



BROWN COUNTY WEED & PEST BOARD MINUTES
Tuesday, November 21, 2023
25 Market St. Suite 2, Aberdeen, SD 57401
Brown County Courthouse basement conference room.
605-626-7145 ~ 605-216-1133

Present: Duane Jark, Dennis Feickert, Drew Dennert, Tyler Bierman
Absent: Troy Knecht

Duane Jark called the meeting to order.

Drew Dennert motioned to approve the agenda, seconded by Tyler Bierman, motion carried.

Dennis Feickert motioned to approve the October minutes, seconded by Tyler Bierman, motion carried.

Drew Dennert motioned to approve the bills, seconded by Dennis Feickert, motion carried.

Old Business:

none

New Business:

Weed & Pest Pricing for 2024

Chris Hemen gave an update on what he found out about pricing for private spraying by other counties. Most of them do not offer private spraying. Some only do townships and some only offer mosquito control. A few different options were discussed as far as pricing to keep up with the cost of labor and equipment. Hemen stated that he feels we should continue to offer our services to the public as there doesn't seem to be options available in the private sector for spraying areas between 5-50 acres. Hemen will put together a few options for the December meeting.

Weed & Pest Department Monthly Update

The shop is all closed up for the year. Chris Hemen is wrapping things up by submitting grant applications and reports to the state. He completed the competitive grant and contractual grant for FY 2025, along with requesting reimbursement for the 2023 Dept of Health grant in the amount of \$15,000.

Hemen presented a quote for a new data logger system as our current system is getting outdated and the hardware will need to be replaced soon.

Other Matters

None

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, December 19th, at 11:30AM at Maverick's Steak & Cocktails (720 Lamont St in Aberdeen).

Duane Jark motioned to adjourn, seconded by Dennis Feickert, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "CHemen".

Chris Hemen
Brown County Weed & Pest Supervisor