



## **WEED BOARD MEETING**

**117 South Main Street, Monticello, Utah 84535. Commission Chambers  
March 03, 2022 at 7:00 AM**

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### **AGENDA**

#### **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

1. Consideration and Approval of Weed Board Minutes February 3rd, 2022

#### **CITIZEN COMMENTS**

#### **BUSINESS/ACTION**

#### **WEED SUPERVISOR REPORT**

2. Consideration and Approval of March Weed Supervisors Report

#### **NEXT MEETING 04/07/22**

#### **ADJOURN**

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Weed Board  
Meeting Minutes  
February 3rd, 2022

**1) Call To Order**

Cade Lewis began the meeting of the San Juan County Weed Board at 7:09 am on February 3rd, 2022.

**2) Roll Call**

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

**3) Approval of Agenda**

Cade Lewis 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**

Cade Lewis made a motion to approve the minutes. Dennis Gines 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 that UDAF grants had opened on Feb. 1<sup>st</sup> with a submission date of March 18<sup>th</sup>. Funding will begin in June. Frank reported that we will request a slight increase in our grant requests and that we will include Phragmites and Giant reed as target weeds. It was reported that we will be able to spray smaller plots of land this year for a fee. It was reported that the spray pump on the Dodge spray truck will be upgraded for this season. Finally Frank reported that we will be putting new 10 ply tires on our second Kubota so as to cut down on flats.

**7) Business/Action**

**8) Next Meeting**

March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2022

**9) Adjourn**

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

## **Weed Department Report Weed Board Meeting 03/03/22**

- I attended the UWCA conference last week in Layton, Utah. There were sessions involving weed control monitoring; drone use and licensing; companion crops; bio-control; revegetation seed selection; aquatic weed control; non-commercial applicator law changes.
- The non-commercial applicator laws will now require all applicators, including seasonal, to have a weed applicator license through UDAF. Next year our seasonal employees will need to obtain this license as quickly as possible after being hired. In addition the law requires that our herbicide storage facility has a sign that indicates that it is an herbicide or pesticide storage facility along with caution signs.
- I plan to start our seasonal employees in late April. I hope to have both Don Andrews and Rianna Shumway return. I will contact both of them later this month and see what their plans are.
- I have begun the grant application process and hope to submit the grant request early next week. The grant awards will be announced sometime in mid to late April. If are approved for the grants we will receive close to \$95,000 in funding. This is right around \$7000.00 more than last year. The UDAF is asking for an increase in the amount of funding for this grant program. If this is passed we could see a little more funding in future seasons.
- Both of our Kubota and our Honda Foreman spray rigs have new 10 ply tires. This will help us to spend less time repairing and struggling with flat tires. We spray in areas that have a significant amount of Russian olive thorns and Tamarisk remnants both of which are very good at puncturing thinner plied tires. After switching to the 10 ply tires on one of our Kubota's last year we have yet to have a single tire puncture
- This year we will be doing much more monitoring of project/grant spray areas. This will be achieved by using photo points where we take a series of photos from the same position over the season. This along with notes accompanying the photo sets will allow us to better report to UDAF as to the success of their grant funding. It was mentioned at the UWCA conference that in the future this type of monitoring may be required in a detailed report as part of the grant requirements. This may include establishing monitoring transects where an inventory of all vegetation and weeds will be recorded in a GPS identified area on a yearly of twice yearly basis.