

**MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 17, 2013
MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE
SACRAMENTO/YOLO MOSQUITO & VECTOR CONTROL DISTRICT**

PLACE: 8631 Bond Road, Elk Grove, CA 95624
TIME: 10:00 a.m.

TRUSTEES PRESENT:

Lyndon Hawkins	President	Elk Grove
Christopher Barker	Secretary	Davis
Frederick Goethel		Galt
Bruce Eldridge		Yolo County
Jayna Karpinski-Costa		Citrus Heights
John Lewallen		Sacramento County
Raul DeAnda		West Sacramento
Robert McGarvey		Rancho Cordova
Rosemarie Moore		Isleton
Gregory Lanzaro		Winters
Craig Burnett		Folsom

TRUSTEES ABSENT:

David Tamayo	Vice President	City of Sacramento
Neal Peart		Woodland

LEGAL COUNSEL:

Richard Shanahan

STAFF PRESENT:

David Brown	Manager
Gary Goodman	Assistant Manager
Janna McLeod	Administrative Manager
Paula Macedo	Lab Director
Marcia Reed	Program Coordinator
Demetri Dokos	Fisheries Supervisor
Marty Scholl	Ecological Mgmt Supervisor
Luz Maria Rodriguez	Public Information Officer

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 10:05 am by President Hawkins.

Roll Call

Trustees David Tamayo and Neal Peart are absent; however, a quorum is present. Trustee Goethel left the meeting early at approximately 11:38 a.m.

Item Not on Agenda

At this time, President Hawkins recognized District Legal Counsel Richard Shanahan. Mr. Shanahan requested the Board consider adding an item to the Agenda. Mr. Shanahan recently received documents naming the District as a defendant in a lawsuit concerning the use of Redevelopment monies for a City of Sacramento Redevelopment Successor Agency project planned on K Street in downtown Sacramento. Mr. Shanahan received the documents on Friday, September 13th with a response required within 30 days of receipt of the documents.

On a motion by Trustee Karpinski-Costa, seconded by Trustee McGarvey the Board voted to add the item to the Agenda. The motion passed by the following vote: Ayes: 11, Noes: 0, absent: 2.

Removal of Closed Session Item

President Hawkins notified the Board that the Ad-Hoc Committee was not yet ready to meet with the Board in Closed Session; therefore, item number five was removed from the Agenda.

Pledge of Allegiance

All phones and electronic devices are requested to be silenced during the meeting.

1. ITEMS FOR APPROVAL BY GENERAL CONSENT

On a motion by Trustee Burnett, seconded by Trustee Barker, the Board voted to approve General Consent items a. through c. The motion passed by the following vote: Ayes: 11, Noes: 0, absent: 2.

- a. Minutes of the August 27, 2013 Board of Trustees meeting;
- b. Expenditures for August 2013;
- c. District Investment Report for period ending June 30, 2013.

2. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

There were none.

3. REPORTS TO THE BOARD

- a. **Presentation by Mr. Harry McQuillen, Preserve Manager, Cosumnes River Preserve**

Mr. McQuillen gave a presentation on current and future management activities on the Cosumnes River Preserve. Mr. McQuillen showed maps and photos of the Preserve and provided information on the organizational and funding structure of the Preserve. He discussed rice cultivation and the role rice plays in management activities on the Preserve. He also discussed how his department is addressing mosquito abatement related issues on the wetland sites and how they intend to work with the District on our Integrated Pest Management program efforts. He identified organic rice as a tool on the refuge and indicated the desire to grow organic so they could reduce the pesticide load. However, Mr. McQuillen also discussed the significant use of pesticides to control weeds on the refuge. A brief question and answer period followed Mr. McQuillen's presentation. The Board thanked Mr. McQuillen for attending and presenting at the meeting.

b. **Managers Report:**

Manager Brown submitted a written report and provided an oral report.

Manager Brown informed the Board that the District has received reports of high numbers of Yellow Jackets in an area of Wilton. In the past, this area has had a large problem with Yellow Jackets. Lab and Field staff is investigating and setting traps throughout the area and will treat accordingly.

Manager Brown provided the Board with a listing of upcoming association meetings that staff are planning to attend and asked any Trustees wishing to attend to notify administrative staff so that arrangements can be made.

c. Written Reports from District Departments: Written reports were provided in the Board packets from each department. The department supervisors each gave an oral presentation and were available to answer any questions.

Lab/Surveillance: Lab Director, Paula Macedo discussed surveillance programs and resistance testing activities. Mosquito trap collections show abundance numbers of culex pipiens to be average while culex tarsalis numbers are high. Anopheles freeborni numbers are much higher than average and since they are avid biters service requests have increased. Of the 5,135 mosquito pools tested this year 554 pools have been identified as positive for WNV. So far this year we have identified 230 positive dead birds with no additional positives coming from Wild Bird surveillance in August. Resistance testing activities are ongoing with lab personnel collecting different mosquito populations from several different locations throughout the District in order to test as many active ingredients as possible.

Ecological Management: Ecological Management Supervisor, Marty Scholl, reported on his department projects. Mr. Scholl reported on the status of Stormwater/Drainage projects with the City of Elk Grove, Hansen Ranch/NEMDC, Nelson Ranch and Yolo County. He updated the status of Regulatory, Environmental and Planning programs for the US Army Corps of Engineers, California Regional Water Quality Control Board Central Valley Region, Landfill Tree Mitigation, and the MVCAC IVM Committee. Mr. Scholl also reported on the Wetland program, Pool program and Agriculture program.

Fisheries: Fisheries Supervisor, Demetri Dokos, reported on the fisheries projects and general maintenance. Regular and seasonal maintenance activities continue and include the draining and cleaning of five to six ponds at our Bond Road facility. Fall Flooding is beginning and mosquitofish will be stocked in flooded areas that are appropriate for fish planting.

Control Operations: Program Coordinator, Marcia Reed reported for the Field Supervisors. Rice season is beginning to come to a close as wild rice fields are being harvested and white and organic rice fields are starting to be drained. Control operations staff continues to conduct larval source checks and treatments. Farm Air continues to perform aerial larvicide treatments during the day and adulticide treatments in the evening. Catch Basin crews have finished the evaluation of Cocobear and are on day 40 of the Mosquiron evaluation.

Public Information/Outreach: Public Information Officer, Luz Maria Rodriguez reviewed her department activities promoting the District including special events, school and community

presentations and social media. Ms. Rodriguez indicated the ad campaign ends in September, while our Billboards will remain up through October. She reviewed recent events the District attended including Celebrate Natomas and several Health and Wellness Fairs put on for employees by various State agencies.

4. BOARD/STAFF GENERAL DISCUSSION

4(a). Item Added- Review and Consideration of Response to K Street Redevelopment Lawsuit.

Mr. Shanahan explained the lawsuit at hand. The Redevelopment Successor Agency of the City of Sacramento has a preexisting redevelopment disposition agreement with developers for a 3.6 million dollar loan for the K Street project. As part of the dissolution of Redevelopment Agencies process an Oversight Board and the State Department of Finance have the ability to allow or disallow expenditures of the Redevelopment Successor Agencies. The local Oversight Board approved the expenditure, but, the Department of Finance disallowed it. The City of Sacramento Successor Agency has filed a lawsuit against the State Department of Finance to ask the court to order the Department of Finance to allow the loan to go forward.

According to a provision in the petition for writ of mandate, the District, as one of several taxing agencies, has been named in an abundance of caution as a real party in interest; such that the District has an opportunity to participate as a party in this action, if it so desires. The petitioner does not allege the District has violated or is threatening to violate any duties under the dissolution law or otherwise. If the District chooses not to file an appearance in this action in opposition to the relief requested by the petitioners, the petitioners will seek no relief or remedy against the District including cost of suit.

Mr. Shanahan indicated that he spoke to the City attorney and they expressed to him that the District was named out of caution as the petitioner does not want leaving out an agency with potential interests to be a reason their request is not granted. Mr. Shanahan recommended that the Board not get involved in the suit. Instead he recommends a letter be sent indicating the District is not interested in an appearance in this action. A brief question and answer period followed. Trustee Eldridge asked if a motion was needed and Mr. Shanahan said he only needs The Board's concurrence with his recommendation. The Board concurred.

4(b).General Discussion

President Hawkins updated the Board on the Ad Hoc Committee's progress and said they should be ready to have the Closed Session next month.

Trustee Karpinski-Costa asked if staff/Trustees would be carpooling to the Fall MVCAC meeting. A brief discussion of the meeting agenda and travel arrangements took place.

5. CLOSED SESSION

(a) Public Employee Negotiations with New Manager.

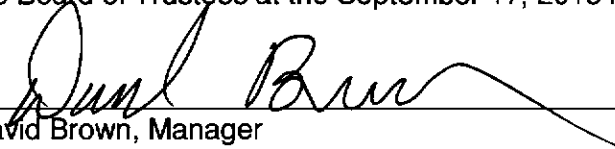
This Item was removed from the Agenda.

6. ADJOURNMENT

President Hawkins adjourned the meeting at 11:50 a.m.

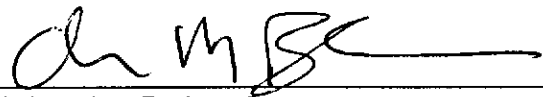
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I certify that the above minutes substantially reflect the general business and actions taken by the Board of Trustees at the September 17, 2013 meeting.



David Brown, Manager

Approved as written and/or corrected by the Board of Trustees at the October 15, 2013 meeting.



Christopher Barker, Secretary