FALL RIVER COUNTY WEED & PEST BOARD MEETING

June 2nd, 2015 Minutes

The Fall River County Weed and Pest Board meeting was called to order by President Jerry Wyatt at 2:00 p.m. June 2, 2015 at the Fall River County Weed and Pest Office. Attending members were Jerry Wyatt, John Sides, , Joe Falkenberg, Wayne Hageman, Bob Novtney, and Nina Steinmetz. Landowner Tom Braun was present. All motions unanimous unless otherwise stated. Motion to approve the agenda and minutes of the last meeting was made by Wayne Hageman and seconded by Joe Falkenberg.

Old Business:

Ken McNamara was hired as our new spray help and has been doing well. All the staff was able to attend the SISMA Training, May 18th, in Rapid City.

Nina Steinmetz gave a recap of the Pine Beetle Workshop was held in Hot Springs. There were 5 Fall River landowners present to listen to the Department of Forestry.

New Business:

Prairie Dog Control efforts were delayed due to extra moisture and will be rescheduled.

Coordinating with landowners and the BGNG on Hoary Cress has been good, but the applications have been limited due to the weather and extra moisture.

ROW spray work is going well with Mr. Palmer concentrating on the east side of Fall River Co.

The Dalmatian Toadflax Bugs have been found in all of the past deposit sites and 3 additional sites were added. At this point, that seems to be our best line of control, due to the suggested herbicide being so hazardous to young trees. Mr. Braun stated his concerns with the herbicide suggested and asked for continued information on possible control methods and assistance with neighbor efforts.

Mosquito Trapping has started with the assistance of Ms. Happe. Due to flooding in the Oral area, we will look into a larviside application to standing water. Also discussed cattail issues in the creek.

Bob Novetney, Buffalo Gap National Grasslands, informed the board about spray contract for areas on the Grasslands.

The next scheduled meeting is set for Tuesday, July 14, 2015 – 2:00 p.m. the Fall River County Weed and Pest Office.

Meeting was adjourned.

UNAPPROVED MINUTES

Nina Steinmetz, Secretary

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