

**WASHINGTON COUNTY WEED ADVISORY BOARD MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, JANUARY 21, 2020 7:00 p.m.**

Those attending:

Larry Anderson

Tom Yankey

Isaac Ward

Jerry Lunsford

Tom Sutton

Royce Schwenkfelder

Bonnie Davis-Wash. County Weed

Greg Hill-Wash. County Weed

Jim Hickey-Wash. County Weed

***Guests this evening:** Jim Bain-private landowner, Betty Ward-private landowner*

Motion by Tom Sutton that Jerry Lunsford serve as chairman in Harmon Horton's absence this evening. Second by Tom Yankey, motion carries.

Interim Chairman Lunsford called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. Pledge of Allegiance by Isaac Ward, Invocation by Tom Yankey. Bruce Gochnour, Harmon Horton, Calvin Hickey, Sarah Funk and Lonnie Huter are absent this evening.

***Introductions:** Jim Bain is a local landowner and owns an aerial spray business.*

Re-Organize Board-Motion by Tom Sutton that Harmon Horton continue as chair and Bonnie as recording secretary. Second by Royce Schwenkfelder, motion carries.

In the Matter of the Minutes: Motion by Isaac Ward to accept the minutes of the December 10, 2019 meeting as written. Second by Royce Schwenkfelder motion carries.

***In the matter of claims:** N/A*

***In the matter of Correspondence:** N/A*

General Business

Cost Share Updates-Bonnie reported she will have a phone interview with the Cost Share Review committee on Wednesday, January 29, 2020 at 8:15 a.m. Our CWMA generated over \$500,000 in "in-kind" services for 2019. The match ratio was for every dollar we received from ISDA we turned that into \$24. Copies were provided to everyone.

Cooperator Dinner-Bonnie reported the Vendome is double booked with training for the Sheriff's office. She learned this after returning from the weed conference. She has explained to them we cannot reschedule our event. The last she heard from the chamber was they are working on a solution. After our last dinner it was suggested we have special tickets for the kids that attend with special door prizes. She has taken care of those details.

Recertification Seminar-Bonnie reported in Calvin's absence. The date is Thursday, February 20, 2020 from 6-9:15. She is waiting for a couple more confirmation's and is making application to the state for credits.

Poster Contest-Tom Yankey reported the materials have been delivered with explanation to the office staff at the Weiser schools and Jerry and Royce will take the Midvale and Cambridge materials tonight. All posters are due by Friday, April 24th and we will judge on Wednesday, April 29th.

Private Applicator Pesticide Licensing Class-Bonnie reported that she has been checking and they do not have the ½ day review and then the test available at this time. Ronda Hirnyck, University of Idaho pesticide specialist told her about an 8 hour module that reviews the entire training manual that is interactive so you aren't just listening to someone read slides. The cost for this is \$90 and if the weed department purchased it multiple people could watch it at one time possibly in 2-4 hour intervals. They would still have to travel to take the test it would not be given on line. The board would like to see the test offered so our landowners do not have to travel. More discussion to follow.

Tax Assessment Inserts-Bonnie reminded the board that 3 new weeds need selected for the insert that will go out with the spring tax assessments. She provided the board with copies of the inserts we have printed to date. She included some ideas for possibilities to showcase: musk thistle, hounds

tongue, oxeye daisy, purple loosestrife and yellow flag iris. The board will discuss this further at the February meeting.

Project Day Cooperator Minimum Charge-Jerry Lunsford explained this has been discussed at previous meetings. A \$20 minimum charge on project day. Motion was made by Royce Schwenkfelder to charge a \$20 minimum on project day, second by Tom Yankey. Motion carries.

New Business

Summer Weed Tour-The board directed Bonnie to contact Grubbin' BBQ to cater our summer tour. Royce asked about a presentation on Targeted Grazing. BLM is doing more of this and he will visit with Karen Launchbaugh about it. One project area will be highlighted and we will discuss this further next month.

Spring Newsletter-All articles will be due to Aaron by March 20th so he can have it ready for Idaho Power by March 30th. We will be folding at our April 14th meeting.

Royce shared that he was in Boise at the Idaho Rangeland Conservation Partnership conference last week. There is a new effort to try and get collaborative projects done by getting everyone at the table in an effort to prevent litigation in the future.

Announcements & Upcoming Activities

Cooperator Appreciation Dinner-January 30, 2020

Next meeting is Tuesday, February 11, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

Jerry thanked everyone for coming.

Motion to adjourn by Tom Sutton second by Tom Yankey. Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.