



## *Weber Mosquito Abatement District*

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**The Board of Trustees of the Weber Mosquito Abatement District met in public session March 14, 2016 at 6:00 pm., at the Weber Mosquito Abatement District headquarters, 505 W. 12<sup>th</sup> Street, Ogden, UT, 84404. Meeting was called to order by Board Vice Chair Boyd Ferrin. On roll call the following members were found to be present:**

**Director Ryan Arkoudas  
Assistant Director Keith Hill  
District Clerk Becky Christiansen  
Vice Chair Boyd Ferrin  
Sallee Orr  
Brent Ellis  
Robert Jensen  
Gordon Cutler  
Karlene Yeoman  
Jeff Pearce  
Doug Stephens  
David Smith  
Carl Turner  
Steve Gibson**

Trustees Kyle Cooke, Brett Ferrin, James Ebert, Bill Wangsgard and Board Chair Kim Slater were excused.

In absence of Board Chair Kim Slater, Vice Chair Boyd Ferrin conducted the March 14, 2016 meeting.

**Approval of the January 11, 2016 Board Meeting Minutes.** A motion to approve the meeting minutes of January 11, 2016 was made by Trustee Steve Gibson, seconded by Trustee Carl Turner. Motion passed.

**Monthly Budget Report.** Director Ryan Arkoudas reviewed the Monthly Budget Reports. General Fund expenditures for January totaled \$62,264.72. The General Budget expended YTD was 4.14%. Total expenditures in January from Capital Expenditures was \$5,061.70 for two Trimble Nomad GPS units bringing the total expenditures for January to \$67,326.42. Public Treasurer's Investment Fund balance was \$1,722,528.31. The Bank of Utah checking account balance as of January 29, 2016 was \$248,254.62. The America First CD earned interest in January totaled \$543.20 bringing the total to \$281,082.67.

Revenue was received in February for sale of surplus equipment totaling \$28,324.00. General Fund expenditures for February totaled \$72,677.62. The General Budget expended YTD is 8.84%. Total expenditures in February from Capital Expenditures is \$24,063.67. Expenditures in February totaled \$96,741.29. Public Treasurer's Investment Fund balance is \$1,732,773.88. The Bank of Utah checking

account balance as of February 29, 2016 is \$185,629.31. The America First CD earned interest in February totaled \$544.25 bringing the total balance to \$281,626.92.

**Approval of the Monthly Bills.** The Board proceeded to discuss the monthly bills. Wages in January totaled \$19,920.03 and reflect one pay period. The expense to Weber County Personnel in the amount of \$8,922.57 was for health and dental insurance for all full-time employees. Check #16240 to Aviation Marine in the amount of \$11,250.00 was for airplane insurance and the Bank of Utah Visa bill totaled \$5,640.86 and reflects travel expenses for the AMCA meeting in Savannah, Georgia.

February's wages totaled \$39,741.74 for two pay periods. Check # 16245 in the amount of \$19,400 to Clarke Mosquito Control Products is for the purchase of two Grizzly foggers. The expense to Electronic Data Solutions totaled \$2,340 for software maintenance and check # 16276 totaled \$4,663.67 for fencing supplies. After discussion, a motion was made by Trustee Steve Gibson, seconded by Trustee Brent Ellis to approve the monthly bills for January and February. Motion passed.

**2015 Annual Report.** The Annual Report was discussed in some detail. A total of 93,545 acres were sprayed by air in 2015 costing \$1.16 per acre. A total of 68 acres were larvicide applications, while the remaining 93,477 acres were adulticide applications.

Weber County had no confirmed human cases of West Nile Virus in 2015, no confirmed equine cases, and sent 1,198 mosquito pools to the state lab, nineteen of which produced positive results. State wide there were eight human cases of West Nile Virus, four equine cases, and 281 positive mosquito pools.

**Director's Report.** It's anticipated that seasonal employees will begin the first week of April. Don Hudson and Hyrum Hill have taken other job opportunities and will not be returning for the 2016 season. Deric Sorenson who worked for the District in 2014 will be returning for the 2016 season and a few applications have been received to date.

Director Arkoudas recently received a draft of the airport rules and regulations, if passed these regulations would shut down the air spray program. The provisions included in the draft are as follows:

- Spraying or flights of an agricultural nature, to include mosquito abatement, are required to get direct authorization from the Airport Manager.
- Mosquito abatement operators may not take water from any system without an approved backflow prevention device.
- No discharge of chemical or rinse water from the aircraft or ground equipment will be allowed on the airport or any other City property.
- The operator, unless contracted by the City, must obtain a commercial operator's agreement prior to operating.

The airport is currently open to comments or suggestions. Trustee Doug Stephens recommended Director Arkoudas and Board Chair Kim Slater meet with Jon Greiner, the Airport Manager.

Director Arkoudas discussed future plans for the UAV Program with the Board. After some discussion it was ultimately decided to place the UAV project on hold as other projects take precedence.

A legislative report was presented by Director Arkoudas. Many of the bills presented failed. One in particular was House Bill 326-Special and Local District Transparency Amendments. HB 326 would require a local district or a special service district to post the contact information of each member of the

district's governing body on the Utah Public Notice Website. The bill also addresses a county's or a municipality's authority to audit a local district or a special service district.

HB 347 passed. This bill clarifies when a member of a board of trustees of a local district may complete training. HB 347 states each member of a board of trustees of a local district shall, within one year after taking office, complete board member training.

**Presentation on Zika Virus.** Director Ryan Arkoudas presented a presentation on Zika virus. Zika virus comes from the Zika Forest in Uganda and was first isolated in 1947. The first human case was reported in 1952 and has since spread. It is spread by daytime-active *Aedes aegypti* and *Aedes albopictus* mosquitoes. Symptoms of the virus are similar to Chikungunya & Dengue fever and often present a fever, rash, joint pain, muscle pain, headaches and/or conjunctivitis. Pregnant women should be extra cautious because Zika virus is associated with microcephaly, a condition in which the circumference of the head is smaller because the brain hasn't properly developed.

**Approve/Disapprove: Purchase of Tube Conveyor for Granules.** The Board proceeded to discuss the purchase of a new tube conveyor for loading granules into the airplane. Director Arkoudas found a distributor called Pioneer Equipment Company located in American Falls, Idaho who sells a 21' conveyor w/5hp electric motor for \$7,650.00. After a brief discussion Trustee Steve Gibson made a motion to approve the purchase of the 21' tube conveyor from Pioneer Equipment Co., seconded by Trustee Carl Turner. Motion passed.

**Approve/Disapprove: Purchase of Granule Spreader for Airplane.** MadFly Inc. currently owns a used Transland 10 Vane Spreader they are willing to sell for \$5,000. A new spreader is about \$10,000. Trustee Gordon Cutler made a motion granting Director Ryan Arkoudas permission to purchase the Transland 10 Vane Spreader from MadFly Inc., seconded by Trustee Sallee Orr. Motion passed.

**Approve/Disapprove: Revised Pesticide Discharge Management Plan.** The Pesticide Discharge Management Plan has been updated to include a new species of mosquito (*Coquillettidia perturbans*) present within Weber County. A motion was made by Trustee Steve Gibson to approve the revised Pesticide Discharge Management Plan, seconded by Trustee David Smith. Motion passed.

**Adjourn.** A motion to adjourn was made by Trustee Steve Gibson, seconded by Trustee Sallee Orr. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 7:48 P.M.

Attested \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_