



WEED BOARD MEETING

**117 South Main Street, Monticello, Utah 84535. Commission Chambers
June 06, 2024 at 7:00 AM**

AGENDA

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Consideration and Approval of Weed Board Minutes from May 9th, 2024

CITIZEN COMMENTS

BUSINESS/ACTION

WEED SUPERVISORS REPORT

2. Consideration and Approval of June Weed Supervisors Report

NEXT MEETING

ADJOURN

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Weed Board
Meeting Minutes
May 9th, 2024

1) Call To Order

Cade Lewis began the meeting of the San Juan County Weed Board at 7:15 am on May 9th, 2024.

2) Roll Call

The following people were present: Dennis Gines, Cade Lewis, Blake Peterson, Erin Pettit 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

It was reported that county road 188 (Dodge) needs sprayed for jointed goat grass.

6) Supervisor Report

Frank reported that 4 persons were hired for this year's spray season. Frank announced we have been awarded \$100,000 for the 2 UDAF grants that were applied for. Frank expressed that with multiple seasonal employees there will be more time for enforcement. Frank reported that with multiple employees he can spend more time documenting the work done under the grants including photos and EDD map points.

7) Business/Action

No business or action to discuss.

8) Next Meeting

July 11th, 2024 (The first Thursday of July is on the 4th this year)

9) Adjourn

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

Weed Department Report
Weed Board Meeting
May 9th, 2024

Item 2.

- San Juan County recently signed a new contract with the Bureau of Land Management. This Contract is yearly with 4 option years specified. The new contract is for \$15,000 per year which is a \$2000 increase over the previous contract. The new Statement of Work for this project requires a more in-depth reporting of the actual area sprayed per treatment day. We previously provided a single GPS point to indicate the general area sprayed. They now want an area measurement per application.

- Spray days on June 1st saw a major increase in attendance in Blanding and Monticello this year. In Blanding we gave away 800 gallons of Glyphosate and nearly 600 gallons of Milestone. In Monticello we gave away 350 gallons of Glyphosate and 300 gallons of Milestone. In addition we also gave out 50 prefilled 2.5 gallon jugs of glyphosate and 50 prefilled 2.5 gallon jugs of Milestone. We also distributed both herbicides in Bluff and La Sal on May 31st, but attendance was actually lower than usual.

- At a recent meeting with the BLM the subject of the weed infestation at Sand Island campground and trail was discussed. I am requesting permission to treat large patches of Russian knapweed along the trail that leads to the petroglyphs at the far Eastern end of the facility. Previous rangers at Sand Island have limited herbicide treatment to backpack sprayers. This would be intangible and require an army of applicators with backpack sprayers. This trail is being made ADA accessible later this season and I would like to try to get some of this treatment done before they bring in crews for the ADA improvements.

- I have sent out 20 letters explain a land owners general responsibility to control weeds ubder the UTAH weed act. I will now begin sending control letters to those with active weed issues. There are several properties along county road 332 that have Bindweed and Russian Knapweed infestations. We will attempt to spray a buffer perimeter along the edges of these fields in attempt to cut down on the spread of weeds to adjoining properties.