MINUTES OF THE 766th BOARD MEETING BOARD OF TRUSTEES NORTHWEST MOSQUITO AND VECTOR CONTROL DISTRICT

TIME:

3:00 p.m., Thursday, May 18, 2023

PLACE:

Northwest Mosquito and Vector Control District

1966 Compton Avenue Corona, CA 92881

Zoom Teleconference: Meeting ID: 389 155 8737

TRUSTEES PRESENT:

Brian Tisdale Lake Elsinore President Dale Welty Canyon Lake Secretary Katherine Aleman Norco Trustee Gary Bradley, Ph.D. Riverside Trustee Nancy Jimenez-Hernandez Corona Trustee Guillermo Silva Jurupa Valley Trustee Steven Su. Ph.D. Riverside County Trustee Dale Welty Canyon Lake Trustee

TRUSTEES ABSENT:

Clint Lorimore Eastvale

STAFF PRESENT:

Mark Breidenbaugh, Ph.D.

District Manager

Angela Caranci, Ph.D.

Assistant Manager/Vector Ecologist

Nikia Smith

Director of Operations

Jeff Hopkins

Clerk of the Board/HR Generalist

Vanessa Ramirez

Administrative Assistant I

OTHERS PRESENT:

None

I. CALL TO ORDER:

President Tisdale called the meeting to order at 3:04 p.m.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

The pledge of allegiance was led by Trustee Silva.

III. ROLL CALL AND INTRODUCTIONS:

At the time of roll call Trustees Aleman, Bradley, Jimenez-Hernandez, Silva, Su, Tisdale, Welty, as well as District Manager, Assistant District Manager/ Vector Ecologist, Clerk of the Board/HR Generalist, and Administrative Assistant I were present in the boardroom.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS

No public comments or questions.

V. CONSENT CALENDAR:

Motion by Trustee Bradley to approve all items on Consent Calendar; second by Trustee Aleman. Passed unanimously by a vote as follows: yes by Trustees Aleman, Bradley, Jimenez-Hernandez, Silva, Su, Tisdale, and Welty.

VI. PRESENTATION:

A. None.

VII. ITEMS FOR ACTION:

A. Discussion on traditional Brown Act teleconferencing rules and AB 2449's new teleconferencing rules for virtual/remote meetings.

Trustee Aleman initiated the discussion on revisiting the continuation of the traditional Brown Act teleconferencing rules or AB 2449's new teleconferencing rules for virtual/remote meetings. She conveyed recent experience with the benefits of utilizing the provisions of AB 2449 for the City of Norco. This flexibility provides the ability to move forward without a Trustee being physically present, provided certain parameters are met. Trustee Silva agreed with the flexibility that AB 2449 provides and shared conflicts regarding attendance he experienced within the last several months. Trustee Tisdale reiterated to the Board which teleconference options are, and have been, available with the traditional Brown Act. The Clerk of the Board reiterated and defined the new AB 2449 teleconferencing rules for virtual/remote meetings. This would entail requesting to attend virtually for "Just Cause," or due to an "Emergency." In addition, the parameters were provided as to the extent and number of times allowed to request to attend virtually.

Motion by Trustee Aleman to approve AB 2449 teleconferencing rules: second by Trustee Jimenez-Hernandez. Passed unanimously by a roll call vote as follows: yes by Trustees Aleman, Bradley, Jimenez-Hernandez, Silva, Su, Tisdale, and Weltv.

VIII. Reports:

- 1. Trustees: Trustee Jimenez-Hernandez thanked the Public Information and Technology Officer for the information to provide/present to the City of Corona residents. Trustee Aleman reported on attending the AMCA 25th Annual Washington Conference, Capitol Hill representative visits, and funding appropriations. Trustee Su also attended the same conference and was impressed by the representatives being well-versed in vector control and knowing about Northwest MVCD. He further discussed key issues surrounding vector control that were highlighted at the conference.
- 2. District Manager: The District Manager attended the AMCA 25th Annual Washington Conference with Trustees Aleman, and Su. He thanked the Trustees for attending and highlighted their work while in attendance. Specifically, he thanked and pointed out that Trustee Aleman led the way with scheduling/meeting the representatives for Capitol Hill Office visits.
- 3. Staff: Clerk of the Board/HR Generalist stated that the recruitment for Field Supervisor will be reopened, provided an update on new employees hired for Seasonal VCT-I, and further updated the Seasonal Lab Assistant recruitment process. The District Manager filled in for the Public Information and Technology Officer and provided information on the Riverside Insect Fair, Meet the Machines, and presentation at the City of Lake Elsinore. In addition, he provided an update on problematic email provider, selecting new email provider temporarily, analyzing costs, then placing on future agenda for Board to approve long-term.

IX. Informational:

1. Assistant District Manager/Vector Ecologist provided information on the following article:

NCEZID 2022 Accomplishments- Community Collaboration Key to Helping Decrease Mosquitoes that Spread Dengue, May 2 https://www.cdc.gov/ncezid/what-we-do/2022-highlights/mosquito-technology.html

X. Other Business:

1. The District Manager stated he is in the process of reviewing surrounding agencies Travel Policies and is currently composing a draft Travel Policy for Northwest MVCD.

XI. Adjournment:

Meeting adjourned at 3:51 p.m.

| Next regular meeting: | 3:00 p.m., | Thursday | June 1 | 5, 2023, | At 1966 | Compton | Avenue, | Corona, |
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I certify that the above minutes substantially reflect the action taken by the Board of Trustees at its meeting held on May 18, 2023.

Mark Breidenbaugh, Ph.D., District Manager

Approved as written and/or corrected by the Board of Trustees at its meeting held on June 15, 2023.

ATTEST:

Brian Tisdale, President

Dale Welty, Secretary