

Placer Mosquito & Vector Control District  
Board of Trustees Regular Board Meeting  
MINUTES

Monday August 20, 2007 4:30pm  
Placer MVCD Office, 150 Waverly Drive, Lincoln, CA

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Board of Trustees

Rocklin	Harlin Smith (President)	Loomis	Miguel Ucovich
Auburn	Bob Snyder (V. President)	Placer-at-Large	Galen Clothier, Ph.D.
Colfax	Sherrie Blackmun	Roseville	John Cunningham
Lincoln	Linda Stackpoole		

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- 1) Call to Order: President Smith called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.
- 2) Roll Call and Determination of Quorum: Trustees Clothier, Cunningham, Smith, Stackpoole and Snyder present. Trustees Ucovich and Blackmun absent.  
District Employees present: Manager Bernstein, Dr. Jamesina Scott, Vicki Siefer, Kelly Burcham, John McCulloch and Rita Haury.
- 3) Pledge of Allegiance: Trustee Clothier led the pledge of allegiance.
- 4) Presentation: There were no presentations presented to the Board.
- 5) Public Comment: No one from the public wished to address the Board.
- 6) Consent Agenda: *Action Item*
  - a. Minutes:
  - b. Financial Report:  
In-house warrant list  
Budget update

*A motion was made by Trustee Clothier, seconded by Trustee Cunningham to accept part a. of the consent agenda, unanimously adopted.*  
*A motion was made by Trustee Snyder, seconded by Trustee Clothier to accept part b. of the consent agenda, unanimously adopted.*

- 7) Staff's Report:
  - a. Manager's Report: Manager Bernstein presented a written report to the Board. There was a discussion of the Fiddymont property. Trustee Snyder requested the Manager have the surveyor of the property add elevation level to the report so the District's buildings can be put in the right area. To help phase out Vicki Siefer will be filling out more of the annual Audit information; this will help the District phase out needed information from the County Auditor's Office.  
The District is adding the employee leave balances (sick leave, vacation leave, floaters) to the employee's bi-weekly pay stubs. The employees have been receiving this information monthly.
  - b. Vector Ecologist's Report: Dr. Scott presented a written report to the Board. The report included information on the recent West Nile Virus activity

in Placer County and the United States. Dr. Scott has been sending the Board weekly updates on WNV activity. Overall the District has been having an extremely good year. The mosquito counts around the organic rice fields are low. Sierra Pacific's log decks are full; overall the mosquito numbers are down. There are more *Culex pipiens* coming from the decks than anywhere else in the Placer County. There have been few service requests from the neighborhoods near the log decks, despite the relatively large number of mosquitoes being collected from the Joiner Park trap. Trap data have shown that there are large numbers of *Anopheles freeborni* migrating into town from the rice, as is typical for this time of year, but complaints have been low. The numbers of mosquitoes collected in traps set along the urbanized border with Sacramento County have been low.

Placer County had several new WNV positive birds this week. The District's sentinel flock in Sheridan had one new WNV-positive sentinel chicken. Placer County has not had any human cases of WNV reported yet in 2007. The District is doing a better job every year and we can expect a reduction in the mosquito population as the District's program becomes more established. In the next 10 years we are expecting the annual number of human cases of West Nile virus to decrease in United States, although there will continue to be spikes in activity due to weather and other factors.

c. Public Outreach Representative Report: There was no report presented to the Board.

8) Old Business:

Action Item

a. Results of PMVCD Employee elections: Manager Bernstein presented a letter to the Board with the results of the PMVCD Employee elections. The District's employees, by secret ballot, unanimously accepted the Employee Associations.

i. Officially accept the election results as reported from the General Manager. *A motion was made by Trustee Snyder, seconded by Trustee Stackpoole to accept the election results, unanimously adopted.*

ii. Continue the item to the next regular meeting or hold a special meeting to allow for 10 day written appeal period to consider to officially recognize the PMVCD Employees Associations as the collective bargaining groups for the affected employees. *A motion was made by Trustee Snyder, seconded by Trustee Stackpoole to continue item ii. at the next regular meeting September 17, 2007 to officially recognize the PMVCD Employee Associations as the collective bargaining groups for the affected employees, unanimously adopted.*

b. Board authorization to open recruitment and authorize hiring of Budgeted regular Vector Control Technician position (continued by Board motion from July 16, 2007 meeting). *A motion was made by Trustee Snyder, seconded by Trustee Cunningham to delay recruitment until the Board has the benefit package for new employees, Trustees Snyder, Cunningham, Clothier, and Smith voted ayes, Trustee Stackpoole voted no, adopted.*

9) New Business:

- a. Board authorization and approval of submission of application by General Manager for State Funds in the amount of \$109,00 for Emergency Mosquito Control and West Nile Virus Surveillance for 2007.  
Ex-Agenda item: To approve schedule A the mid-year budget item. *A motion was made by Trustee Snyder, seconded by Trustee Clothier to approve the addition of Ex-Agenda item to the agenda.*
- i. Authorize deposit of monetary award into the District funds account. *A motion was made by Trustee Clothier, seconded by Trustee Snyder to accept the WNV Emergency Funds and approve schedule A the mid-year budget item, unanimously adopted.*
- b. Consideration of confirmation of ongoing fiscal year paid Administrative leave for the following FSLA exempt employees: Vector Ecologist, Administrative Office Manager and Field Supervisor. *A motion was made by Trustee Stackpoole, seconded by Trustee Clothier to approve paid Administrative leave, because it is a past practice, for the following FSLA exempt employees: Vector Ecologist, Administrative Office Manager and Field Supervisor, with the awareness that this will be a negotiated item in the future, Trustees Stackpoole, Clothier, Smith voted ayes, Trustees Cunningham and Snyder voted no, adopted.*
- c. Consideration of approval of out-of-state attendance by Vector Ecologist to attend Society of Vector Ecology Annual conference, held in Springfield, Illinois, September 16-20, 2007. *A motion was made by Trustee Clothier, seconded by Trustee Snyder to approve the out-of-state attendance by Vector Ecologist, Jamesina Scott, Ph.D. to attend Society of Vector Ecology Annual Conference, held in Springfield, Illinois, September 16-20, 2007, unanimously adopted.*

10) Committee Reports:

11) Open Time for Board or Staff Comments: Trustee Stackpoole suggested that after the September regular Board meeting, the Board (no more than 3 Board members, per Brown Act) and the District's Association representatives begin having meetings.

12) Announcement of next regular Board meeting: The next regular Board meeting will be held September 17, 2007, at 4:30 p.m., at the Placer Mosquito and Vector Control District Office, 150 Waverly Dr., Lincoln, CA 95648

13) Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 5:43 p.m.

Recording Secretary