

PROCEEDINGS OF THE ADAMS COUNTY WEED BOARD

March 17, 2022

The Adams County Weed Board met at the Adams County Courthouse in Hettinger with the following members present: Allan Earsley, Norris Erickson, Sr., and Bill Christman.

Also present was Weed Control Officer Tim Milliren and Rodney Howe

Board Chairman Earsley called the meeting to order at 1:00 pm.

Board Member Christman moved to approve the minutes of the March 18th, 2021 meeting as presented. Second by Board Member Erickson and by unanimous vote, motion carried.

Board Member Erickson moved to approve the agenda. Second by Board Member Christman and by unanimous vote, motion carried.

Board Member Christman nominated Allan Earsley for the reappointment of the Board Chairman, second by Board Member Erickson, and by unanimous vote; motion carried. No changes or vote to change Vice Chair (Howard Nelson)

The 2021 financial statement was reviewed by the Board.

Rodney Howe discussed issues with the date on the cost share application, the Board informed Mr. Howe, they were going to discuss changing the date from the 1st of October deadline to the 15th of October. Mr. Howe also discussed allowed chemicals for leafy spurge. Weed Officer, Tim Milliren, discussed the chemicals being referenced were already approved for use. Mr. Howe thanked the Board for their time.

Weed Control Officer, Tim Milliren gave updates to the Board, not a lot to update as it was a very dry year. There was only a handful of weed complaints over the last year. Mr. Milliren requested an increase in pay of \$5 per hour more. The request is due to the increase in gas. Mr. Milliren gets paid the state mileage rate but that doesn't help when he has to pull a trailer for his equipment. Board Member Christman approved the \$5 an hour increase in pay, second by Board Member Erickson, and by unanimous vote; motion carried. Mr. Milliren discussed his request to extend the cost share application deadline from October 1 to October 15, to help landowners get Fall spraying accomplished. Board Member Erickson moved to approve the deadline for the cost share as October 15, 2022, second by Board Member Christman, and by unanimous vote; motion carried. Board Member Christman moved to keep the 80-20 cost share the same as previous years, second by Board Member Erickson, and by unanimous vote; motion carried.

Board Member Christman moved to approve the 2022 weed board assignment areas which remain the same as 2021, Second by Board Member Erickson and by unanimous vote, motion carried.

Assignments and are as follows:

Allan Earsley: Whetstone Township; Darling Springs Township; Wolf Butte Township; Lemmon Township
Kathy Vliem: Kansas City Township; Dakota Township; Spring Butte Township; South Fork Township
Howard Nelson: Reeder Township; Bucyrus Township; Holt Township; Duck Creek Township
Chuck Christman: Chandler Township; Jordan Township; Cedar Butte Township; Beisigl Township
Norris Erickson: Lightning Creek Township; Holden Township; Hettinger Township; Scott Township
Hannah Nordby: Cedar Township; Maine Township; Taylor Butte Township; Argonne Township
Bill Christman: Clermont Township; Gilstrap Township; North Lemmon Township; Orange Township

Discussion was had on what roads Weed Officer Milliren, is responsible, he informed the Board that he only does maintained roads.

Board Appointments of Norris Erickson Sr, and Howard Nelson are due to expire in May, 2022. Mr. Erickson welcomed the option to stay on the Board. Board Chairman, Earsley will contact Howard Nelson to see if he has interest in another term. The Board Appointments will then be given to the Adams County Commissioners for final appointment.

Board Member Erickson moved to adjourn the meeting
Board Member Christman seconded.
Board Chairman Earsley declared meeting adjourned at 1:39 pm

Allan Earsley, Chairman

Attest:

Krista Faller, Secretary