**ANTELOPE VALLEY MOSQUITO AND VECTOR CONTROL DISTRICT**

**441st MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

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**SEPTEMBER 22, 2022**

**4:00 P.M.**

**MINUTES**

**MEETING VIA WEB CONFERENCE**

**TRUSTEES PRESENT**: John Manning, David Gantenbein Tierney Smith-Woods and Elvie Ancheta.

**TRUSTEES ABSENT**: Steve Hofbauer

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

**OPENING**: President Manning called the meeting to order at 4:01 p.m.

**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 AUGUST 25, 2022 MEETING MINUTES:**

Trustee Gantenbein moved to approve the Minutes. Trustee Manning seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF AUGUST EFT’S AND WARRANTS FOR A TOTAL OF $171,684.01:**

Trustee Ancheta moved to approve EFT’s and Warrants. Trustee Manning seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF REQUISITION NO. 1731 FOR A TOTAL OF $75,000:**

Trustee Manning moved to approve the Requisition. Trustee Gantenbein seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**DISTRICT MANAGERS MONTHLY REPORT:**

Firstly, the seasonals have had their last day in the field on Friday, September 16th, 2022. In their absence Kevan, Demian and Zach have been going around treating what they can, all while trying to keep Service Requests a priority. Breeding has been high, but no higher than is typical for this time of year, the rain did not help the matter though. With those three in the field, Karen has taken over trapping; while we no longer send the samples out for testing we do find out important statistics from the trapping. We learn what type of mosquitoes are in the area, the gender which indicates if the breeding source is near or not, and then the density of the mosquitoes. All of this allows us to streamline our problem areas instead of going in blind. Secondly, we are still utilizing public outreach, with fewer eyes at our disposal it has become even more crucial to inform the public on what to look out for and who to contact when they see mosquito activity. With this in mind Brenna and Tannan will be working the booth at the A.V. Fair for the 10 days it will be open, Demian and Zach will be working the weekends to help the two get a break in. Thirdly, while we have been mindful of spending Leann has taken it a step further and has been looking into a couple of our higher annual payments. One being the MVCAC, they are our Californian representative up in Washington as well as a great resource for all things mosquito district; their annual membership fee is $10,000 and they are currently looking into a way of lowering it for this year but without that we will most likely take a step back and renew at a later date when it is more feasible. The second being Leading Edge/MapVision, who went from being an annual $6,600 to $10,000 this year; Leann was able to keep them from raising it this year but they will raise the licensing fee which will add an additional $300. Lastly, we are in the works with speaking with the cities about potential financial aid after the major hit with the failing of Proposition 218. Leann has a meeting with Donna Termeer from the Supervisors office and is participating in a meeting with the Tax Oversight Committee the following Wednesday. Leann has written a proposal up for distribution to Lancaster City, Palmdale City, and Los Angeles County, she will be sprucing it up and sending it to the board for final approval before sending it out to all three of the priorly listed. The district stays hopeful during these dire times.

**NEXT BOARD MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR OCTOBER 27, 2022 AT 4:00 PM VIA**

**ZOOM:** No further comment.

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES COMMENTS:** None.

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

**ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business to come before the Board, President Manning adjourned the meeting at 5:02 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted: Approved:

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John Manning David Gantenbein

Board President Board Vice President