MINUTES June 28, 2019

## JOHNSON COUNTY WEED & PEST CONTROL DISTRICT BOARD

Members Present:

Scott Lutterman, Chairman Scott Rogers, Vice Chairman Dick Gould Tyler Benton Nathan Williams

Others Present:

Rod Litzel, Supervisor Katie Hepp, District Clerk

Meeting was called to order at 10:50 am by Chairman Lutterman. Minutes for the June 6th meeting were approved with a motion by Scott R. and a second by Tyler. Financial Statements for June were reviewed. Scott R. moved to approve the financial statements for the general and leafy spurge funds. Dick seconded the passing motion. Tyler 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 Dick.

Under old business, Rod reported that the Leafy Spurge looked good in some places, bad in others and on one landowner it blew up after 3 years of spraying. There are currently 2 helicopters spraying Leafy Spurge with at least a week to go depending on what they find. There was a small block of Tall Larkspur aerial sprayed on the Bar C about two weeks ago and the Larkspur program started today on the mountain. The backpack crew is doing pretty good, ATV crew is doing a good job and the girls crew is doing pretty good. The road crew ran into a lot of Leafy Spurge on Tipperary and Thompson Creek roads this year. The grasshoppers too there time hatching and then just blew up. APHIS has done four blocks in the southern end of the county. The District has done a block in north east part of the county and the reports continue to come in. Kathleen with APHIS stopped in during the meeting and reported to the Board that they had just completed one block and will start the Taylor/Garnhart block on Tuesday or Wednesday of next week. Rod reported there was a mistake made by the contract crew. They had sprayed some cottonwood trees on Powder River the landowner discovered because of the dye marks on the trees. This may make the trees sick, time will tell how they recover. Katie reported on the Weed Bounty Program; there has been numerous kids participating in the program and approximately 2,600 pounds of Houndstongue has been weighed to date. Rod lead discussion on the new building. He spoke with the commissioners at the budget meeting and they are all in favor of the District building. Behrend construction is doing a set of floor plans just as a foot print of the building for the open house. Rod reported that he had attended the Joint Ag meeting in Sheridan. There was a lot of interesting discussion on invasive grasses which was the major subject. Rod reported on the budget. The Commissioners are good with the District asking for a full mil in both funds and the District is going into the new fiscal year with extra cash carryover. Rod will finalize the budget with the yearend numbers.

Under new business, Rod reported that the Joint Ag have set up a core group which has requested a meeting with the Governor regarding the Wildlife Land Trust, etc. Rod asked that one Board member participate in this and Chairman Lutterman volunteered. Rod presented the bids on the CD's to the Board; ANB Bank 2.03% for a 12 month term, First Nothern Bank 12 month = 2.0%, 18 month = 1.9% and 24 month 1.8%. The Board discussed the difference in total interested earned btw the banks (approx. \$900), the possibility of the interest rates dropping and the liquidity needs of the Board within the next 24 months. Dick moved to open two CD's with First Northern Bank for a period of 24 months at a rate of 1.8%. Motion passed after a second from Tyler. Rod told the Board that the next meeting will be the budget hearing and open house July 11<sup>th</sup>.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by unanimous ballet at 12:00 and the Board went executive session. The next regular business meeting will be August 1st at 5 pm.

## See You at the Next Board Meeting Aug 1st at 5:00 pm

**General Fund** 

Ck Number	Amount	Ck Number	Amount	Ck Number	Amount
15533	100.00	15560	85.20	15586	49.29
15534	89.89	15561	3,932.28		
15535	27.79	15562	69.60		
15536	28.40	15563	69.60		
15537	58.95	15564	194.88		
15538	120.10	15565	10.44		
15539	689.92	15565	Void		
15540	7,973.28	15566	70.20		
15541	83.26	15567	2,791.60		
15542	1,040.86	15568	4,867.20		
15543	Void	15569	35.93		
15544	Void	15570	1,462.32		
15545	110.00	15571	995.88		
15546	300.80	15572	Void		
15547	11.97	15573	1,255.63		
15548	285.00	15574	1,558.71		
15549	250.00	15575	1,562.81		
15550	2,027.00	15576	1,982.98		
15551	151.69	15577	2,150.72		
15552	300.00	15578	1,347.15		
15553	14,886.00	15579	1,506.23		
15554	579.00	15580	1,598.71		
15555	17.98	15581	4,706.17		
15556	202.41	15582	309.11		
15557	218.50	15583	2,712.55		
15558	2,215.00	15584	609.08		
15559	14,845.39	15585	445.55		

**UMM 901026** 

**UMM 901015** 

Ck Number	Amount	Ck Number	Amount
572	230,000.00	770	46,963.00
		771	4,779.00
		772	2,759.00
		773	27,189.80
		774	40,000.00

**Leafy Spurge Fund** 

Ck Number	Amount	Ck Number	Amount	Ck Number	Amount
4909	23,595.00	4922	526.05		
4910	20,832.60	4923	2,656.21		
4911	150,480.00	4924	Void		
4912	25,000.00	4925	848.34		
4913	417.29	Auto	6,291.00		
4914	752.19	4926	1,550.00		
4915	1,765.98	4927	775.28		
4916	510.32	4928	500.24		
4917	2,988.18	4929	77.56		
4918	523.79	4930	2,148.25		
4919	554.89				
4920	741.57				
4921	5,658.74				