

Benton County Noxious Weed Control Board

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Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes

Tuesday October 20, 2020

7:00 PM

Location: Weed Board Office 1841 Terminal Dr. Richland, WA

Chairman Danny Downs called the October regular monthly meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Board members present-Darrell Miles, Tony Smith and Earl Morgan.

Staff present- Konrad Kauer, Holly Kress and Luis Villalobos.

Next Board Meeting to be held Tuesday November 17, 2020.

Discuss Earl Morgan's appointment to the board- Earl Morgan was officially appointed to the board to fulfill the remainder of Dave Owens term.

Letter from DOT saying counties no longer have a right to access DOT land- Konrad Kauer provided explanation.

Bank of West credit card due date change.

Review the September 15, 2020 Minutes.

Motion- A motion was made by Tony Smith to approve the September minutes with a second from Darrell Miles. Motion carries 3-0.

Review checks to be approved and payroll.

Checks for October 2020 --#1663 thru #1669= \$6,021.35

Payroll for September 2020-- Direct Deposit= \$15,275.20

Total= \$21,296.55

Motion- A motion was made by Darrell Miles with a second from Tony Smith to approve monthly checks and payroll. Motion carries 3-0.

Review and Discussion of Preliminary Biannual Budget for 2021-2022

Current Projects Report

BPA Report- wrote up report of the work completed and sent invoice \$7,597.00

BLM Grant-Treating Yellow Starthistle and other noxious weeds on lands near Bombing Range Road.

Fair Grounds- Inquired the county (Kirk Ingles) about treatments of the fairgrounds. He will try and have something put together for us to do early spring treatments.

September/October Projects – Continue Survey and treatments of BLM grant areas for Yellow Starthistle// // BPA contract renewal// 2021-2022 Biannual Budget

Upcoming Meetings & Events – Virtual Invasive Species Conference Nov 3-6//Columbia Basin CWMA Fall Webinar Nov 12//State Weed Board meeting (proposed changes to weed class listings) Nov 10// Lower Yakima River Water Quality and Habitat Coordination Meeting Oct 22

Chairman Danny Downs to hold an executive session at the end of the October regular meeting for Coordinator Konrad Kauer’s six month review.

At 8:15 pm Chairman Danny Downs recessed the October regular monthly board meeting to open the executive session. At 8:45 pm Chairman Danny Downs reopened the October regular monthly meeting.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:45 pm

Chairman

Date

Clerk of the Board

Date