

Stillwater Weed Management District
Regular Meeting
March 18, 2015

Minutes Approved

Present: Harold Riensche
Al Nordahl
Carl Thompson
Bob Kirch
Eric Lowell
Will Patterson
Jerry Dell

Meeting called to order at 1:30 pm. Will took notes for this meeting.

Minutes from Previous Meeting (11-12-14) were reviewed. The minutes were approved; a motion was made by Bob, seconded by Al. Motion carried by the board.

Budget

- The board reviewed the budget, discussing line item 113. With the \$7500 MDA grant Balance of this item. Additionally the board discussed the capital out lay account, the board wants will to check with finance dept to verify the balance.
- Line Item 340, why so high, Jerry advised that there was a mix up in the utility bill and will be straightened out.
- **Annual Budget Review for 2015-2016**, When will the budget packets be ready?

Road Side Bids

- The County received three bids for areas 3 and 4. The board discussed the bids, a motion was made by Al to award area 3 to Bob Montgomery and area 4 to Range Rider. Carl Second motion, board carried motion.
- Board discussed areas 1 and 2, it was decided to re-advertise areas 1 and 2. Board asked that Will get in touch with the third bidder for areas 3 and 4 and advise him of the re-advertisement.

Chemical Bids

- Chemical bids have been sent out and are due back April 3, 2015

Grant Updates

- Will reported that he attended the Trust Fund Hearings in Helena. He thought that things went better than expected due to his short time on the job and that he had a lot of support from the cooperators in the booth grants. He also reported that he had heard that booth grants did receive some funding but was not sure of the amount.

Spring Meetings/ Workshops

- Will advised the Board of the up coming meetings and workshops that he would like to attend or should attend
- MWCA Coordinators Spring Meeting - Will advised that there were two locations that he could attend, he preferred the Miles City over the Butte Meeting due to Agenda.

- Northwest Association Spring Workshop - Will advised the board that he is the Vice Pres of the NW Board and that he had put the meeting together and should attend.
- All made a motion for Will to attend the meeting and Bob seconded, the motion carried

Conservation Days

- The Weed District was asked by the Conservation district to help teach a segment at the education days. The actual dates and location were not yet determined.

MDA Special County Grant

- Will advised the board that the budget for the grant was to help pay the wages for an assistant. Since that position has been open the funds have not been used. Eric made a motion to advertise for a temp sprayer at the wage or 11 to 13 not over 40 hr a week. Al seconded. Motion was carried by the Board.

Coordinator Report

- Will reported that he is setting in good and getting things figured out
- Attended the MDT pre-season meeting in Billings
- Meet with FWP and went over the fishing access sites, making a few corrections to the contract and will get back with to sign
- Attended Beartooth Weed Mgt Area meeting
- DNRC Contract for the Rossetters and Kellers and the SETAB state lands area
- Working with Road and Bridge Dept learning the county pits and roads
- Getting equipment and supplies moved around in anticipation of construction

Elections

- Chairman - Eric Motion for Al to be Chair. Bob Second. Board voted 4 to 1 Motion Carried
- Vice Chairman - Al Motion for Bob to be Vice Chair, Carl second Motion, 4 to 1 Motion Carried
- Secretary - Al Motion for Carl to be Sec. Eric Second. 4 to 1 Motion Carried

Next meeting will be April 13 at 4:30 pm.

Meeting adjourned at 3:20 pm.