

The Fall River County Weed and Pest Board meeting was call to order by President Jerry Wyatt at 1:00, Oct. 13, 2011 at the Fall River County jury meeting room. Attending members were Jerry Wyatt, John Bogner, Heath Greenough, Wayne Hageman, Wade Wilkins, Nina Steinmetz, and guests, Orval Frahm. All motions unanimous unless otherwise stated. Motion to approve the agenda and minutes of the last meeting was made by Heath G. and seconded by John B.

Other Business: Orval Frahm, past board member, ask to visit with the board. He asked that the board continue doing the good working he has seen in the past and to hold the landowners responsible for their control of noxious weeds. The discussion that followed was a questions and answer time on procedures that the supervisor follows in landowner notification and where the supervisor can travel.

Old Business: The weed and pest budget for 2012 was approved with the addition of a shared office manager. The office is in the process of collecting bids for the removal of a wall in the existing building. Wayne H. made a motion that the Weed and Pest Board would pay for this expense if the county needed assistance. Heath G. seconded the motion.

New Business: The District 4 – Annual meeting is Nov. 1st in Rapid City. Wayne H., Jerry W. and Wade W. all showed interest in attending with Nina S. Agenda for this meeting will be sent out as soon as received from the State. The County allocated funds for the Pine Beetle Battle, and Nina has scheduled a training opportunity with Pennington Co. for pine beetle tree identification, marking, and mapping for tentatively, Oct. 20. Wade W., Richard Strahlow, and Nina S. will be making plans to attend.

Suggestions for possible grant proposals in the area were for the reprinting of the “Invader” newsletter, and assistance to landowners in the Alabaugh fire. The Cheyenne River Salt Cedar clean up will start spot spraying the middle of Oct. and test trials with the PERC machine the in Nov. The office is also working on Thank you notes to be sent to landowners who contacted and worked with the board this year on noxious weed control.

The next meeting is to be November 3, Thursday, 1:00 PM – Fall River County jury meeting room

Motion to Adjourn made by John B. and 2nd by Heath G.

Nina Steinmetz, Secretary

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