

COWLITZ COUNTY
NOXIOUS WEED CONTROL BOARD MEETING

January 9th, 2019 -- 6:00 p.m.
Administration Annex, 2nd Floor
207 4th Avenue North, Kelso, WA 98626

MINUTES

PRESENT

Members: Joe Godinho, John Gross, Mike Imboden, Eino Suomi, and Bob Roth
Weed Staff: Duane Lane and Beth Tanner.
Guests: Mark Taylor, Voluntary Stewardship Program.

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – The Regular Meeting of the Board was called to order by Mr. Godinho at 6:00 p.m.

2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Dec 12th, 2018**

It was moved by Mr. Suomi and seconded by Mr. Roth to approve the minutes of the December 12th, 2018 meeting as mailed. The motion carried unanimously.

3. **COMMISSIONER’S REPORT** –

Commissioner Gardner was not present.

4. **OLD BUSINESS:**

Action Required:

Update/ No Action:

Voluntary Stewardship Program – Mark Taylor - Introduction – Mr. Taylor introduced himself and the Voluntary Stewardship Program.

Update on Purchase of Truck - Mr. Lane shared that ordering a vehicle specifically to our specifications would result in a 12-20 week wait. There is one truck en route to the local Chevy dealer that closely matches our requirements. They are offering \$3500 for trade-in on the 2007. Mr. Godinho compared the three bids that have been received. The need for a canopy and spray-in bed liner were discussed.

It was moved by Mr. Roth and seconded by Mr. Suomi to move forward with the purchase of the 2019 Chevy truck. The motion carried unanimously.

Update on Redistricting – Mr. Lane shared that the Board of County Commissioners held their hearing regarding our redistricting. The measure passed with a vote of two in favor and one against. Mr. Godinho shared thoughts from the hearing. A brief discussion followed.

Family Leave Payroll Deduction – Ms. Tanner shared a breakdown on the newest payroll deduction. A brief discussion was had.

5. **NEW BUSINESS:**

Action Required:

2019 Weed Board Officers Election – Ms. Tanner reminded that it has been two years since the last election. Mr. Imboden requested we begin looking for a replacement supervisor for his district. Discussions followed.

Mr. Roth nominated Mr. Gross for chairman, Mr. Godinho seconded. Mr. Imboden nominated Mr. Godinho for vice-chair, Mr. Suomi seconded. The motions for both positions carried unanimously.

2019 County Weed List – set hearing date – Ms. Tanner suggested the hearing be set just prior to the next regularly schedule meeting on February 13th. The board concurred and set the hearing for 6 pm on February 13th, 2019.

Update / No Action

2018 Travel Reimbursement – Travel reimbursements forms were completed for reimbursement of 2018 travel expenses.

Inspector Position – timeframe – Mr. Lane requested input regarding the possibility of delaying hiring an inspector, possibly until 2020. Discussions followed regarding priorities, budget, and options. A detailed proposal was requested regarding the requested changes.

OPMA Training for Weed Board Members – Ms. Tanner shared that all Board Members are required to complete OPMA training within 90 days of appointment and every four years thereafter. Training options were discussed. The board opted to watch the training video during the March meeting.

Potential Flyer for Weed Board Recruitment – Mr. Lane asked for ideas regarding potentially putting out a flyer seeking a weed board supervisor for district #3. Locations for posting the flyer and potential sources of board supervisor suggestions were discussed.

6. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

7. OTHER ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA / MISC. CORRESPONDENCE

8. FINANCES

Budget Status Report (December 2018) – The Budget Status and Expenditure Report for December of 2018 was reviewed by the board members. Approximately 73.32% of the budget was processed to date.

Revenue Estimate Status Report and Cash Flow Report (December 2018) – The board members reviewed the reports which shows the cash balance is \$265,694.55.

9. VOUCHERS RATIFICATION

Staff Payroll – Payroll and Front Office reports for December 2018 were presented. The voucher amount for December payments ratification was \$2,021.58.

It was moved by Mr. Suomi and seconded by Mr. Roth to approve the financial reports, staff's payroll, and to ratify the vouchers for November 2018. The motion carried unanimously.

10. ADJOURNMENT – 7:25 p.m.

Chairman

Date