**ANTELOPE VALLEY MOSQUITO AND VECTOR CONTROL DISTRICT**

**465thMEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

**42624 6TH STREET EAST, LANCASTER, CALIFORNIA 93535**

**(661) 942-2917**

**JANUARY 23, 2025**

**4:00 P.M.**

**MINUTES**

**TRUSTEES PRESENT**: Elvie Ancheta, David Gantenbein, Cado Dhinsa and Cei Kratz.

**TRUSTEES ABSENT**: Tierney Smith-Wood

**STAFF PRESENT**: Leann Verdick and Carolyn Etherton (consultant)

**OPENING**: President Gantenbein called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. and asked Leann Verdick to lead in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**: limit to 3 minutes:

An opportunity for members of the public to address the Board on items of interest that are within the Board’s subject matter jurisdiction, and are not otherwise posted on the agenda. No members of the public were present.

**APPROVAL OF NOVEMBER 12, 2024 MEETING MINUTES.**

Trustee Ancheta moved to approve the Minutes. Trustee Dhinsa seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. *\* Prior to approval Trustee Gantenbein had a few questions and discussion points. It was decided that Trustee Dhinsa will speak with the City of Palmdale to discuss the possibility of being a free sponsor.*

**APPROVAL OF OCTOBER EFT’S AND WARRANTS FOR A TOTAL OF $76,799.11.**

Trustee Ancheta moved to approve the EFT and Warrants. Trustee Gantenbein seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF REQUISITION NO. 1760 FOR A TOTAL OF $ 75,000.**

Trustee Kratz moved to approve the Requisition. Trustee Ancheta seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF TAX SHARING RESOLUTIONS FOR LOS ANGELES COUNTY SANITATIONS DISTRICT NO. 14-456; ONE PROPOSED WAREHOUSE: POINT OF BEGINNING LOCATED ON WEST AVENUE L-4 AND WALL STREET**

Trustee Ancheta moved to approve the Resolutions. Trustee Kratz seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. *\*Line item 7 and 8 were combined and approved together.*

**APPROVAL OF TAX SHARING RESOLUTIONS FOR LOS ANGELES COUNTY WATERWORKS DISTRICT NO. 40:**

**- 165; PROPERTY TYPE NOT LISTED; LOCATED NORTH OF WEST AVENUE H AND EAST OF THE ANTELOPE VALLEY FREEWAY**

**- 166; PROPERTY TYPE NOT LISTED; LOCATED NORTHEAST CORNER OF 25TH STREET EAST AND LANCASTER BLVD.**

**- 168; PROPERTY TYPE NOT LISTED; LOCATED NORTHEAST CORNER OF EAST AVENUE I AND 25TH STREET EAST**

Trustee Ancheta moved to approve the Resolutions. Trustee Kratz seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. *\*Line item 7 and 8 were combined and approved together.*

**ELECTION OF BOARD OF TRUSTEE OFFICERS**

Once re-elected as Board President, Trustee David Gantenbein motioned that the board positions stay as it was, Trustee Kratz seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously; President David Gantenbein, Vice President Elvie Ancheta, Secretary Cado Dhinsa, and Treasurer Tierney Smith-Woods retain their titles within the board.

**DISTRICT MANAGERS MONTHLY REPORT**

Firstly, Leann Verdick opens with stating that two vehicles that will be put up for bid (with a reserve), they are the 2010 F150 and 2005 Dodge Ram. Kevan has been working on both to get them cleaned and running. Secondly, with the upcoming season getting closer, Leann has been analyzing past data to see what could be brought back from previous seasons that were dropped due to the budget. One program that she has decided would work with the district’s current staffing and budget is mosquito testing. Unlike when a human is found to be positive, HIPAA does not prohibit us from disclosing the areas of positive mosquitoes. While there is not much we can do to eradicate the diseased mosquitoes entirely, getting positive tests will allow us to inform the residents that they need to by hyper vigilante in areas those mosquitoes were acquired. Another program that was looked at potentially bringing back was the Pool Flyover, was decided against. Tannan was able to look at previous flyovers and collect data on how effective it was, but it was decided that with the current limited staff it ultimately would be too much of an undertaking and not an efficient use of our resources. Though the flyover will not be taking place this year, Brenna is looking into previous dirty pools and sending out postcards as a heads up that mosquito season is here and to get their pools up and running, or drained, if they are not already so. Thirdly, Leann has been preparing for Karen’s retirement. The position is being switched up and will be more affordable for the district. There has been much thought on what will be best for the district, whether promoting within or hiring a new employee for the opening position; at the current time it is undecided but she has a strategy planned for either route, and will inform the board on her decision. Lastly, the deposition for the car accident lawsuit was rescheduled for January 27th (previously January 10th). It is expected to go into mediation instead of court in April/May. One of the districts attorney’s experts will be here to inspect the truck and to speak with Demian January 24th.

**NEXT BOARD MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR FEBRUARY 27, 2025 AT 4:00 PM,**

 **AT THE DISTRICT OFFICE.**

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES COMMENTS:** Trustee Ancheta let everyone know of the upcoming the SDANLAC meeting on February 19th.

**ITEMS NOT ON THE POSTED AGENDA:** None.

**ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business to come before the Board, President Gantenbein adjourned the meeting at 5:01 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted: Approved:

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Cado Dhinsa David Gantenbein

Board Secretary Board President