

**MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 15, 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	Secretary	Winters
Christopher Barker		Davis
Raul DeAnda		West Sacramento
Sean Denny		Woodland
Lyndon Hawkins		Elk Grove
Raymond LaTorre		Sacramento
Susan Maggy		Sacramento County
Robert McGarvey		Rancho Cordova
Marcia Mooney		Galt
Vacant		Isleton

TRUSTEES ABSENT:

Bruce Eldridge	Yolo County
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LEGAL COUNSEL:

Jennifer Buckman

STAFF PRESENT:

Gary Goodman	Manager
Samer Elkashef	Assistant Manager
Janna McLeod	Administrative Manager
Marcia Reed	Laboratory Director
Marty Scholl	Ecological Management Supervisor
Steve Ramos	Program Coordinator
Luz Robles	Public Information Officer

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 10:09 a.m. by President Jayna Karpinski-Costa.

Roll Call

This meeting was held and attended by Video Teleconference. Trustee Eldridge was absent with all other Trustees in attendance (Isleton is vacant); therefore, a quorum was 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 Denny seconded by Trustee LaTorre, the Board voted to approve General Consent Items a. through d. The vote was taken by roll call and the motion passed by the following vote: Ayes: 11, Noes: 0, Absent: 1(Eldridge).

- a. Minutes of the August 18, 2020 Board of Trustees Meeting;
- b. Expenditures for August 2020;
- c. District Investment Report for Period Ending June 30, 2020;
- d. Annual Cooperative Agreement Between the California Department of Public Health and the Sacramento-Yolo Mosquito and Vector Control District.

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.

5. REPORTS TO THE BOARD

a. Manager's Report:

The District's West Nile season is beginning to slow and abundance and virus activity are lessening with the continued cooler weather. The District continues to follow the Mosquito Borne Disease Management Plan with enhanced surveillance and control efforts in response to positive dead birds or positive mosquito collections. The District has not detected invasive mosquitoes so far this year and neither has neighboring Placer County. However, they have been detected north of us in both Shasta and Sutter counties. The Districts that had initially detected them last year (San Joaquin, Stanislaus, and Merced) have found them again this year. We will continue to monitor the situation and react accordingly if detected. The MVCAC (Monterey in January) and the AMCA (Salt Lake in March) annual meetings are moving forward with a hybrid style format. The final details will need to adjust as we get closer and the situation surrounding the pandemic is better understood. The District Audit is scheduled for September 16-18.

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.

Lab/Surveillance: Laboratory Director, Marcia Reed discussed department activities including mosquito abundance and virus surveillance, dead bird program and collaborations. West Nile virus activity is being seen in both Yolo and Sacramento counties, with ground work being performed by technicians in areas of detection. This ground work has been successful in keeping the vector index low enough that aerial treatments have been warranted in the areas to date. The first presumptive positive sentinel chicken has been sent to California Department of Public Health (CDPH) for confirmation. *Aedes aegypti* have not yet been detected in Citrus Heights; however, trapping of the area is ongoing. Additional traps are being set in the area along with the permanent traps and will be checked and tested. After Marcia's verbal report, a quick video showing the new PCR room in the lab was shown.

Ecological Management: Ecological Management Supervisor, Marty Scholl discussed department activities including Storm Water and Drainages, Wetlands and Rice, Agriculture, Planning, and UAS programs. Fall Flooding activities are beginning with staff reaching out to property managers who tend to flood prior to October 1. Drainage and standing water issues were address in City of Galt Deadman’s Gulch and City of Sacramento Port Authority Deep Water Ship Channel through cooperation with their staff. Rancho Murieta CSD reached out to the District for assistance with midge fly mitigation. Staff met with management and the District has loaned them two light traps to assist them with addressing the problem. Winter project preparation has begun and the department has received numerous planning projects for review and comment. The Unmanned Aerial Systems (UAS) program continues with Leading Edge performing aerial treatments as they are turned in. Staff assisted Ducks Unlimited with aerial imaging for a pump and drainage project in the Vic Fazio Wildlife Area.

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

Larval and Adult Control: Program Coordinator, Steve Ramos discussed department activities including the rice program, equipment and trials. At this time of year breeding sources begin to change with rice fields draining, wetlands preparing to flood, corn harvests and hay growers do final irrigations keeping the Field Technicians quite busy. West Nile virus radius work, catch basin inspections and ULV treatments are being done where needed. Near the end of August rice larvicide treatments were stopped due to field draining which proved beneficial for staff to look at other areas and will continue next year. Trials being conducted this season are scheduled to run through the fall flooding season.

Public Outreach: Public Information Officer, Luz Robles reported on department activities including, Presentations, Advertising, Social Media, Repellent Distribution and Media Coverage. A Zoom presentation has been requested by the Laguna/Sunrise Rotary Club as a direct result of the one done for the Walnut Grove Rotary Club last month. The Advertising Campaign will wrap at the end of the month. Social Media efforts continue with the District using the Nextdoor app to provide content that is focused on the areas where the detection of West Nile virus has occurred to inform residents and encourage signing up for spray notifications and reporting of dead birds and services.

4. BOARD REVIEW AND CONSIDER ATION OF CALPERS VALUATION REPORT

Manager Gary Goodman presented the item and responded to questions. The Valuation dated as of June 30, 2019 is used to set the rates for the 2021-2022 fiscal year. In addition, the valuation report is used to update the District unfunded liability. No Board action was taken on this item as it was for information only.

5. BOARD/STAFF REPORTS AND REQUESTS

The front gate to the District is being upgraded to include an electric open/close system and work starts this week.

The plans for the parking area expansion near the fisheries building were recently approved by the city.

6. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 10:59 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 15, 2020 meeting.

Gary Goodman

Gary Goodman, Manager

Approved as written and/or corrected by the Board of Trustees at the October 20, 2020 meeting.

Gar House

Gar House, Board Secretary