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Valley County Weed Board Tuesday, October 11, 2023 Valley County Courthouse

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Jim Bowman, Dorothy Hlad-Larsen, Steve Klessens, Nate Miller, and exofficio member Shelley Mills, MSU Extension Agent Valley County

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Gilbert Mogan

OTHERS PRESENT: Levi Capdeville, Weed and Mosquito Coordinator; and Leanne Fontaine, secretary. John Falhgren, commissioner was not in attendance.

The meeting was called to order at 5:09 p.m. by Nate Miller, chairman.

Public comment - none

Motion by Steve to approve the agenda with the addition of tree killer under new business. Second by Jim. Motion passed.

Minutes of the July 18, 2023 meeting were approved as read.

The following claims were approved by board member signatures.

WEED 2140-32-431100 August 2023				
Ag Partners LLC	Esplanade EZ	\$	1,000.00	
C&B Operations	fire extinguisher bracket	\$	92.70	
Carquest	brake clean (x12)	\$	63.84	
Dale Plumbing & Heating	side by side sprayer parts	\$	11.40	
Ezzie's Wholesale Inc	fire extinguisher recharge	\$	140.25	
Ezzie's Wholesale Inc	fuel	\$	1,085.39	
Hi-Line Ford	oil change supplies	\$	177.63	
Markle's	gloves, hose, painting & shop supplies	\$	506.31	
MDU	7/6/23 - 8/4/23 usage 0	\$	11.27	
Nemont	internet at shop	\$	36.00	
Nutrien Ag Solutions	blue marker dye (3)	\$	150.00	
Thompson & Sons	grade 8 hardware	\$	113.98	
WEED 4074-337-431100 Capital Improvement Fund - August 2023				
Track N Wheel	2024 Honda TRX420FML	\$	7,000.00	

WEED 2140-32-431100 September 2023					
C&B Operations	weed air grinder	\$	133.00		
Carquest	fitting, hose, rags, detailing supplies	\$	59.32		
City of Glasgow	water & sewer usage 5200	\$	61.15		
City of Glasgow	water & sewer usage 3900	\$	58.79		
Dale Plumbing	hose caps (2)	\$	5.30		
Ezzie's Wholesale	safety glasses	\$	80.91		
Ezzie's Wholesale	fuel	\$	1,382.07		
Glasgow Auto Safety Center	tire sensors installed	\$	120.00		
Markle's	anti-freeze (10g), gloves, surge protector, etc	\$	280.71		
MDU	8/5/23 - 9/5/23 usage 0	\$	12.02		
Nemont	internet at shop	\$	36.00		
Northwestern Energy	6/23/23 - 08/21/23	\$	114.97		
Nutrien Ag Solutions	MEC Amine	\$	90.00		
Petty Cash	Weed License	\$	20.60		
Sugg Primary Care	Levi - CDL physical	\$	87.50		
US Postal	postage	\$	2.52		
Valley Builders	wood & screws	\$	64.14		
Vista Print	business cards	\$	14.49		
Warne Chemical	Trubo 400 spray wand (2)	\$	284.51		

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WEED 2140-32-431100 October 2023				
City of Glasgow	8/18/23-9/20/23 usage 3900	\$	58.79	
Ezzie's Wholesale	fuel (Rd Dept will reimburse)	\$	151.91	
Hi-Line Ford Inc	Fog Lamp Assembly	\$	63.27	
Markle's	tie wire(x3), Antifreeze(20), febreeze, mouse traps	\$	137.20	
MDU	9/6/23 - 10/4/23 usage 0	\$	10.89	
Nemont	internet at shop	\$	36.00	
Northwestern Energy	8/21/23 - 09/22/23	\$	49.75	
T&R Trucking	3rd qtr garbage service	\$	90.00	
VISA	MWCA board meeting White Sulfur Springs (rm & fuel)	\$	240.21	
VISA	YOGO Inn - Lewistown	\$	127.89	

REPORTS:

Levi reported:

- Shop cleaning, painting, vehicle maintenance, safety inspections and spraying are being performed.
- Spraying of all private and government jobs are complete and invoices sent.
- Aiden Hoerster and Montaya Idler have resigned and left for college.
- Mark Dale and Dalton Kaasa are currently being paid by the Road Department as they are following the mowers.
- Pesticide container recycling returned in August to grind used containers.
- Honda #1 had an engine malfunction beyond repair and a 2023 420 Honda Rancher was purchased in August.
- All sprayers have been winterized but Honda #1 which is available for either department if needed yet this fall.
- Levi has been attending Montana Weed Control Association meetings in Lewistown and White Sulfur serving as a board member representative for Eastern Montana.

Budget vs. Actual expenses were reviewed. **Motion by Jim to approve report. Seconded by Steve. Motion passes.**

OLD BUSINESS: none

Discussion of bringing building outlets up to code along with blueprints of the wiring. Motion by Steve to the estimated cost of \$1,200. Seconded by Jim. Motion passed unanimously.

Next chemical inventory will be done in the spring.

Chaz Zimdars is still on to replace the roof this fall.

Canada Thistle control. Shelley stated it was best to hit in the fall if still green.

NEW BUSINESS:

Discussion on condition of 825i John Deere Gator. Maybe replace it after next season.

A Ez-Ject Herbicide System to kill trees was discussed. The estimated cost is \$500 for a unit.

Next meeting to be held November 14, 2023, at 5:00 p.m.

Motion by Steve to adjourn the meeting. Second by Dorothy. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned 5:55 p.m.

Nate Miller, chairman

Levi Capdeville, Coordinator

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