

Brookings County Weed & Pest Board Meeting, Thursday, January 26, 2023.

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January 26, 2023

Steve Olson Called the January 27, 2023, Meeting of the Weed & Pest Board to order at 1:00 P.M. Those in attendance were Randy Meyer, Steve Olson, Misty Moser, Kelly VanderWal, Joel Ripley, and Tim Bauer.

Steve called for any additions or corrections to the agenda. there were none, motion by Tim Bauer to approved and seconded by VanderWal.

Minutes approved as written, motion by Randy and second by Joel Ripley.

**Old Business:**

**Chemical Bid** – Misty Handed out a bid tab sheet with the vendors and bid prices chemical prices went up for this year. The Meyer made a motion to accept all bids Tim Bauer seconded. Misty stated that Graslant L is now Grazon PD3 it is the same formula as Graslant L just changed names and costs more. Misty was asked to give a report on how 2 different chemical comparison on a county road Misty will give report to board in the fall.

**Towns and Townships/annual meeting** – Misty handed out the agenda for the annual towns and township meeting. Misty explained that the towns & townships meeting will start at 10 AM March 2, 2023, and the Weed & pest board meeting will start at 1 PM. Ripley made a motion to purchase gopher traps again this year Tim Bauer seconded, these are for the door prizes for the Annual Weed & Pest meeting.

**Recertification** – Misty stated that it was a total cost of \$290.00 to update license and recertify our commercial applicator license this year.

**February Weed & Pest conference-** Annual weed and pest conference in Huron SD, is February 15-17, thank you to Kelly VanderWal & Ben Rentsch for planning to attend.

**New Business:**

**Township/ Contracts-** Misty stated that letters were sent out in September 2022 to get a better idea of how many townships were going to utilize the county spray program. And we got a total of 9 back that reported yes or no.

**Gopher Program-** Misty has sent out the gopher totals and the bills to ITC and Sioux Valley for the 2022 season.

**Truck repair-** 2005 Sterling is currently having repairs done on the engine and misty handed out the estimate for that truck.

**Employee Update-** It was brought up by the board members if we have a full crew for the 2023 season. Misty stated that at this point we do have 2 ATV drivers returning. We also have the two ½ and ½ positions that come back every year.

DOT was not on the agenda it was brought up by the board if the Brookings County was spraying the dot we will go over the DOT contract soon.

Also welcomed to Kelly VanderWal to the Weed Board.

Randy Meyer Motion to adjourn and Tim Bauer seconded.

Meeting adjourned at 2:20 P.M.

Next Brookings County Weed Board meeting is March 2, 2023 @ 10 AM at the Brookings County Outdoor Adventure Center.