MINUTES OF THE APRIL 17, 2019
SPECIAL 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:

Raymond LaTorre  President  Sacramento
Jayna Karpinski-Costa  Vice President  Citrus Heights
Christopher Barker  
Raul DeAnda  
Sean Denny  
Bruce Eldridge  
Frederick Goethel  
Lyndon Hawkins  
Gar House  
Susan Maggy  
Robert McGarvey  

TRUSTEES ABSENT:

Craig Burnett  Secretary  Folsom
Rosemarie Moore  

LEGAL COUNSEL:

Joshua Horowitz

STAFF PRESENT:

Gary Goodman  Manager
Samer Elkashef  Assistant Manager
Marty Scholl  Ecological Management Supervisor
Steven Ramos  Program Coordinator
Luz Maria Robles  Public Information Officer
Tony Hedley  Fisheries Supervisor

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by President Raymond LaTorre.

Roll Call
Trustee Christopher Barker arrived to the meeting at 10:02am with a quorum present.

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 Goethel and seconded by Trustee Denny the Board voted to approve General Consent Items A and B. The motion passed by the following vote: Ayes: 11, Noes: 0, Absent: 2. On a motion by Trustee Maggy seconded by Trustee Denny the Board voted to approve General Consent Item C as a separate vote. The motion passed by the following vote: Ayes: 10, Noes: 0, Absent: 2 and with Trustee Goethel Abstaining from the vote. Once the vote was complete General Manager Gary Goodman presented Trustee Goethel with a plaque commemorating his years of service.

a. Minutes of the March 19, 2019 Board of Trustees Meeting;
b. Expenditures for March 2019;
c. Board Consideration of Resolution Honoring Fred Goethel for His Years of Service.

2. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT
This item is reserved for members of the public who wish to speak on items not on the agenda.

There were none.

3. REPORTS TO THE BOARD

a. Manager’s Report:

Mosquito awareness week commenced April 21st and the District will be very active promoting the event with the school Fight the Bite contest winner announcements and repellent distribution to the local homeless shelters. Mosquito awareness week coincides with temperatures in the 80s making it a very busy week for the District as a whole. The MVCAC Legislative Day was held on April 3rd with Gary Goodman, Samer Elkashef and Trustee Sean Denny in attendance. Visits were made to the local elected officials with messaging focusing on AB 320 that would put the CalSurv Gateway into legislative statute. Other topics discussed were the use of drones for mosquito control as well as ongoing issues with invasive mosquitoes. In April, the District hosted attendees from the International Visitor Leadership Program which was coordinated by the US State Department. The attendees were all public health workers from over 20 different countries. District staff did an excellent job giving various presentations on the activities performed by the District and answering questions. AMCA Washington Day will be May 13th to the 10th with Gary Goodman and Trustee Denny in attendance. This year the topics of concern are NPDES, pesticide labeling concerns, Endangered Species Act concerns, and federal funding for public health.

b. Reports from MVCAC Legislative Day:
Trustee Sean Denny attended and noted the importance of MVCAC’s continued presence at the legislature as a reminder of the importance of the work vector control districts perform to protect public health.

c. Reports from District Departments: Written reports were provided in the Board packet from each department. Department supervisors gave an oral presentation and were available to answer any questions.
Lab/Surveillance: Laboratory Director, Marcia Reed submitted a written report with the Board packet. Manager Goodman brought up that overnight mosquito trapping has started and that the dead bird hotline opened as of April 15th. To date, the District has picked up 3 dead birds from the City of Davis.

Ecological Management: Ecological Management Supervisor, Marty Scholl discussed department activities including Stormwater/Drainages, the Wetland Program, the Pool Program, UAS Program and the Planning Program. The Department has been busy reviewing Mosquito Management Plans from the City of Folsom and the White Rock Springs Ranch Project. Marty will be presenting vector control use of UAVs on April 24th at the Small Unmanned Systems Business Expo.

Biological Control: Fisheries Supervisor, Tony Hedley reported on department activity including servicing equipment, repairing nets, and fish usage. Up to 148 lbs has been used for spring sources so far this season. Technicians have started to move fish from netted ponds to open ponds. The Fisheries Department has completed two large fish plants to date, both in Madison.

Larval and Adult Control: Program Coordinator, Steve Ramos noted that Service Requests have increased with the rise in temperatures. The number of larval treatments has increased due to the breeding sources that have been left behind from the late spring rains that the District has experienced. The late rains have also left the rice acreage for the season up in the air as growers haven’t had the opportunity to prepare their fields.

Public Outreach: Public Information Officer, Luz Robles discussed the activities that are being planned for Mosquito Awareness Week. There will be an article in the Sacramento Bee and several TV and radic stories covering the event. The winners of the annual Fight the Bite contest will be announced and repellent will be handed out to the homeless community at Loaves and Fishes. Manager Goodman and Assistant Manager Elkashef will be giving presentations to the Board of Supervisors and the City Councils within the next couple of months.

4. BOARD REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION FOR RENEWAL OF FARM AIR CONTRACT FOR AERIAL LARVICIDING SERVICES

Manager Goodman introduced this item. Farm Air has been very responsive to the District’s needs performing aerial larviciding. Their price is going up from $1175 per hour to $1250; however this price is still very reasonable. The new contract is for a four year term. On a motion by Trustee Goethel, seconded by Trustee Denny, the Board voted to approve the new Farm Air contract. The motion passed with a vote of Ayes: 10, Noes: 0, Absent: 2.

5. BOARD REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION FOR RENEWAL OF LEADING EDGE CONTRACT FOR AERIAL LARVICIDING SERVICES BY UAS

Last season the District worked with Leading Edge on drone applications. Ecological Management Supervisor Scholl and his staff evaluated these applications and would like to expand the use of drones at the District. Drone applications show promise in wetlands, dairies, pastures and other hard to access locations. The District is looking to enter a three year agreement with Leading Edge. On a motion by Trustee Goethel, seconded by Trustee Denny, the Board voted to approve the new Leading Edge contract. The motion passed with a vote of Ayes: 10, Noes: 0, Absent: 2.
6. BOARD REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION FOR PURCHASE OF 1000 GALLONS OF Deltagard FROM ADAPCO

During the 2018 season the District performed ground based trials using Deltagard, a ULV adulticide containing 2% deltamethrin, and found that it had much higher efficacy than the currently used adulticides. Based on this Program Coordinator Steve Ramos and Assistant Manager Samer Elkashef worked out some projections on what the District would need for use in the 2019 season. Manager Goodman noted that there was a misprint on the item. The ADAPCO program is a two year program, not a three year one. On a motion by Trustee Goethel, seconded by Trustee Denny, the Board voted to approve the ADAPCO contract for two years. The motion passed with a vote of Ayes: 10, Noes: 0, Absent: 2.

4. CLOSED SESSION- PROVIDE INSTRUCTION TO DESIGNATED LABOR REPRESENTATIVES (GOV. CODE S. 54957.6-LABOR NEGOTIATIONS) AGENCY DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVES: [GARY GOODMAN, JANNA MCLEOD, SAMER ELKASHEF, CHRIS VOIGHT] EMPLOYEE ORGANIZATION: [OPERATING ENGINEERS LOCAL UNION #3]

Before the meeting went into Closed Session, Union Representative Felix Huerta thanked the District for exploring Interest Based Bargaining as a new means of negotiation. President LaTorre adjourned the Regular meeting to go into Closed Session at 11:08 am. The Board returned from closed session and re-opened the regular meeting at 11:48 am with nothing to report.

5. BOARD/STAFF GENERAL DISCUSSION

This was Trustee Goethel’s last meeting as a member of the Board.

6. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 11:51 am.

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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 April 17, 2019 meeting.

Gary Goodman, Manager

Approved as written and/or corrected by the Board of Trustees at the May 21, 2019 meeting.

Craig Burnett, Board Secretary