

FALL RIVER COUNTY WEED & PEST BOARD MEETING

June 20, 2024 Minutes

The Fall River County Weed and Pest Board meeting was called to order by Joe Falkenburg at 1:15 PM June 20, 2024 at the Fall River County South Annex meeting room. Attending members, Jill Oeschle, and Nina Steinmetz. All motions unanimous unless otherwise stated. Motion to approve the agenda and minutes of the last meeting were made by Bob Novotny and seconded by Jill Oeschle.

Old Business:

The invasive weeds are growing steadily. Our early season invasive weeds are as follows: Hoary cress is about done, but can still spray under the flowers and around edges, Absinth Wormwood is 8 inches + – ready for a herbicide application but may need to mow and wait for regrowth. Common Mullein is in some plants bolting to great a stock and Canada thistle will be blowing soon.

Linda Kramer was hired to assist with mosquito Surveillance.

The FR Weed and Pest Department still has an opening for a Seasonal Part-time Sprayer – position open till filled. Wage depending on experience. Applicant must pass commercial applicator certification for Genera, 1-3A, and ROW. Also looking at the option of hiring a Compliance letter writer, no Certifications needed.

New Business:

Pasture Walk –June 22 – Whitney Preserve, Bev's Bunkhouse – A few topics include: Top 10 questions about trees, Deer Protection, Native and Invasive grasses and forbes, Erosion demonstration table, and a “Pasture Walk”. Lunch will be served

Fall River Co. Fair Weed and Pest Booth will be set up July 31st through Aug. 3rd, in Edgemont, SD.

The next meeting will be August 15, 2024 at 1:00 P.M. at the Fall River County Weed and Pest Office/ South Annex. Meeting adjourned.

UNAPPROVED MINUTES

Nina Steinmetz, Secretary

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