MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 19, 2021
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 Secretary Winters
Raul DeAnda
Sean Denny Woodland
Bruce Eldridge Yolo County
Lyndon Hawkins Elk Grove
Raymond LaTorre Sacramento
Susan Maggy Sacramento County
Robert McGarvey Rancho Cordova
Marcia Mooney Galt
Christopher Barker Davis
Vacant Isleton

TRUSTEES ABSENT:

None

LEGAL COUNSEL:

Jennifer Buckman

STAFF PRESENT:

Gary Goodman Manager
Samer Elkashef Assistant Manager
Janna McLeod Administrative Manager
Marcia Reed Laboratory Director
Steve Ramos Program Coordinator
Daniel Fisher IT Administrator
Ruben Rosas GIS Coordinator
Michael Fike Field Supervisor

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 10:01 a.m. by President Jayna Karpinski-Costa.

Roll Call
This meeting was held and attended by Video Teleconference. Trustee Eldridge was absent during roll call and joined the meeting at 11:35am; however, a quorum was present. The Isleton position is vacant.

Pledge of Allegiance
All phones and electronic devices are requested to be silenced during the meeting.
1. ITEMS FOR APPROVAL BY GENERAL CONSENT

Prior to discussion, legal Counsel Jennifer Buckman noted item c., would need to be pulled from General Consent and discussed separately; therefore, President Karpinski-Costa pulled Item c. and called for the vote on Items a., b., d., and e. On a motion by Trustee Denny seconded by Trustee Mooney, the Board voted to approve General Consent Items a., b., d., and e. The vote was taken by roll call and the motion passed by the following vote: Ayes: 11, Noes: 0, Absent: 1.

   a. Minutes of the December 15, 2020 Board of Trustees Meeting;
   b. Expenditures for December 2020;
   d. Board Review and Consideration of District Annual Safety Committee Report;
   e. Board Consideration of Resolution Honoring Marti Towery for Her Years of Service.

Item c. was pulled to discuss the need to meet and confer with the Local OE3 representing the MOAT unit. OE3 Representative, Felix Huerta, Jr. was in attendance and spoke to the Board. Mr. Huerta indicated that the Union and the represented employees were in support of the District extending the 80 hours and that the Union and Represented employees in the MOAT unit waive the right to meet and confer on this item.

   c. Board Review and Consideration of Extending the FFCRA 80 Hour COVID Leave to March 31st.

On a motion by Trustee Mooney seconded by Trustee Burnett, the Board voted to approve General Consent Item c. The vote was taken by roll call and the motion passed by the following vote: Ayes: 11, Noes: 0, Absent: 1.

2. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

   *This item is reserved for members of the public who wish to speak on items not on the agenda.*

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 including remote work when available. Staff is working on the annual NPDES report that will be due to the SWRCB in March.

The MVCAC Annual Conference will be conducted online-Feb 1-3.

Please be advised that you will need to submit your Conflict of Interest Form 700 prior to April 2020. The District will provide you with the Form 700 and we need to date stamp the Form when you return it. Please submit the Form as soon as possible.
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.

Department reports from Supervisors that were unable to attend the December meeting:

Information Technology: Information Technology Administrator, Dan Fisher reported on department activities and highlights for the year including ensuring staff ability to work remotely and access programs and files when appropriate due to COVID-19. In addition, Dan has performed upgrades to MapVision and other District software to improve processes and notification procedures. He has also been assisting with the planning and operation of the MVCAC conference in the virtual format.

Geographic Information Systems: Geographic Information Systems Coordinator Ruben Rosas reported on department activities for the year. The department is integral in the data analysis and visualization of mosquito abundance, West Nile virus and Aedes aegypti detections. An aerial flight to survey for neglected swimming pools was conducted in June 2020 resulting in mailers and service requests for those identified as needing inspections and/or treatments. Routing software providing turn by turn and spray on and off directions for technicians has been effective allowing for applications to be made in areas that were previously considered unfeasible.

Control Operations, North Yolo County: Field Supervisor, Michael Fike reported on department activities for the year including a summary of service requests and treatments performed during the mosquito season. Rice field acreage increased about 8 percent over the previous year with both aerial and ground treatments performed to reduce abundance and West Nile virus when detected.

Lab/Surveillance: Laboratory Director, Marcia Reed reported on department activities including winter mosquito abundance, chicken coop winterizing and maintenance, Tick surveillance, and collaboration and study progress updates.

Ecological Management: Ecological Management Supervisor, Marty Scholl provided a written report.

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

Larval and Adult Control: Program Coordinator, Steve Ramos reported on department activities including winter work such as brush cutting and site access projects, annual training, and technician manual updates. Steve also provided a summary of larval and adulticide applications.

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

4. BOARD REVIEW OF DISTRICT 5 YEAR PLAN

Assistant Manager, Samer Elkashef presented the item and was available to answer any questions. Samer’s oral report highlighted projects and accomplishments during the past year as well as ongoing and newly added projects for each department. These were included in the summary section for each department in the written report. No Board action was taken as this was an information only item.

5. BOARD REVIEW AND CONSIDERATION FOR DISTRICT FIRE ALARM SYSTEM UPGRADE

Assistant Manager, Samer Elkashef presented the item and was available to answer any questions. On a motion by Trustee Burnett seconded by Trustee Hawkins, the Board voted to
authorize staff to work with Valley Fire & Security to upgrade the District’s fire suppression system and approve a project budget not to exceed $72,000. The vote was taken by roll call and the motion passed by the following vote: Ayes: 11, Noes: 0, Absent: 1.

At 11:30am President Karpinski-Costa closed the regular meeting, with a 5 minute break to go into closed session for Item 6.

6. CLOSED SESSION-CONSIDERATION AND POTENTIAL ACCEPTANCE OR REJECTION OF CLAIM FOR LIABILITY (Gov. Code § 54956.95): claimant J. Shurnas
Claim for: Alleged property damage to exterior house and car paint due to pesticide spraying on property
Date of claim: October 1, 2020 – present
Agency Claimed Against: Sacramento-Yolo Mosquito &; Vector Control District

At 11:35am President Karpinski-Costa called the Board into closed session for Item 6. Upon returning to the regular meeting from all closed sessions at 12:24pm, the Board reported after consideration of the claim, on a motion by Trustee Burnett seconded by Trustee Denny, to reject the claim and notification of the rejection will be sent to the claimant. The vote was taken by roll call and the motion passed by the following vote: Ayes: 12, Noes: 0, Absent: 0.

7. CLOSED SESSION-PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION (Gov. Code § 54957): MANAGER

At 11:46 am President Karpinski-Costa adjourned the closed session for item 6 and the Board went into closed session for item 7. The Board re-opened the regular meeting at 12:24pm with no Board actions to report on this item.

8. BOARD CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF DISTRICT OFFICERS FOR PRESIDENT, VICE PRESIDENT, AND SECRETARY AND DELEGATING THE MANAGER TO PERFORM THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE SECRETARY

At this time President Jayna Karpinski-Costa opened up the nominations for the 2021 Board Officers. Trustee Karpinski-Costa nominated, and Trustee McGarvey seconded, Craig Burnett to serve as Board President. Trustee Burnett nominated, and Trustee Hawkins seconded, Garfield House to serve as Vice President. Trustee Karpinski-Costa nominated, and Trustee Burnett seconded, Marcia Mooney to serve as the Secretary. The Board voted and approved the nominations and delegation of the responsibilities of Secretary to the Manager. The vote was taken by roll call and the motion passed by the following vote: Ayes: 12, Noes: 0, Absent: 0.

9. BOARD/STAFF REPORTS AND REQUESTS

The upcoming MVCAC and AMCA conferences will be held virtually instead of in person due to the coronavirus pandemic and registration is now open for Trustees interested in attending.

10. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 12:33 pm

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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 January 19, 2021 meeting.

Gary Goodman, Manager

Approved as written and/or corrected by the Board of Trustees at the February 16, 2021 meeting.

Gar House, Board Secretary