

MINUTES
June 7, 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
Bob Perry, County Commissioner

Meeting was called to order at 5:00 pm by Chairman Lutterman. Minutes for the May 3rd meeting were approved with a motion by Scott R. and a second by Tyler. Financial Statements for May were reviewed. Nathan moved to approve the financial statements for the general and leafy spurge funds. Dick 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 Tyler.

Old Business:

Rod showed a report on his hours for May. Rod reported that he had given a presentation to First grade students on mosquitos and that the Assistant Supervisor from Campbell County along with an employee had done the Ag Day for the third graders. Part of the crews have started spraying and the weeds are early this year. Rod reported that the guys crews are all returning employees and are doing a good job and will be starting Larkspur soon. There are eight girls, two that are returning employees. The plan was to have one returning employee lead the backpack crew and one the road crew, rotating one of the new employees to the road crew each week. However, one of the girls was unable to physically take the backpacking so she is on the road crew and the remaining girls were given a \$.50 per hour raise to stay on the backpack crew fulltime. Weston Weed Control has started and they are doing a good job with a three person ATV crew. Back Country Spraying started this week and will have a two person crew. The Frontier Helicopters started spraying Leafy Spurge on the 3rd and Sky Aviation will start on the 20th spraying Larkspur. Rod presented two offers that he had on the 2010 Chevy; one for \$8,500 and one for \$12,000. The Board agreed by general consensus to reject both offers. Rod reported that the Wyoming Retirement System will increase on September 1st and asked the Board to make a decision on what percentage they would pay so that he could budget accordingly. Tyler moved to pay 100% of employee and employer share of Wyoming Retirement. Motion passed unanimously after a second from Nathan. Rod reported that there are 57 Landowner Cooperative Agreements signed for the Leafy Spurge SMP. Rod reported that the Mosquito and Invasive Grasses workshops were not well attended, but, there was a lot of good discussion and an eye opener for those attending. Rod reported that he had turned in the proposed budget to the County Clerk requesting 1 mil for the General fund and ½ mil for the Leafy Spurge, which may have to change.

New Business:

Rod asked the Board to set the fiscal year end meeting and the budget hearing. It was agreed by general consensus to have the fiscal year end meeting on June 29th at 2:30 pm and the budget hearing on July 10th at 5 pm.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by unanimous ballot at 6:00 pm to executive session. The next regular business meeting will be the fiscal year end on June 29th at 2:30pm.

