# **MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 18, 2020** 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:

Jayna Karpinski-Costa President

Citrus Heights

Craig Burnett

Vice President

Folsom

Gar House Raul DeAnda Secretary

Winters West Sacramento

Sean Denny

Woodland

Bruce Eldridge Lyndon Hawkins

Yolo County Elk Grove

Gar House Raymond LaTorre Winters Sacramento

Susan Maggy

Sacramento County

Robert McGarvey

Rancho Cordova

Marcia Mooney

Galt

Vacant

Isleton

### TRUSTEES ABSENT:

Christopher Barker

Davis

## LEGAL COUNSEL:

Jennifer Buckman

### STAFF PRESENT:

Gary Goodman

Manager

Janna McLeod Marcia Reed

Administrative Manager Laboratory Director

Steve Ramos

Program Coordinator

Marty Scholl

**Ecological Management Supervisor** 

### **CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by President Jayna Karpinski-Costa.

Trustee Christopher Barker was absent; however, a quorum was present. Trustee Rosemarie Moore resigned last month and an appointment to fill the vacancy has not yet been made by the City of Isleton.

### 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 Denny, the Board voted to approve General Consent Items a. through d. The motion passed by the following vote: Ayes: 11, Noes: 0, Absent: 1.

- a. Minutes of the January 21, 2020 Board of Trustees Meeting;
- b. Expenditures for January 2020;
- c. District Investment Report for Period Ending December 31, 2019;
- d. Board Consideration of Surplus District Property.

# 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:

District staff is taking earned vacation time and completing annual training during this time of year. Staff has submitted the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Annual Report to the State Water Resources Control Board. Staff did an excellent job with their presentations at the MVCAC Annual conference in San Diego. The District gave ten talks at the meeting and moderated two symposiums. The MVCAC Spring Quarterly meeting will be held on March 2nd -4th in conjunction with the Annual Legislative Day in Sacramento. The MVCAC is trying to ensure that we visit all of our state legislators so we may be making visits to other Districts representatives if needed. Our main concern will be focused on securing funding for the CalSurv Gateway again. The last day for bill introduction is February 21st. The MVCAC is not currently sponsoring any legislation. The American Mosquito Control Association's (AMCA) Annual Legislative Days will be May 11th - 13th in Washington DC. Funding for the Centers for Disease Control (specifically within the Tick ACT), United States Fish and Wildlife Service Mosquito Control Practices and NPDES issues will again be the main ask of our federal legislators. Our Vector Control Joint Powers Authority (VCJPA) has their annual workshop on February 27th and 28th. Janna McLeod will be attending on behalf of the District. Please be advised that you will need to submit your Conflict of Interest Form 700 prior to April 2020.

# b. Reports from Trustees Attending the MVCAC Annual Conference:

<u>Trustee Gar House</u> attended his second conference. He attended several presentations on subjects including treated chicken feed for control of Culex mosquitoes, tick-borne diseases, Aedes mosquito surveillance and *Wolbachia* releases, School aged education, and media relations. Trustee House was impressed by District staff presentations including those made by Luz Robles, Samer Elkashef and Deborah Dritz.

<u>Trustee Ray LaTorre</u> reported on his attendance at the conference. Trustee LaTorre discussed the presentation from Greater LA on their Aedes response and surveillance. Their goal at service requests and inspections is to educate the homeowner on draining and removing potential backyard sources. Homeowners who implement the tips and tricks taught to them may eliminate the need for staff to physically return to the residence for a follow up or a future service request allowing field staff to attend to other areas in need.

<u>Trustee Bruce Eldridge</u> attended the conference and reported that he found the talks and presentations informational and really enjoyed the presentation by Vicki Kramer with the California Department of Public Health (CDPH). The Reeve's Award was presented at conference and well deserved by the recipients.

<u>Trustee Susan Maggy</u> reported on her attendance at the conference including presentations she attended on Spas and Aedes mosquitoes, kissing bugs, feral pigs and an update from the AMCA. Trustee Maggy was impressed with our staff who were professional, calm and collected throughout their talks. Trustee Maggy discussed Social Media outreach and the challenges associated with educating the public through a variety of media and reducing homeowner visits in areas where Aedes mosquitoes have been established.

<u>Trustee Lyndon Hawkins</u> attended the conference and discussed Outreach efforts including what Districts are doing with their planning efforts to address and raise awareness of Invasive Aedes. He talked about how to teach residents what they can do around their homes and neighborhoods to increase prevention and education while reducing breeding sources. He also talked about stormwater catching devices, water retention/detention and the types of systems that are better than others at reducing or preventing mosquito breeding within these systems.

<u>Trustee Jayna Karpinski-Costa</u> attended the conference. She discussed the various presentations she attending including the Trustee Business Session, Ivermectin in backyard chicken feed, Kissing Bugs and Feral Pigs in Dublin. She liked and appreciated that many of the presenters provided a "take home message" at the end of their presentations.

**b.** 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.

<u>Lab/Surveillance</u>: Laboratory Director, Marcia Reed discussed department activities including mosquito abundance, Encephalitis virus surveillance (EVS), Tick and Lyme disease surveillance, studies and collaborations. Culex mosquito abundance is down as expected for this time of year. *Anopheles freeborni* numbers are up as the weather starts to warm and they look for their first meals after the winter months. Invasive Aedes have not been detected since November 16<sup>th</sup> with traps being checked weekly. Tick surveillance has begun with 20 locations being monitored for the presence of *Ixodes pacificus* ticks. Results of the Sugar Bait project will be presented at the AMCA conference. Trials for this coming season are in the planning stages with both lab and control personnel participating.

**Ecological Management:** Ecological Management Supervisor, Marty Scholl discussed department activities including Stormwater, Drainages and Planning Program, Unmanned Aerial Systems (UAS) Program and Wetland Program. Staff will be attending a workshop for Waters of the US hosted by the US Army Corps of Engineers. Staff attended a one day UAS workshop hosted by CalTrans and the US Department of Transportation. UC Davis met with staff to request our facility be a part of the Pesticide Regulatory Education Program they are coordinating for the Federal Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). Marty will be presenting to the California Central Valley Wetland Managers Meeting on March 4<sup>th</sup> on "Using Drones for Mosquito Control".

Biological Control: Fisheries Supervisor, Tony Hedley provided a written report.

Larval and Adult Control: Program Coordinator, Steve Ramos discussed department activities including winter projects, maintenance and training. Technicians have been working on winter projects including the set-up of the new library trailer. Vehicle and Equipment inspections and calibrations are being performed for the upcoming season. Service request numbers are normal for this time of year. Catch Basin technicians are updating maps that will show typically wet basins vs. dry basins to help maximize their time in the field. Steve visit Greater LA with Marcia where they got to see how they handle their Aedes surveillance and associated service requests and inspections.

Public Outreach: Public Information Officer, Luz Robles provided a written report.

# 4. BOARD REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION OF \$280,000 TO FUND THE PUBLIC OUTREACH ADVERTISING PLAN FOR THE 2020 MOSQUITO SEASON

Manager Goodman presented the item and was available to answer questions. On a motion by Trustee DeAnda seconded by Trustee LaTorre, the Board voted to approve the 2020 Advertising Plan not to exceed \$280,000. The motion passed by the following vote: Ayes: 11, Noes: 0, Absent: 1.

# 5. BOARD REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION TO PURCHASE REPELLENT FOR THE PUBLIC OUTREACH ADVERTISING PLAN NOT TO EXCEED \$70,000

Manager Goodman presented the item and was available to answer questions. On a motion by Trustee Denny seconded by Trustee Eldridge, the Board voted to approve the purchase if Ben Deet repellent wipes not to exceed \$70,000. The motion passed by the following vote: Ayes: 11, Noes: 0, Absent: 1.

# 6. CLOSED SESSION- PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT (Government Code § 54957) - FIELD TECHNICIAN

At 11:31am President Karpinski-Costa adjourned the Regular Meeting to go into the Closed Session for Item 6. The Board returned to Open Session at 11:56 am with nothing to report from the Closed Session.

# 7. BOARD/STAFF GENERAL DISCUSSION

AMCA Conference is March 16<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup>

Due to AMCA conflicting with the Regular Board Meeting on March 17<sup>th</sup> the District is considering cancelling the meeting.

The MVCAC Quarterly Meeting will be held in Sacramento March 2<sup>nd</sup> through 4<sup>th</sup>, with the Legislative Day taking place on March 4<sup>th</sup> at the Capital.

The first draft of the 2020-2021 Fiscal Year Budget will be brought to the Board in May

The Regular Board Meeting on April 21<sup>st</sup> will be rescheduled to Monday, April 20<sup>th</sup> due to schedule conflicts.

Form 700 is due by April 1st

# 8. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 12:35 pm.

I certify that the above minutes substantially reflect the general business and actions taken by the Board of Trustees at the February 18, 2020 meeting.

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Gary Goodman, Manager

Approved as written and/or	corrected by the Board	of Trustees at the	March 17, 2020 meeting.
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