

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

April 12, 2017

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Lake County Vector Control District was called to order at 1:30 P.M. by President Giambruno.

Board Present: Rob Bostock, Curt Giambruno, Chuck Leonard, Ronald Nagy, and George Spurr.

Absent: None.

District Personnel: Jamesina J. Scott, Ph.D., Manager and Research Director, Jacinda Franusich, Office Manager, and Cassie Urquhart, Entomologist.

Guests: None.

Dr. Scott introduced the District's new Entomologist, Cassie Urquhart, to the trustees.

Mr. Leonard moved to approve the Board Minutes of March 8, 2017 with a correction to the check numbers to include checks 16687-16717 making the total expenditures for March \$137,559.35. Mr. Nagy seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Citizen's Input: None.

Agenda Additions/Deletions: None.

Research Report

Dr. Scott reported on vectorborne disease activity. No West Nile virus (WNV) activity has been detected so far this year in Lake County.

Three California counties have detected WNV in dead birds. Additionally, from January 1, 2016 through March 31, 2017 529 travel-related cases of Zika virus infection have been detected in Californians from thirty-five counties. No locally acquired Zika virus infections have been identified in California.

From January 1, 2016 through March 31, 2017 sixteen California counties reported fifty-five imported cases of chikungunya virus illness. No locally acquired cases of chikungunya virus have been reported in California.

From January 1, 2016 through March 31, 2017 thirty-one California counties reported 194 imported cases of dengue virus illness. No locally acquired cases of dengue virus have been reported in California.

No national information for West Nile, Zika, dengue or other arboviruses is available yet for 2017.

Dr. Scott reported on adult biting fly activity. Three carbon dioxide-baited traps were set near the Highland Springs Dam. Among the mosquito species collected were *Aedes bicristatus* and *Aedes sierrensis*.

A culvert in North Lakeport was sampled on four dates in March. Among the mosquito species collected were *Aedes increpitus*, *Culex stigmatosoma*, and *Culex tarsalis*.

The New Jersey Light Trap near Borax Lake collected one female *Culex tarsalis* and one male *Culiseta inornata*.

The New Jersey Light Trap in Upper Lake collected two female and one male *Culiseta inornata*.

Dr. Scott reported on tick testing. Sixteen *Ixodes pacificus* ticks that were removed from Lake County residents were submitted to the Sonoma County Public Health Laboratory for testing for *Borrelia burgdorferi*. One tick was positive and the rest were negative.

Due to inclement weather and lake conditions the lake checks were not completed in March.

Operation Report

During the month of March 2.4 inches of rainfall was recorded at the District's rain gauge. The total rainfall recorded this season is 41.5 inches.

On March 1, the level of Clear Lake was 9.89 feet on the Rumsey Gauge, which is 2.33 above the full lake level. The lake declined approximately 1.25

inches per day, dropping below flood stage (9.0 feet) on March 9. The lake was at 7.61 feet by the end of March.

On March 17, the District made an aerial application of VectoBac G to wetlands adjacent to the lake between south Lakeport and Clear Lake State Park. Additionally, parts of Anderson Marsh and an area east of Clearlake Keys were treated.

The District issued a media release on March 10 announcing the aerial application. Articles regarding the application appeared in the Lake County Record-Bee and the Lake County News. The District received two calls about the application; both were seeking information about the location of the treatments.

During March the District's website received 1,702 page loads from 1,241 visitors. The most frequently viewed pages were the Midges Information page and the Rumsey Gauge Information page.

On March 1-3 Dr. Scott and Office Manager Jacinda Franusich attended the Vector Control Joint Powers Agency (VCJPA) Annual Workshop in Walnut Creek.

Dr. Scott, Vector Control Technician Sandi Courcier, Vector Biologist Bonnie Ryan, and Entomologist Cassie Urquhart attended the Mosquito and Vector Control Association of California (MVCAC) Annual Conference on March 26-29 in Sand Diego. Ms. Courcier gave a presentation about the District's mosquitofish ponds and program.

Approve Budget Transfers

No budget transfers were required.

Approval of Checks for April 2017

Mr. Nagy moved to approve Check Nos. 16718-16764 for the month of April 2017 in the amount of \$82,665.56. Mr. Leonard seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Other Business

Mr. Bostock asked about training for the new welder that the District had recently purchased. Dr. Scott mentioned that the company the welder was purchased from does not offer training, but that the employees who will be working with the welder have had previous training.

Mr. Spurr asked whether the District was still considering having a Quilt Square installed at the Todd Road facility. Dr. Scott mentioned that she expects to bring that to the Board for consideration at a future meeting.

Announcement of the Next Board Meeting

The next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Lake County Vector Control District will be at 1:30 P.M. on May 10, 2017 in the LCVCD Board Room, 410 Esplanade, Lakeport, CA 95453.

Convene to Closed Session at 2:04 P.M.

Closes Session

Held pursuant to Government Code Section 54957: Public Employee Performance Evaluation: District Manager/Research Director.

Convene to Open Session at 2:45 P.M.

Report from Closed Session

No reportable action was taken.

Adjourn Regular Meeting

Mr. Bostock moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Leonard seconded the motion. There being no other business to discuss the meeting was adjourned by President Giamb Bruno at 2:47 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronald Nagy
Secretary