



**BROWN COUNTY WEED & PEST BOARD MINUTES**

Tuesday, September 18, 2018

1019 1<sup>st</sup> Ave SE, Aberdeen, SD 57401

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Present: Duane Jark, Rachel Kippley, Dennis Wiedebush, Mark Hoven,  
Absent: Troy Knecht

Dennis Wiedebush called the meeting to order.

Duane Jark motioned to approve the July minutes, seconded by Rachel Kippley, motion carried.

Mark Hoven motioned to approve the July bills, seconded by Duane Jark, motion carried.

**Old Business:**

None

**New Business:**

Surplus Equipment

The Weed & Pest department has an extra London Fog mosquito fogger that Chris Hemen suggested we put up for surplus. Mark Hoven motioned that we surplus the extra fogger, seconded by Duane Jark. Motion carried. Chris Hemen will work with the auditors to get the unit sold.

Brown County Fair Recap.

Chris Hemen stated that fair attendance was noticeably lower than last year, but we still had a lot of good questions at the booth. One visitor reported that he had salt cedar on his property. We inspected it and did find 3 salt cedar plants, which were cut down and treated with AquaNeat. We will continue to monitor the area. This was also the first year we used the Kubota to fog mosquitoes at the fair. It worked much better than the trucks as far as getting in tight areas.

Weed & Pest Department Monthly Update:

We just started our 3<sup>rd</sup> round of ROW spraying for the county and will be doing townships as they come in.

Mosquito fogging will most likely be coming to an end either this week or after next week as nighttime temperatures continue to drop.

We are also looking at purchasing a fuel transfer tank for one of the trucks so we aren't emptying the 50 gallon tank out at the highway shop all the time. Mark Hoven suggested contacting Midwest Pump & Tank to get a quote on a safety rated tank. Chris Hemen will get prices and give that information to the commission.

The Mosquito conference in Aberdeen is going to be on October 10<sup>th</sup> at the AARC. All 4 Weed & Pest employees will be going and getting their Cat. 9 recertification.

**Other Matters:**

We discussed moving the Weed & Pest office to the newly purchased building on 1<sup>st</sup> St.

Dennis Wiedebush asked if we needed to do anything for the District 1 Weed & Pest meeting taking place in Stratford this November. Chris Hemen will check with the association and make sure all the arrangements are made.

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, October 16<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 11:30AM at the Weed & Pest office.

Mark Hoven motioned to adjourn, seconded by Duane Jark, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by,

Chris Hemen  
Brown County Weed & Pest Supervisor