoming fiscal year. The Budget Hearing will be held July 10th at 5 pm. Rod read an email requesting Board feedback regarding the Weed & Pest Council setting up guiding principles and hiring an attorney for legal advice. The Board discussed a written legal opinion vs open dialog. The Board agreed by general consensus to submit a resolution to have an open dialog approach to legal advice. Rod will draft a resolution.

New Business:

Rod asked the Board if they wished to continue the ZP Rebate Program for Prairie Dogs and if so, were changes needed. Tyler moved to continue the ZP Rebate Program as it is. Motion passed after a second from Scott R. Rod lead discussion on the need to change the ATV lease agreements with employees. It was brought to his attention that there was not a need for naming the District as "additional insured" on the individual policies. Rod consulted with the County Attorney and LGLP. The liability goes with the employee not the machine; therefore, it is only necessary that the employee provide proof of insurance. The Board agreed by general consensus to change the ATV contracts with the employees to state this.

Other:

Rod reported that there had been a report of Medusa Head on Fieldgroves by the UW Extension agent; however, there is no ground proof for the credibility of the data, but will survey the area to make sure if there is any presence. The Ventenatta/Mudusa head tour at Sheridan County was very educational. Ventenatta is being found in hay and there are a lot of new reports in Sheridan County. Rod has a flight scheduled for Sunday to see if they can find any Ventenatta in Johnson County.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by unanimous ballot at 4:00 pm to executive session to discuss property. The next regular business meeting will be August 2nd at 5:00 pm.

See You at the Next Board Meeting

August 2nd at 5:00 pm

General Fund

Ck Number	Amount	Ck Number	Amount	Ck Number	Amount
15104	21,121.06	15131	1,067.67		
15105	606.40	15132	1,506.99		
15106	2.60	15133	2,742.85		
15107	243.35	15134	1,447.74		
15108	82.75	15135	1,626.66		
15109	5,788.75	15136	2,298.90		
15110	235.93	15137	1,875.51		
15111	25.98	15138	1,550.00		
15112	108.30	15139	391.22		
15113	132.59	15140	1,409.93		
15114	265.00	15141	396.83		
15115	3,984.00	15142	143.51		
15116	92.00	auto	8,123.82		
15117	97.63	15143	1,672.20		
15118	1,854.27	15144	421.20		
15119	1,469.68	15145	1,092.60		
15120	490.00	15146	1,843.00		
15121	11,552.00	15147	69.60		
15122	1,055.59	15148	71.92		
15123	1,300.73	15149	52.50		
15124	1,511.73	15150	194.88		
15125	1,226.62	15151	6.96		
15126	2,578.74	15152	116.00		
15127	805.67				
15128	960.67				
15129	1,226.62				
15130	3,144.95				

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Ck Number	Amount	Ck Number	Amount
564	50,000.00	760	20,000.00
565	115,000.00	761	40,000.00
566	10,000.00		

Leafy Spurge Fund

Ck Number	Amount	Ck Number	Amount	Ck Number	Amount
4823	12,707.16	4836	646.39		
4824	2,005.00	4837	504.05		
4825	718.60	4838	64.23		
4826	1,227.61	Auto	1,983.58		
4827	628.48	4839	13,934.32		
4828	513.12	4840	29,412.50		
4829	709.09	4841	93,600.00		
4830	721.36	4842	15,000.00		
4831	589.44				
4832	669.85				
4833	418.97				
4834	612.66				
4835	971.22				