

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

July 12, 2023

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Lake County Vector Control District was called to order at 1:33 P.M. by President Giambruno.

Board Present: Rob Bostock, Curt Giambruno, Chuck Leonard, Ron Nagy, and George Spurr.

Absent: None.

District Personnel: Jamesina Scott, Ph.D., Manager and Research Director and Ms. Jacinda Franusich, Office Manager.

Guests: Ms. Melanie Lee of SCI Consulting Group.

Citizen's Input: None.

Agenda additions and/or deletions: None.

Open Public Hearing and Consideration of Levy of the Assessment for the Lake County Vector Control District Mosquito, Vector and Disease Control Assessment.

President Giambruno opened the Public Hearing at 1:34 P.M.

President Giambruno opened the Public Input portion of the Public Hearing at 1:35 P.M.

There was no public input.

President Giambruno closed the Public Input portion of the Public Hearing at 1:36 P.M.

Consideration of Resolution 23-03 Approving Engineer's Report, Confirming Diagram and Assessment, and Ordering Levy of The Mosquito, Vector, and Disease Control Assessment for Fiscal Year 2023-2024

Mr. Spurr moved to approve Resolution 23-03 Approving Engineer's Report, Confirming Diagram and Assessment, and Ordering Levy of the Mosquito, Vector, and Disease Control Assessment for Fiscal Year 2023-2024. Mr. Nagy seconded the motion. Motion carried with a roll call vote as follows: five in favor: (Mr. Bostock, Mr. Giambruno, Mr. Leonard, Mr. Nagy, and Mr. Spurr), and none against.

Ms. Lee left the meeting at 1:40 P.M.

Approve Minutes of June 14, 2023 Regular Meeting

Mr. Spurr moved to approve the minutes of June 14, 2023 Regular Meeting. Mr. Nagy seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Research Report

Dr. Scott reported on arbovirus activity. No West Nile virus (WNV) has been detected in Lake County this year.

In California, WNV has been detected in 12 counties with 84 positive mosquito samples, and 51 positive dead birds.

One St. Louis encephalitis virus-positive mosquito pool has been reported from Kern County.

For the rest of the United States, 12 states have reported WNV activity including ten states with human infections.

Three locally-acquired cases of dengue virus have been reported from two Florida residents, and one Texas resident.

Eastern equine encephalitis virus has been detected in seventeen sentinel chickens and four horses from Florida.

One fatal case of Powassan virus has been reported from Maine.

Dr. Scott reported on local malaria transmission in the United States. Four locally-acquired cases of *Plasmodium vivax* malaria have been reported from Sarasota County Florida and Cameron County Texas.

Dr. Scott reported on adult biting fly activity. Carbon dioxide-baited traps were set in various locations around the county in June. *Culicoides* spp.

were the most abundant biting fly and outnumbered mosquitoes. Among the mosquito species collected were *Culex tarsalis*, *Anopheles freeborni*, and *Aedes increpitus*.

New Jersey light traps were set in the Reclamation and near Borax Lake during June. Among the mosquito species collected were *Anopheles franciscanus* and *Culex tarsalis*.

Dr. Scott reported on tick testing. Thirteen *Ixodes pacificus* ticks that Lake County residents removed from themselves have been submitted to the Sonoma County Public Health Laboratory for testing for *Borrelia burgdorferi*. All the ticks were negative.

Dr. Scott reported on Clear Lake Gnat, Chironominae, and Tanypodinae Surveillance in Clear Lake. Due to mechanical difficulties with the boat, Clear Lake surveillance was only partially completed in June.

Operation Report

During June, 0.05 inches of rainfall was recorded in the District's rain gauge. The total rainfall for the season is 35.52 inches, which is 132% of the cumulative average annual rainfall for this date.

The level of Clear Lake was 6.97 feet on the Rumsey Gauge on June 1. On June 30, the lake reached 5.91.

The District responded to 468 service requests in June. One yellowjacket service request was also completed in June.

Sixty-three residents submitted service requests online during June. This is about twice the average for the month.

Two irrigated pastures near Middletown were treated in June using the side-by-side. Natular G30 was applied to control floodwater mosquitoes.

The replacement part needed for the District Administrative building air conditioning unit was received and installed in June. The unit is once again working properly and keeping the building cool.

District Vector Biologist Michelle Koschik was the featured speaker at the Senior Day at Anderson Marsh State Historic Park on June 3.

On August 4, Dr. Scott will be speaking to the Kelseyville Sunrise Rotary Club at their weekly breakfast meeting at the Saw Shop in Kelseyville.

The District received a notice of potential violation regarding the Todd Road property from the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB). The notice requested information to determine if the District had diverted surface water for its mosquitofish ponds. Dr. Scott responded to the notice and explained that the mosquitofish ponds are filled using an existing well on the property and that none of the water comes from the creek. The SWRCB responded on June 30 confirming that no violation exists because the District's ponds are filled using well water, not a surface water diversion, and therefore it does not fall within the water right permitting authority of the State Water Board.

Dr. Scott attended the Employer Risk Management Authority (ERMA) Board of Directors meeting in Sacramento on June 5. Dr. Scott serves as the VCJPA Alternate Representative to ERMA.

Dr. Scott attended the California Special Districts (CSDA) Webinar on Performance Management one June 13.

In the last week of June Dr. Scott was able to speak with many of the District's neighbors on Esplanade regarding the District's intent to apply for a zoning and general plan amendment so that the District's parcels would be correctly identified as Public and Civil Use (PCU). The neighbors support the correction and will be looking for Dr. Scott's letter requesting their support the application.

Final Budget Hearing for Fiscal Year 2023/2024

After some discussion, Mr. Spurr moved to approve the Final Budget for Fiscal Year 2023/2024 with a correction to page 8 Revenue Projection. The Ending Balance for June 30, 2023 should be \$395,715.00, making the Total Projected Revenue for Fiscal Year 23/24 \$2,341,494.00. Mr. Bostock seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Approve Checks for the Months of June 2023 and July 2023

Mr. Nagy moved to approve Check Nos. 21762-21839 for the month of June 2023 in the amount of \$133,525.38. Mr. Spurr seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Nagy move to approve Check Nos. 21840-21886 for the month of July 2023 in the amount of \$304,413.60. Mr. Bostock seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Other Business

No other business was discussed.

Announcement of the Next Board Meeting

The next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Lake County Vector Control District will be at 1:30 P.M. on August 9, 2023 in the LCVCD Board Room, 410 Esplanade Lakeport, CA 95453.

Mr. Nagy moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Spurr seconded the motion. There being no other business the meeting was adjourned by President Giambruno at 2:24 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronald Nagy
Secretary