



BROWN COUNTY WEED & PEST BOARD MINUTES

Tuesday, June 18, 2024 at 11:30 AM

25 Market St. Suite 2, Aberdeen, SD 57401

Weed & Pest Shop – 10 S. Congress St., Aberdeen, SD

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Present: Duane Jark, Tyler Bierman, Dennis Feickert

Absent: Drew Dennert, Troy Knecht

Duane Jark called the meeting to order.

Tyler Bierman motioned to approve the agenda, seconded by Dennis Feickert, motion carried.

Dennis Feickert motioned to approve the May minutes, seconded by Tyler Bierman, motion carried.

Dennis Feickert motioned to approve the bills, seconded by Tyler Bierman, motion carried

Old Business:

none

New Business:

Weed & Pest Department Monthly Update:

Round one of county ROW spraying has started. We're off to a little slower start than last year due to the weather but we're making good progress. We still have a couple private jobs we're trying to get in, plus we need to inspect the school land in Ravinia township to see if that can be sprayed for the state. We also started our mosquito fogging program.

The new data loggers we purchased through SpraySync have been installed and seem to be working quite well. They're easy to use and track each individual spray zone when we're out. It also seems to be working very well for mosquito fogging.

Erik Jones and his staff from SDSU were in Aberdeen on June 13th to do a test plot for leafy spurge control over by Wylie Park. Chris Hemen invited Aberdeen code enforcement to observe since the area is within city limits. The test plot will be inspected again in the fall to rate the efficacy of the chemicals tested. We also went to an area next to Elm Lake to do another test plot for absinth wormwood, however the wind was too strong to safely apply pesticide. The area was plotted out and flagged, so Erik and his crew will return to finish testing.

Other Matters

none

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, July 16th, at 11:30AM at the Weed & Pest shop.

Tyler Bierman motioned to adjourn, seconded by Dennis Feickert, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "CHemen".

Chris Hemen

Brown County Weed & Pest Supervisor