

Benton County Noxious Weed Control Board
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Monthly Meeting Minutes
Tuesday August 21, 2018
7:00 PM

Location: Weed Board Office 1908 Butler Loop Richland, WA

Meeting was called to order by chairman Danny Downs at 7:00 pm.
Directors present were Tony Smith, Darrell Miles and Dave Owens. Staff present were Vic Reeve and Holly Kress.

Next Board Meeting to be held September 18, 2018.

Meetings and events attended – Conservation meeting -Holly, WSWA meeting in Ellensburg- Vic, Yakima River Surveying - Staff, Crowder employees - Vic

Review the July 17, 2018 Minutes. Motion to approve the July 17, 2018 minutes was made by Dave Owens with second by Darrell Miles motion carries 4-0.

Review July financial reports --- (Profit & Loss, Balance Sheet, and Budget Status)

Review checks to be approved

Approve checks for August 2018 #1392 thru #1403 = \$4,510.31

Payroll for July 2018 – Direct Deposit = \$20,213.03

Projects Report

Roadside – Second billing to Benton Public Works. 167.5 hrs. Motion to accept Task 3 with a first from Darrell Miles and a Second by Dave Owens, motion carries 4-0.

Candy Mt. – payment has been received, they may be interested in another application this fall.

West Richland --- “park at the lakes” --- another algae treatment is being done at the lake.

Paul Keith Wetland --- meet held July 16 at W Richland lead to a plan to treat Paul Keith ponds in Mid- September to help control of phragmites and mosquito control for next year. The weed board will be actively involved with implementation.

Yakima River - survey with Fish & Wildlife July 23-25, Benton Conservation temperature float July 18 – 20

US Fish & Wildlife – US Fish still has about \$10K left on the weed boards contract that expires December 31, 2018. Timing with roadside work could be a problem.

Conversation followed about hiring possible part time workers.

Assessment, discussion – Vic is setting up meetings with Commissioners to talk with them one on one about our request for a \$1.37 per parcel increase.

