MINUTES OF THE 779th BOARD MEETING BOARD OF TRUSTEES NORTHWEST MOSOUITO AND VECTOR CONTROL DISTRICT

TIME: 3:00 p.m., Thursday, July 18th, 2024

PLACE: Northwest Mosquito and Vector Control District,

1966 Compton Avenue, Corona, CA 92881

Zoom Teleconference: Meeting ID: 389 155 8737

TRUSTEES PRESENT: Clint Lorimore Eastvale President

Dale Welty Canyon Lake Vice Pres.
Katherine Aleman Norco Trustee
Gary Bradley, Ph.D. City of Riverside Trustee
Steven Su, Ph.D. Riverside County Trustee
Brian Tisdale Lake Elsinore Trustee

TRUSTEES ABSENT: Nancy Jimenez-Hernandez Corona

Guillermo Silva Jurupa Valley

STAFF PRESENT: Angela Caranci, Ph.D. Assistant Manager/Vector Ecologist

Nikia Smith Director of Operations

Eric Ballejos Public Information & Tech. Officer
Jeff Hopkins Clerk of the Board/HR Generalist

Hannah Young Administrative Assistant I

OTHERS PRESENT: None

I. CALL TO ORDER:

President Lorimore called the meeting to order at 3:01 p.m.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

The pledge of allegiance was led by Trustee Bradley.

III. ROLL CALL AND INTRODUCTIONS:

At the time of roll call Trustees, Aleman, Bradley, Lorimore, Su, Tisdale, Welty, as well as Assistant DM/Vector Ecologist, Director of Operations, Clerk of the Board/HR Generalist and Administrative Assistant I were present in the board room. Trustees Jimenez-Hernandez and Silva were absent.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS

None.

V. CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion by Bradley to approve all items on the Consent Calendar; second by Tisdale. Motion passed by a roll call vote as follows: yes by Trustees, Aleman, Bradley, Lorimore, Su, Tisdale and Welty.

VI. PRESENTATION:

None.

VII. ITEMS FOR ACTION:

A. Recommendation to the Board for the selection of District General Counsel from submitted proposals.

The District solicited proposals from legal firms and formed an Ad Hoc Search Committee consisting of three Trustees and the District Manager as an ex officio member, and the Assistant Manager as an alternate ex officio member. The Ad Hoc Search Committee recently reviewed the excellent thorough submitted proposals and ranked them based on factors such as ability to meet the needs of the District, breadth of experience, and fee schedules as outlined in the "NWMVCD Request for Proposals, District Legal Counsel Services." The firms with the top two proposals were invited to an interview. While all proposals and interviews were professionally prepared and qualified, the Ad Hoc Search Committee ultimately selected Burke, Williams & Sorensen, LLP., with lead attorney, Erica L. Vega as their top recommendation to the NWMVCD Board of Trustees.

Motion by Trustee Welty to select Burke, Williams & Sorensen, LLP., with lead attorney, Erica L. Vega as the District's General Counsel; seconded by Trustee Aleman. Passed by a vote as follows: yes by Trustees Aleman, Bradley, Lorimore, Su, Tisdale and Welty.

VIII. Reports:

- 1. Trustees: Trustee Aleman requested Public Information & Tech. Officer to provide social media outreach materials for the City of Norco. In addition, Trustee Aleman also requested a report on vector control resources and data research on the locations of WNv positive mosquito samples in Norco.
- 2. Staff: Assistant Manager/Vector Ecologist received a new aedes-associated human disease case, the patient tested positive for Zika, the District will be taking precautionary steps such as mosquito trapping. Aerial treatment via drones will take place in Lake Elsinore on July 22, 2024, in the early morning hours. Public notification of this treatment has been posted near and around the lake.

The Director of Operations provided a brief update on mosquito control treatment. Emails will be sent to the Trustees to inform them of the date and time this event will occur. Public Information & Technology Officer advised the Board of future upcoming changes to the Northwest Mosquito and Vector Control District website. The Clerk of the Board/HR Generalist highlighted work anniversaries.

IX. Informational:

1. Results of Special District Selection Committee Run-Off Election (Eastern Region)

X. Other Business:

1. None.

XI. Adjournment:

1. Meeting adjourned at 3:20 p.m.

Next regular meeting: 3:00 p.m., *Thursday, August 15th, 2024*, located at 1966 Compton Avenue, Corona, CA 92881.

I certify that the above minutes substantially reflect the action taken by the Board of Trustees at its meeting held on July 18th, 2024.

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Mark Breidenbaugh, Ph.D., District Manager

Approved as written and/or corrected by the Board of Trustees at its meeting held on August 15th, 2024.

ATTEST:

Clint Lorimore, President

Nancy Jimenez-Hernandez, Secretary