

**MOSQUITO AND VECTOR MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
of Santa Barbara County
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF TRUSTEES
December 11, 2008**

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Mosquito and Vector Management District of Santa Barbara County was held at 2:00 PM, on Thursday, December 11, 2008 at the Hope School District Board Room, 3970 La Colina Road, Santa Barbara, CA.

1. ROLL CALL.

TRUSTEES PRESENT:

Larry Fausett, acting Board President
Ron Hurd, Board Secretary
Cathy Schlottmann (until 3:50P.M.)
Charles Blair
John Olson
Chris Pankau
Jonathan Cook

TRUSTEES ABSENT:

NONE

IN ATTENDANCE:

Brian Passaro, General Manager
Kenneth Learned, Vector Biologist
David Pritchett, Member of Public
Gerry Winant, Member of Public

2. CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

No changes were requested

3. STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS regarding District business.

General Manager Passaro announced that Vector Technician Trainee Donny Cram has passed 3 of the 4 certification examinations and is now a Vector Technician I. Mr. Cram will receive a salary increase retroactive to the date of the examinations.

4. CORRESPONDENCE (pg. 1)

General Manager Passaro discussed the letter from Carol Belser, General Manager of the Isla Vista Recreational and Parks District. He stated that he had spoken with Ms. Belser and that she was misinformed on the purpose of the contract and the Mosquito and Vector Management District's revenue sources. General Manager Passaro and Vector Biologist Learned will be meeting with the IVRPD after the first of the year to update the contract.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT.

Gerry Winant, a former District trustee and an Isla Vista resident, gave his perspective on the letter from Isla Vista Recreational and Parks District.

6. ITEMS OF GENERAL CONSENT. The following items are approved by a single action of the Board. Items requiring additional discussion may be withdrawn from the listing and approved in a separate action.

- A. Approval of Minutes for District's regular meeting held November 13, 2008. (pg.2)
- B. Financial Statements for County Fund 4160 for November 2008. (pg. 6)
- C. Warrant Register for November 2008. (pg. 9)
- D. Disease Surveillance Report for November 2008. (pg. 10)
- E. Monthly Service Hours for November 2008. (pg. 16)
- F. Service Request Summary for November 2008. (pg. 17)

Trustee Schlottmann asked a few questions about the Warrant Register that were answered by General Manager Passaro. There were also several questions about the graphs on the Disease Surveillance Report that were answered by Vector Biologist Learned. It was moved by Trustee Schlottmann, seconded by Trustee Olson, and passed unanimously to approve the Items of General Consent.

7. OLD BUSINESS - None

8. NEW BUSINESS

- A. **Discussion and Approval of Attendees at the MVCAC Annual Meeting.** Meeting will be held January 25-28, 2009 at the Hyatt Regency San Francisco Airport in Burlingame, CA. (pg. 18). *General Manager Passaro reported that the District's budget will allow for 4 attendees that include 2 staff members (General Manager Passaro and Vector Biologist Learned) and 2 trustees. Trustee Blair stated that he has a proposal to present an abstract poster at the meeting and would like to attend. David Pritchett stated that he would like to attend if he is re-appointed as a District Trustee. Trustee Schlottmann stated that she will be willing to attend if David is unable to, but she will be unable to attend the entire time and would need to be paid mileage to drive her personal vehicle. It was moved by Trustee Cook, seconded by Trustee Olson, and passed unanimously to approve attendance at the MVCAC Annual Meeting by General Manager Passaro, Vector Biologist Learned, Trustee Blair, and David Pritchett if he is re-appointed, but if Mr. Pritchett is not re-appointed, then Trustee Schlottmann will attend with mileage paid.*
- B. **Discussion and Approval for Trustee Blair to Attend the Southern California Vector Control Environmental Task Force Quarterly Meeting in San Diego on December 16, 2008.** Trustee Blair estimates cost of travel at \$450. (pg. 22). *It was moved by Trustee Olson, seconded by Trustee Schlottmann, and passed unanimously to approve Trustee Blair's attendance at the Task Force Meeting with travel expenses not to exceed \$450.*

- C. **Discussion and Direction Regarding Refund Checks from the VCJPA.** The District received two checks from VCJPA totaling \$5,169. These checks can be deposited in the District's VCJPA Contingency Fund or the District's General Fund. (pg. 24). *After some discussion, it was moved by Trustee Olson, seconded by Trustee Schlottmann, and passed unanimously to deposit the checks into the District's General Fund.*
- D. **Discussion and Approval for Provision of Dental and Vision Benefits to District Employees.** (pg. 25). *General Manager Passaro presented his findings on dental insurance plans with the recommendation that the District go with a plan from Delta Dental. Delta Dental is a little more expensive than the other providers, but they contract with 11 dentists within the City of Santa Barbara whereas the other plans only contract with two. Former trustee David Pritchett went on record as recommending that the Board provide dental insurance. After some discussion, it was moved by Trustee Schlottmann, seconded by Trustee Olson, and passed unanimously to approve the mid-level HMO plan from Delta Dental effective January 1, 2009. General Manager Passaro then discussed his finding that Vision Service Plan (VSP) is the only vision plan that will insure a group of fewer than 10 employees. Former trustee David Pritchett also went on record to encourage the Board to approve vision care. After some discussion, it was moved by Trustee Blair, seconded by Trustee Cook, and passed unanimously to approve VSP Plan C with a \$20/\$20 co-pay and Annual coverage for exams, frames and lenses effective January 1, 2009.*
- E. **Discussion and Approval to Close the District on Friday, December 26, 2008.** *After some discussion of the pros and cons, it was moved by Trustee Blair, seconded by Trustee Cook, and passed 6-1-0 with Trustee Schlottmann opposed, to close the District on Friday, December 26, 2008.*

9. MANAGER'S REPORT (pg. 26).

General Manager Passaro stated that he had nothing to add to the written report. David Pritchett had questions about items 2, 7, and 11, which were answered by General Manager Passaro. There was some discussion of the status of the new personnel policy. General Manager Passaro replied that he will be able to make and recommended changes to the document and have copies for the full board at next month's meeting, if the committee can return their comments by January 2nd. Committee members indicated that they will have it reviewed and back to General Manager Passaro in time for the January 2009 Board meeting.

10. TRUSTEE COMMENTS.

Trustee Blair discussed the Santa Barbara County Special Districts Association Annual Banquet that was held November 21. He reported that Carrie Troup was named accountant of the year.

Trustee Olson announced that the Goleta City Council reappointed him to another term as District Trustee from the City of Goleta, although he does have to confirm whether this is a 2 year or 4 year term. General Manager Passaro recommended that Trustee Olson ask the Goleta City Clerk to send the District a letter confirming the appointment. Trustee Olson also thanked Vector Biologist Learned for providing information and maps showing where

mosquito larvicide treatments have been performed in the Devereux Creek drainage in 2008.

Trustee Fausett asked that election of Board officers be placed on the agenda for January 2009. Nominations are to be made from the floor.

11. CLOSED SESSION – None

12. ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Trustee Blair, seconded by Trustee Olson, and passed unanimously to adjourn the meeting.

As there was no further business to be brought before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.

I certify that the above minutes substantially reflect the actions of the Board:

BY:

APPROVED:

Larry Fausett
Board Vice-president

Ron Hurd
Board Secretary