



## **BROWN COUNTY WEED & PEST BOARD MINUTES**

**Tuesday, February 10, 2026**

**25 Market St. Suite 2, Aberdeen, SD 57401**

**Conference Room – Brown County Courthouse Basement**

**605-626-7145 ~ 605-216-1133**

Present: Landon Ellingson, Drew Dennert, Troy Knecht

Absent: Dennis Feickert, Tyler Bierman

Troy Knecht called the meeting to order.

Drew Dennert motioned to approve the agenda, seconded by Landon Ellingson, motion carried.

Landon Ellingson motioned to approve the December minutes, seconded by Drew Dennert, motion carried.

Landon Ellingson motioned to approve the bills, seconded by Drew Dennert, motion carried

### **Old Business:**

none

### **New Business:**

#### **Review of Open Meeting Laws**

A copy of the South Dakota Open Meeting Law was presented to the Weed & Pest Board. Chris Hemen read aloud the key points. Drew Dennert motioned to acknowledge the receipt and reading of the Open Meeting Laws, seconded by Landon Ellingson, motion carried.

#### **Annual Township Meeting Agenda**

Chris Hemen confirmed with Gene Loeschke that the Assessor's office will be holding their annual Equalization meeting on March 10<sup>th</sup> at 1:00PM. The Weed & Pest Board will have their annual presentation immediately after (approximately 1:45). He will speak with Jeremiah Phelps with the DANR to see if he can attend and do a presentation. He will also check with USF&W, FSA, and NRCS to see if anyone there would like to do a quick introduction.

#### **Weed & Pest Department Monthly Update**

The annual Weed & Pest Conference will be held in Deadwood this year on February 17<sup>th</sup> – February 20<sup>th</sup>. All three employees from W&P will be going. Goals for this year's conference include finishing up the chemical bid, looking into how recertification classes can be less complicated, and talking with other Weed & Pest Supervisors about possibilities for a new sprayer.

Chris Hemen will be volunteering at the Watertown Farm show on Friday the 13<sup>th</sup> of February.

### **Other Matters**

none

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, March 10<sup>th</sup>, at 1:00PM in the Weed & Pest Office.

Landon Ellingson motioned to adjourn, seconded by Drew Dennert, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by,

Chris Hemen

Brown County Weed & Pest Supervisor