

## FALL RIVER COUNTY WEED & PEST BOARD MEETING

September 7, 2023 Minutes

The Fall River County Weed and Pest Board meeting was called to order by President Jerry Wyatt at 1:07 PM, July 6, 2023 at the Fall River County South Annex meeting room. Attending members were Bob Novotny, John Sides, and Nina Steinmetz. Telca Paprocki, Buffalo Gap Grasslands representatives were also in attendance. All motions unanimous unless otherwise stated. Motion to approve the agenda and minutes of the last meeting were made by John Sides and seconded by Bob Novotny.

Old Business:

Telca and Nina gave a report on the Ventenota Tour, July 18<sup>th</sup>, 2023 in Rozet, WY. This invasive grass is getting closer and the need for education on identification is very important.

Educational booth was set up at the Fall River County Fair – Aug. 2-5 – Edgemont, SD. Saturday was the best day for attendance.

Watch Properties update – many landowners are planning on a fall application for thistles and common mullein. Will be doing visits yet this fall for applications.

Mosquito Trapping report – very low numbers for the year of West Nile carriers. No positive pools in Fall River County.

Prairie Dog Concerns: When a complaint is turned into the board and if there are dogs on both sides of the fence, the board is now going to request documentation of prairie dog remedial actions from both sides of the fence.

New Business:

SD Weed & Pest Control Commission Meeting – Rapid City – will be Sept. 13, 2023, Meeting: 1:00 PM and Sept. 14 Tour District 4 – 7:45AM.

Herbicide Jug Recycling – Rapid City – Sept. 13, 2023, County will make a delivery and will still accept jugs from landowners after this date. Empty jugs can be deposited at the Weed and Pest shop area or contact office for pickup from landowner's property.

Ideas for Grant proposals for next year are for assistance with Common Mullein and Baby's Breath.

District 4 Meeting – Nov. 8, 2023 – Rapid City – 8:00 AM We need 2 attendees to qualify for grants 2024.

The next meeting will be October 19, 2023 at 1:00 P.M. at the Fall River County Weed and Pest South Annex. Meeting was adjourned.

UNAPPROVED MINUTES

Nina Steinmetz, Secretary

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