

**MINUTES OF THE 751st BOARD MEETING
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
NORTHWEST MOSQUITO AND VECTOR CONTROL DISTRICT**

TIME: 3:00pm, Thursday, February 24, 2022

PLACE: Northwest Mosquito and Vector Control District
1966 Compton Avenue
Corona, CA 92881

Zoom Teleconference: Meeting ID: 389 155 8737

TRUSTEES PRESENT:	Gary Bradley, Ph.D.	Riverside	President
	Brian Tisdale	Lake Elsinore	Vice President
	Clint Lorimore	Eastvale	Secretary
	Katherine Aleman	Norco	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: None

STAFF PRESENT:	Mark Breidenbaugh, Ph.D.	District Manager
	Angela Caranci, Ph.D.	Assistant Manager/Vector Ecologist
	Nikia Smith	Field Supervisor
	Eric Ballejos	Public Information & Tech. Officer
	Marian Shannon	Executive Secretary

OTHERS PRESENT: None

I. CALL TO ORDER:

President Bradley called the meeting to order at 3:00pm.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

The pledge of allegiance was led by Trustee Silva.

III. ROLL CALL AND INTRODUCTIONS:

At the time of the roll call Trustees Bradley, Su, Tisdale and Welty as well as District Manager, Field Supervisor, Public Information and Technology Officer and Executive Secretary were present in the board room. Trustee's Lorimore and Silva and Assistant Manager were present via Zoom Teleconference. Trustee Aleman joined the meeting viz Zoom after Item IV. Trustee Jimenez-Hernandez arrived during the discussion of Item VIII.C.

IV. AUTHORIZATION TO MEET VIA TELECONFERENCE:

District Manager stated Board members have been provided with updated statistics regarding the COVID-19 pandemic. Because more than 30 days have passed since the last renewal to meet via teleconference, Board must consider and take action to re-authorize the intention to meet via teleconference under AB361 guidelines.

Motion by Welty to authorize meeting via teleconference because as a result of the COVID-19 emergency, meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health and safety of attendees, and the meeting should be held by teleconference as authorized by subdivision (e)(1)(C) of section 54943 of the government code; seconded by Tisdale. Passed unanimously by roll call vote as follows; yes, by Bradley, Lorimore, Silva, Su, Tisdale and Welty.

V. PUBLIC COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS:

None.

VI. CONSENT CALENDAR:

Motion by Tisdale approve the consent calendar; second by Silva. Passed unanimously by a roll call vote as follows: yes by Aleman, Bradley, Lorimore, Silva, Su, Tisdale and Welty.

VII. PRESENTATION:

None.

VIII. ITEMS FOR ACTION:

A. Recommendation to receive and file September 2021 quarterly reports on investments.

District Manager stated the September 2021 quarterly reports are attached as Exhibit "A" and recommended that the Board receive and

file the quarterly reports from Great West/Empower, Nationwide Retirement Solutions and VCJPA District Member Contingency Fund for the quarter ending September 30, 2021.

Motion by Silva to receive and file the quarterly reports from Great West/Empower, Nationwide Retirement Solutions and VCJPA District Member Contingency Fund for the quarter ending September 30, 2021; seconded by Lorimore. Passed unanimously by roll call vote as follows; yes by Aleman, Bradley, Lorimore, Silva, Su, Tisdale and Welty.

B. Discussion on the Nomination of a Regular Special District Member of the Riverside County Local Agency Formation Commission – Western Area (LAFCO).

Board deferred discussion on this item until after Item VIII.C. District Manager stated the District received information from LAFCO regarding the nomination of a regular special district member. He pointed out that the following items were received from LAFCO pertaining to the nomination; the notice to special districts presiding officers, the call for nominations for a special district member, the nomination form, and information on the seating process for independent special districts members were provided for the Boards information and review. The district also received a request for support from the Mr. Phil Williams, who is currently serving as a special district member to LAFCO.

After discussion, motion by Tisdale to nominate Mr. Phil Williams to serve as LAFCO Regular Special District Member; seconded by Su. Passed unanimously by roll call vote as follows; yes by Aleman, Bradley, Jimenez-Hernandez, Lorimore, Silva, Su, Tisdale and Welty.

C. Discussion on LAFCO's request regarding any future changes to the District's sphere of influence (SOI).

Board discussed this item prior to Item VIII.B. District Manager stated the District received a request for information from LAFCO regarding a municipal service review and sphere of influence update. District Manager displayed a map depicting the current SOI which was last approved in October 2007 and a letter from LAFCO dated October 2008 informing the District of the SOI update which was approved the prior year. Board members discussed the issue and concurred that the districts current SOI is sufficient.

After discussion, motion by Tisdale directing District Manager to send a letter to LAFCO notifying that the District does not request any changes to the current SOI; seconded by Jimenez-Hernandez. Passed unanimously by roll call vote as follows; yes by Aleman, Bradley, Jimenez-Hernandez, Lorimore, Silva, Su, Tisdale and Welty.

Prior to Item IX. Board President asked if the newly appointed Trustee for Riverside County would introduce himself. Dr. Steven Su stated he is honored to serve on the board of trustees for the Northwest Mosquito and Vector Control District and looks forward to being a part of the team. Dr. Su was welcomed by Board members and staff.

Trustee Silva departed the meeting at 3:29, prior to Item IX.

IX. REPORTS:

A. Trustees: None.

B. District Manager: District Manager displayed an article by the California Department of Water & Power highlighting the partnership between Northwest Mosquito and Vector Control District and the City of Riverside Public Utilities Department who worked together to eliminate the mosquito issues in the downtown area of Riverside.

District Manager informed Board member that he, Assistant Manger and Field Supervisor will be attending the American Mosquito Control Association annual conference in Jacksonville, Florida February 28th through March 4th. District Manager thanked the Board for approving his prior commitment to serve as AMCA President.

C. Staff: Assistant Manager updated the Board that she has nearly completed the annual National Pollution Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) application, which allows the District to apply pesticides in waterways of the U.S., is due March 1st.

Public Information and Technology Officer thanked the Board for the opportunity to attend the Mosquito and Vector Control Association of California annual meeting in Sacramento. He further stated he would provide a report on his attendance at the next Board meeting.

X. INFORMATIONAL:

A. FPPC: Statement of Economic Interest. Due to the District by March 31, 2022. Form and reference pamphlet attached.

B. AB1234 (Ethics) and AB1825 (Sexual Harassment Prevention) training reminder. Please provide a copy of the completion certificate to the District. If training is needed, please contact Executive Secretary.

C. 50 Years Ago, Scientists Were Genetically Modifying Mosquitoes. Article attached.

D. New Research Says Mosquitoes are Most Attracted to One Color in Particular. Article attached.

XI. OTHER BUSINESS:

A. **Request for future agenda items.** Trustee Welty requested that a payroll study be added as a future agenda item for Board's discussion and consideration.

XII. ADJOURNMENT:

Meeting adjourned at 3:38pm.

Next regular meeting: 3:00pm, Thursday, March 17, 2022, 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 February 24, 2022.



Mark Breidenbaugh, Ph.D., District Manager

Approved as written and/or corrected by the Board of Trustees at its meeting held on March 17, 2022.

ATTEST:



Gary Bradley, Ph.D., President



Clint Lorimore, Secretary