Broadwater County Weed Board

Meeting Minutes Wednesday October 10th, 2022 @ 7:00 pm Flynn Building

1. Call to order

- A meeting of Broadwater County Weed was held at the Flynn
 Building at 415 Broadway on October 12, 2022. The meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m.
- 2. Attendees: Chair-Todd Kitto, Nathan Kosto, Gord Pearse, and Peter Reiss. Weston Nunn was absent. Also, in attendance was Jessica Bushnell Weed Coordinator

3. Public Comment

No Public Comment

4. Approval of Minutes

a. Peter Reiss motioned to approve the August 10, 2022 minutes. Motion seconded by Nathan Kosto, all members voted in favor and motion carried.

5. Budget

The purchase of the 2023 Can-Am 6x6 came from the CIP.

6. On Going Business

a. Subdivision Management Plans

Able Minor Subdivision

The board had discussion about Able Minor Subdivision. Gord Pearse made a motion to accept as said with the exception of an herbicide to keep the existing grass in place, along with a site inspection in the spring and the fall. Motion was seconded by Peter Reiss, all members voted in favor and motion carried

b. Grants and MOU's

Jessica executed an agreement with the Forest Service for the amount of \$65,322.86 for the Deep Creek Fire Treatments. Some of the work will begin this fall and the rest next spring. The WHIP Grant work is happening now. The Trust Fund is expected to close this fall. Jessica will be moving to a new grant software, so she will be attending training pertaining to the software.

c. Spray Update

Nothing to report for County. County Roads are finished and Bob is back spraying Highways. The department might be doing some special projects for the county outside our Noxious board duties.

d. Vehicle and Equipment

Jessica is has purchased a Can-AM 6x6 from a dealer in Great Falls as the previous purchase. She wants to retire the Polaris.

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e. Commission Update

No major update.

7. New Business

a. Purchase of a 2nd Can-Am

The dealership in Great Falls has a 2nd Can-Am on hand to purchase. The board had a discussion about the purchase, and a motion was made by Nathan Kosto to purchase a 2nd Can-Am 6x6 at the same price (16,672.13) as the previous purchased machine. Motion was seconded by Gord Pearse and all members voted in favor the motion carried.

b. County Weed Plan

December is the due for the County Weed Plan, and the board had already discussed, rewritten and approved the plan at the beginning of the year. Jessica will submit what was approved to the Department of Ag and it will be considered a two-year document. There was some discussion and suggestions on some topics to update and revise.

8. Weed Board Round Table

The board discussed meeting times with meeting November -March having a 6:00 pm start time and meetings April – October having a 7:00 pm start time. There was also discussion on the ordering of road signs for use during spraying season.

9. Next Meeting

The next Weed Board meeting will be November 09, 2022 at 6:00p.m.

10. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:51 p.m.

Minutes Approved: ______ Kotto

Chairman: Todd Kitto

Witness/Attest: Misty Masolo

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