



WEED BOARD MEETING

**117 South Main Street, Monticello, Utah 84535. Commission Chambers
April 07, 2022 at 7:00 AM**

AGENDA

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Consideration and Approval of Weed Board Minutes From March 03, 2022

CITIZEN COMMENTS

BUSINESS/ACTION

WEED SUPERVISOR REPORT

2. Consideration and Approval of April Weed Supervisors Report

NEXT MEETING

ADJOURN

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Weed Board
Meeting Minutes
March 3rd, 2022

1) Call To Order

Blake Peterson began the meeting of the San Juan County Weed Board at 7:19 am on March 3rd, 2022.

2) Roll Call

The following people were present: Dennis Gines, Cade Lewis, Blake Peterson, Todd Adair and Frank Smith

3) Approval of Agenda

Blake Peterson made a motion to approve the agenda. Dennis Gines seconded the motion and the motion was approved by all board members.

4) Approval of Minutes

Dennis Gines made a motion to approve the minutes. Blake Peterson seconded the motion and the motion was approved by all board members.

5) Citizens Comments

No citizen comments were sent or relayed to anyone present at the meeting.

6) Supervisor Report

Frank Smith reported on attending the UWCA conference in Layton, UT. He noted that all applicators, including our seasonal employees will require an applicators license. Frank noted that he plans to hire the yearly seasonal employees to begin in late April. He reported that we are seeking \$95,000 from grants from the UDAF. He reported that all of our ATV and UTV spray rigs have new 10 ply tires which should cut down on flats. He noted that this year we will be doing much more monitoring and documenting of Project areas.

7) Business/Action

8) Next Meeting

April 7th, 2022

9) Adjourn

Dennis Gines made a motion to adjourn and Blake Peterson seconded and the board adjourned with approval from all members.

Weed Department Report Weed Board Meeting 04/07/22

- I submitted 2 grant applications to the Utah Department of Agriculture and Food (UDAF) Invasive Species Mitigation program (ISM) on March 14th. This year we have requested \$34,000 for our Spray Days project and \$63,000 for our San Juan River project for a total of \$97,000. We should know sometime in the next 2 weeks if we have been awarded this funding. If awarded this is an increase of \$10,000 over last year's award.
- Blanding, Monticello and Bluff cities have agreed to be partners on my spray days grant submittal this year. As such I will be coordinating with each city about their weed control efforts and provide them with spray and chemical assistance this season. This will help me to fund weed efforts at the Monticello and Blanding airports and the Monticello golf course. We will also patrol all three cities and coordinate and assist with noxious weed occurrences.
- As part of the spray days grant I have also asked for funding to deal with noxious weed issues that have a likeliness to spread to adjacent properties. This will provide us with the funding to spray private properties on a cost share or no cost basis based on the situation and potential impact of the infestation.
- We will have two spray day herbicide give away events this year with the first one in mid-May and the second in mid-August. We will be distributing in Bluff, Blanding, Monticello, La Sal ans Spanish Valley this year.
- I am happy to report that Don Andrews will be returning as a weed crew member again this year. Unfortunately Rianna Shumway has taken another full time position and will not be returning this year. We will begin advertising the position next week and we will begin the seasonal employee season on May 2nd.
- I am in the process of cleaning and refurbishing all of our spray systems to be as ready as possible for the new spray season. Currently we have two truck based spray rigs with one carrying 400 gallons and the other 300 gallons. We have two 110 gallon Kubota UTV mounted spray rigs and one Honda ATV spray rig with a 30 gallon tank.
- In accordance with the Utah Noxious Weed Act (Utah Code 4-17, Section 109) I will be publishing a Notice to Control Noxious weeds in the San Juan Record before April 31st. I will also have this announced on the Red Rock radio morning show and I will post this notice at all county post offices.