

Powell County Weed Board May 21, 2019 Meeting Minutes

Call to Order: The regular monthly meeting was called to order at 7:16 pm by Joe Dippold. In attendance: Tammy Schusted, Joe Dippold, Mark Vetter, Sandy Graveley, Rem Mannix, Ben Quinones, Karen Laitala, and David Wells.

Approved Agenda: Karen made a motion to add Approving of the Bills. Mark Vetter stated that the approval of the bills should come after the Administrative Report and toward the end of the meeting. Mark Vetter made a motion to approve the agenda. Tammy Schusted seconded the motion, and the agenda was approved by the board.

Approved Minutes: Minutes from the April 16th meeting were passed with one amendment, "Ben Quinones discussed the DEQ match contribution to the Clark Fork River Grant and commented on the inclusion of leafy spurge in the Powell County section of the project. Mark Vetter made a motion to approve the minutes with change, seconded by Tammy Schusted, and approved by the board.

Visitor Recognition/Public Comment: There were no visitors and there was no public comment submitted.

Correspondence: Karen presented an article that was written in the Silver State Post. A letter to the Editor, that spoke about the weeds in Powell County.

Reports:

Administrative Report: Was presented by David Wells, went over monthly expenses that had been received. Work that had been accomplished on BPA and Beaverhead-Deer Lodge National Forest. Spoke of the landowner meetings and the turn-out. Presented a request by the staff to make a donation of \$50 to the Powell County 4-H on behalf of the Bob Burns Memorial. Received communication from each MDT area on funding for FY 2020 and agreement with BPA. Special County Grant funding has been received, but failing to show on reports. Will continue to follow up on this with the Treasury.

County Commission Report: Rem Mannix had a meeting with the Helena National Forest. Said that they will be spraying all around the logging work area in Elliston and surrounding area. Not supposed to have many fires this year.

City Weed Report: No representative at meeting.

Member Reports: Tammy Schusted spoke on Houndstongue found on the Prison land.

Weed Coordinator's Report: We had 33 landowners at the Deer Lodge meeting and 37 at the Ovando meeting. Great turn out and people liked the speakers.

Approve Bills: Motion was made by Sandy Graveley to pay bills and seconded by Tammy Schusted.

Old Business: Tabled until next meeting: By-Laws Review.

New Business: Tammy asked about equipment: Jackrabbit spray tank has been installed on the 4 wheeler in Ovando, still need to look into trading the old 4 wheeler. Slide in was supposed to go out, Art Freeman assisted in trying to fix the pump. Karen and David will be attending the crew training in Alder, MT.

The meeting was adjourned by Joe Dippold at 8:10 pm. Motioned by Sandy Graveley and seconded by Mark Vetter.

Minutes Submitted by David Wells.