

FALL RIVER COUNTY WEED & PEST BOARD MEETING

October 6, 2022 Minutes

The Fall River County Weed and Pest Board meeting was called to order by Vice President John Sides at 1:00 PM, October 6th, 2022 at the Fall River County South Annex. Attending members were Bob Novotny, Wayne Hageman, Joe Faulkenberg, and Nina Steinmetz. Also in attendance was Susan Henderson, Susan Watts, Cindy Brunson, and Jim Sword. All motions unanimous unless otherwise stated. Motion to approve the agenda and budget report was made by Joe F. and seconded by Wayne H. Motion to approve the September minutes was made by Bob N. and seconded by Wayne H.

Old Business:

Supervisor presented report of prairie dog count taken on current prairie dog enforcement. Also presented copy of last correspondences from Ms. Henderson. After a shared discussion, Joe F. made a motion that Ms. Henderson be given a two week extension to lower prairie dog count. No second. Joe F. withdraw the motion. Wayne H. made the motion that Ms. Henderson be given an additional two weeks to continue management and that on Oct. 26, 2022, a count be taken. If prairie dog numbers are at an average of 3 or less prairie dogs per count sites no remediation action will be implemented. Board will begin remediation action if the average of 3 or more prairie dogs per count sites is confirmed. Bob N. seconded the motion. Motion passed.

There have been seven landowners that have contacted the Weed and Pest office inquiring about prairie dog assistance in the form of best practice methods, purchasing of rodenticides, and assistance in applications and applicators.

Reminder will be posted that landowners interested in participating grants for 2022 need to have paperwork and receipts to the Weed and Pest office by Oct. 30, 2022 or sooner.

Approved to look for a part time applicator for weeds and Prairie dog applications.

New Business:

District 4 meeting will be October 25, in Rapid City at The Outdoor Campus. Wayne H. will go with Nina S. to meet the requirement to receive grants for 2023.

2:25 – entered into Executive Session.

2:30 – came out of Executive Session.

The next meeting will be November 3, 2022 at 1:00 PM at the South Annex. Meeting was adjourned.

UNAPPROVED MINUTES

Nina Steinmetz, Secretary

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