The Buffalo County Weed District Committee met on Friday, August 28, 2015 at 8:00 A.M. Commissioner Klein called the meeting to order and led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance. The following Board Committee members responded to roll call: Joseph Brayton, Dennis Reiter and Ivan Klein. A copy of the acknowledgment and receipt of notice and agenda by the Weed District Committee is attached to these minutes. Deputy County Clerk Leora Hofmann took the proceedings for the August 28, 2015 session while the convened meeting was open to the public.

Four Candidates for the Weed Superintendent position were scheduled to be interviewed and were each asked the same standard set of questions at the times indicated. Jess Lammers was the first candidate to interview for the position at 8:00 A.M.

Moved by Reiter and seconded by Brayton to enter into Executive Session at 9:07 A.M. to ask questions related to potential contract negotiations. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted “Aye”: Reiter, Brayton and Klein. None voted “Nay”. Motion declared carried.

Moved by Brayton and seconded by Reiter to move out of Executive Session at 9:18 A.M. and resume the open meeting. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted “Aye”: Brayton, Reiter and Klein. None voted “Nay”. Motion declared carried.

The interview with Lammers concluded at 9:18 A.M. (Break in the meeting.) The second candidate was not able to make it to the interview today and the Committee rescheduled the candidate for September 1, 2015 at 9:30 A.M.

The Committee reconvened at 10:00 A.M. and Cortney Schaefer appeared before the Committee. She had been asked the same standard questions for the Weed Superintendent position on August 4, 2015. The Committee asked Ms. Schaefer some additional questions before entering into Executive Session.

Moved by Klein and seconded by Reiter to enter into Executive Session at 10:05 A.M to ask questions related to potential contract negotiations with Ms. Schaefer. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted “Aye”: Klein, Reiter and Brayton. None voted “Nay”. Motion declared carried.

Moved by Brayton and seconded by Reiter to move out of Executive Session at 10:10 A.M. and resume the open meeting. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted “Aye”: Brayton, Reiter and Klein. None voted “Nay”. Motion declared carried.

The interview with Schaefer concluded at 10:10 A.M. (Break in meeting) The Committee reconvened at 10:55 A.M. to interview Candidates for the Weed Secretary. Four Candidates for the Weed Secretary position were each asked the same standard set of questions at the times indicated. Cheri Hilton was the first candidate to interview for the Secretary position.

Moved by Klein and seconded by Reiter to enter into Executive Session at 11:22 A.M. to ask questions related to potential contract negotiations with Ms. Hilton. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted “Aye”: Klein, Reiter and Brayton. None voted “Nay”. Motion declared carried.

Moved by Reiter and seconded by Brayton to move out of Executive Session at 11:28 A.M. and resume the open meeting. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted “Aye”: Reiter, Brayton and Klein. None voted “Nay”. Motion declared carried. The interview with Ms. Hilton concluded and the Committee recessed for lunch.

The Committee reconvened at 12:55 P.M.

Tracie Willey was the second candidate to interview for the Secretary position.

Moved by Brayton and seconded by Reiter to enter into Executive Session at 1:32 P.M. to ask questions related to potential contract negotiations with Ms. Willey. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted “Aye”: Brayton, Reiter and Klein. None voted “Nay”. Motion declared carried.

Moved by Reiter and seconded by Brayton to move out of Executive Session at 1:43 P.M. and resume the open meeting. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted “Aye”: Reiter, Brayton and Klein. None voted “Nay”. Motion declared carried.

The interview with Ms. Willey concluded at 1:43 P.M. (Break in meeting) The Committee reconvened at 1:55 P.M.

Wendy Braden was the third candidate to interview for the Secretary position.

Moved by Brayton and seconded by Reiter to enter into Executive Session at 2:25 P.M. to ask questions related to potential contract negotiations with Ms. Braden. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted “Aye”: Brayton, Reiter and Klein. None voted “Nay”. Motion declared carried.

Moved by Reiter and seconded by Brayton to move out of Executive Session at 2:38 P.M. and resume the open meeting. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted “Aye”: Reiter, Brayton and Klein. None voted “Nay”. Motion declared carried.
The interview with Ms. Braden concluded at 2:39 P.M. (Break in meeting)

The Committee reconvened at 2:50 P.M.

Cindi Barto was the fourth candidate to interview for the Secretary position.

Moved by Reiter and seconded by Brayton to enter into Executive Session at 3:20 P.M. to ask questions related to potential contract negotiations with Ms. Barto. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted “Aye”: Reiter, Brayton and Klein. None voted “Nay”. Motion declared carried.

Moved by Brayton and seconded by Reiter to move out of Executive Session at 3:33 P.M. and resume the open meeting. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted “Aye”: Brayton, Reiter and Klein. None voted “Nay”. Motion declared carried. The interview with Ms. Barto concluded.

Moved by Reiter and seconded by Brayton to enter into Executive Session at 3:34 P.M. to discuss the candidates and the interview process. Closed session is necessary to protect the public interest. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted “Aye”: Reiter, Brayton and Klein. None voted “Nay”. Motion declared carried.

Moved by Brayton and seconded by Reiter to move out of Executive Session at 4:42 P.M. and resume the open meeting. Upon roll call vote, the following Board members voted “Aye”: Brayton, Reiter and Klein. None voted “Nay”. Motion declared carried.

Commissioner Klein recessed the Board of Commissioners Weed District Committee at 4:43 P.M. until Tuesday, September 1, 2015 at 8:00 A.M.