

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

June 12, 2019

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Lake County Vector Control District was called to order at 1:34 P.M. by President Giambruno.

Board Present: Curt Giambruno, Rob Bostock, Chuck Leonard (arrived at 1:38 PM), Ron Nagy, and George Spurr.

Absent: None.

District Personnel: Jamesina Scott, Ph.D., Manager and Research Director, and Ms. Jacinda Franusich, Office Manager.

Guests: None.

Citizen's Input: None.

Agenda Additions/Deletions: None.

Approve Minutes of May 8, 2019 Regular Meeting

Mr. Spurr moved to approve the Board Minutes of May 8, 2019 with a correction to the check numbers to include checks 18462-18481 making the total for May 2019 \$82,664.41. Mr. Bostock seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Research Report

Dr. Scott reported on vectorborne virus activity. There has been no West Nile virus (WNV) activity in Lake County in 2019. Six dead birds have been reported in Lake County. One bird was submitted for testing, and results are pending.

For the rest of California, WNV has been detected in one dead bird from San Diego County. Forty-one mosquito samples have tested positive for West Nile virus as well.

Dr. Scott reported on adult biting fly activity. During May, carbon dioxide-baited traps were set in various locations around the county. The most abundant mosquitoes species collected were *Aedes increpitus* and *Aedes sierrensis*.

During May, the New Jersey Light Trap near Borax Lake collected five mosquito species. Additionally, the New Jersey Light Trap in Upper Lake collected six mosquito species

The resting boxes in Kelseyville, Lakeport, and Upper Lake were sampled in May. Seven mosquito species were collected.

Dr. Scott reported on tick testing. Twenty *Ixodes pacificus* ticks that were removed from Lake County residents have been submitted to the Sonoma County Public Health Laboratory for testing for *Borrelia burgdorferi*. Nineteen ticks were negative, and results are pending for the most recent submission.

Dr. Scott reported on Clear Lake gnat, Chironominae, and Tanypodinae surveillance in Clear Lake. In the Upper Arm, Clear Lake gnat numbers increased from 0.11 larvae per dredge in April to 0.21 larvae per dredge in May. Chironominae numbers increased from 21.04 larvae per dredge in April to 24.04 larvae per dredge in May. Tanypodinae numbers increased from 1.07 larvae per dredge in April to 6.75 larvae per dredge in May.

Operation Report

The rain gauge at the LCVCD office in Lakeport recorded 2.73 inches of rainfall in May. Total rainfall for the season is at 39.56 inches.

The level of Clear Lake on May 1 was at 7.60 feet on the Rumsey Gauge and dropped to 7.55 feet by May 31.

The District responded to 1,310 service requests in May, which is the third highest total on record for May. One hundred five service requests were submitted online through the District's website in May. This is the second highest number of online service requests received in one month.

District Entomologist Cassie Urquhart and District Vector Biologist Michelle Koschik attended the bottle bioassay workshop at Sacramento/Yolo Mosquito and Vector Control District in Elk Grove.

Ms. Victoria Donnelly was hired as a Seasonal Assistant in May. Ms. Donnelly will provide assistance with the telephone, laboratory and mosquito control work until she returns to college in August. Additionally, Ms. Samantha Brassfield returned to work full-time as a Seasonal Lab Assistant. Ms. Brassfield will return to college in August as well.

The Lake County First 5 Commission used the District's conference room on May 10 for two hours. They enjoyed the space and thanked the District for the use of the room.

On May 13, District employees received their annual heat illness prevention and safety training. This training is required by the California Division of Occupational Safety and Health.

On May 4, Vector Biologist Michelle Koschik represented the District at the Lake County Land Trust Art and Nature Day at the Rodman Preserve and Nature Center in Upper Lake.

On May 9, Dr. Scott attended the Invasive Weeds Tour at Anderson Marsh State Historic Park. The tour was jointly sponsored by the Lake County Department of Agriculture and the Lake County Resource Conservation District.

Consideration of Resolution No. 19-03 Resolution of Intention to Levy Annual Assessment, Preliminarily Accepting Engineer's Report and Scheduling of Public Hearing

After some discussion, Mr. Bostock moved to approve Resolution No. 19-03 Resolution of Intention to Levy Annual Assessment, Preliminarily Accepting Engineer's Report and Scheduling of Public Hearing. Mr. Leonard seconded the motion. Motion carried with a unanimous roll call vote as follows: Five in favor (Mr. Giambruno, Mr. Spurr, Mr. Nagy, Mr. Leonard, and Mr. Bostock).

Consideration of Resolution No. 19-04 Resolution Establishing the 2019-2020 Proposition 4 Appropriations Limit

After some discussion, Mr. Leonard moved to approve Resolution No. 19-04 Resolution Establishing the 2019-2020 Proposition 4 Appropriations Limit. Mr. Spurr seconded the motion. Motion carried with a unanimous roll call vote as follows: Five in favor (Mr. Bostock, Mr. Giambruno, Mr. Leonard, Mr. Nagy, and Mr. Spurr).

Discussion and Consideration of Request by Open Bible Christian Center for Removal of the Benefit Assessment Roll

In May the District received a letter from Bowman & Berreth Attorneys and Counselors At Large. The letter was sent on behalf of their client Open Bible Christian Center, and requested that the client be removed from the District's Benefit Assessment.

Dr. Scott forwarded the letter to SCI, (the firm that administers the benefit assessment), the District's legal counsel, California Special Districts Association, and the Mosquito and Vector Control Association of California.

After some discussion, Mr. Leonard moved to direct the District Manager to send a brief letter to Bowman & Berreth rejecting Open Bible Christian Center's request to be removed from the benefit assessment. Mr. Nagy seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Approve Budget Transfers

Mr. Leonard moved to approve the budget transfer from 90.91 Contingencies in the amount of \$4,100 to 2.22 PERS-Employer in the amount of \$500, 17.00 Maintenance of Equipment in the amount of \$1,400, 19.40 Laboratory Supplies in the amount of \$1,900, and 22.70 Office Expense in the amount \$300. Mr. Bostock seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Approve Checks for the Month of June 2019

Mr. Nagy moved to approve Check Nos. 18482–18545 for the month of June 2019 in the amount of \$108,553.18. Mr. Spurr seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Other Business

Dr. Scott mentioned that in 2018, Governor Jerry Brown signed Senate Bill 1343. The bill expanded harassment prevention training requirements to mandate a minimum of one hour of training every two years for nonsupervisory employees. The initial training must occur between January 1 and December 31, 2019.

To comply with the new requirements for non-supervisory employees, the District has scheduled a joint workshop with the City of Clearlake for July 16, 2019 from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM in the Clearlake City Council Chambers.

District Trustees are encouraged to attend the training as the new law can be interpreted that supervisory employees also need to be retrained between

January 1 and December 31, 2019 even if they have already completed the same training in 2018.

Announcement of the Next Regular 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 July 10, 2019 in the LCVCD Board Room, 410 Esplanade, Lakeport, CA 95453.

Mr. Spurr moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Nagy seconded the motion. There being no other business the meeting was adjourned by President Giambruno at 2:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronald Nagy
Secretary