

**Broadwater County Townsend Mosquito Board Meeting**  
**Tuesday, July 18, 2023 at 4:00 p.m.**

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**Board Members Present:**

**Chair Debi Randolph (absent), Vice Chair Darrel Folkvord Commissioner, Lindsey Richtmyer, Board Member Stacy Sommer**

**Broadwater County (BC) Staff Present:**

**Jessica Bushnell, Noxious Weed & Mosquito Coordinator**

**Admin/Assistant:**

**Melinda Banks**

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The meeting was called to order at 4:09 pm. There was no public comment and role was taken.

The June 20, 2023 minutes were approved with corrections

Jessica transferred \$10k from the county account to the CIP (Capital Improvement Plan) account.

Jessica purchased a drum of Zenevex for our fogger. After this drum, the Mosquito Department will go back to a 4/4 product. Trapping has been every Monday and taking the mosquitos to Carroll College for testing. There have been no positive tests results for West Nile thus far. With the higher wind, the Mosquito Department cannot fog like they would like.

The community has requested that this department spray before some events that are coming up. Jessica stated the department will try to fog before Slice of Summer and before the Rodeo at the fairgrounds. Stacy suggested the department fog before the Shakespeare in the Park event.

Jessica explained the process if West Nile is detected in our county including notification procedures.

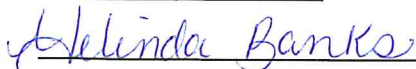
Jessica created a mosquito email for the county to keep conversations separate from weed topic conversations. This email is [mosquito@co.broadwater.mt.us](mailto:mosquito@co.broadwater.mt.us). This will also serve as a way to notify residents in case that reminders need to be sent out or of fogging route schedules.

Residents that are out of the district can go through the process of changing the district lines, but it would have to be citizen driven. The HOA (Home Owner's Association) and /or Subdivisions can also hire independent contractors to help with mosquito control.

Jessica will have her Noxious Weed Trailer at the Fair this year and her and the board discussed on how to get the public more interested in the Mosquito Board/Department. It was also commented that a flyer with Procedures on how to become part of the Mosquito District. Commission Richtmyer moved to budget \$100 for Mosquito Fair Swag. Stacy Sommer seconded and carried.

Next meeting was set for August 15<sup>th</sup> at 4 pm. Meeting Adjourned at 4:33pm

Respectfully Submitted:



Melinda Banks, Assistant

Approved:



Darrel Folkvord, Vice Chair

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