

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

March 11, 2020

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Lake County Vector Control District was called to order at 1:43 P.M. by President Giambruno.

Board Present: Curt Giambruno, Ron Nagy, Chuck Leonard, and George Spurr.

Absent: Rob Bostock (excused).

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

Guests: None.

Citizen's Input: None.

Agenda Additions and/or Deletions: None.

Mr. Leonard moved to approve the minutes of the February 12, 2020 Regular Meeting. Mr. Nagy seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Research Report

Dr. Scott reported on vectorborne virus activity. No West Nile virus activity has been reported for Lake County in 2020.

In the rest of California, one dead bird collected in Santa Clara County in February has tested positive for West Nile virus.

Dr. Scott reported on mosquito and biting fly surveillance. One carbon dioxide-baited trap was set in the City of Clearlake during February. No mosquitoes were collected.

No resting box collections were made during February.

The New Jersey Light Trap set in Upper Lake collected 29 female and 2 male *Culiseta inornata*. In addition, the NJLT set near Borax Lake collected three female *Culiseta inornata* and three female *Culex tarsalis*.

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

Dr. Scott reported on Clear Lake gnat, Chironominae, and Tanypodinae surveillance in Clear Lake. In the Upper Arm Clear Lake gnat numbers decreased from 1.50 larvae per dredge in January to 1.14 larvae per dredge in February. Chironominae numbers decreased from 28.64 larvae per dredge in January to 9.43 larvae per dredge in February. Tanypodinae numbers decreased from 15.00 larvae per dredge in January to 12.57 larvae per dredge in February.

Operation Report

No rainfall was recorded at the LCVCD office in Lakeport during February.

On February 1, the level of Clear Lake was 4.51 feet in the Rumsey Gauge. On February 29, the lake was at 4.58 feet.

District Vector Control Technicians have been working on a variety of projects in preparation for the upcoming mosquito season. Projects include annual maintenance of application equipment and vehicles, and the pouring of a concrete foundation for the sentinel chicken coop located Lower Lake.

The District's side-by-side was delivered in February. The Technicians will install application equipment and make other necessary modifications.

On February 28 the District's conference room was used by Lake County Administrative and Community Development Departments for a meeting with state representatives to discuss a grant related to the damage from the Mendocino Complex Fire.

The District's Entomologist, Cassie Urquhart, has been invited to give a presentation regarding ticks and tick-borne diseases at the regional continuing education session this spring.

Dr. Scott attended the California Special District Association's Annual Employment Law Update Webinar on February 4.

On February 5-7, Dr. Scott attended the Employment Risk Management Agency (ERMA) Annual Workshop in Santa Cruz. Dr. Scott is the alternate board member on ERMA for the Vector Control Joint Powers Agency (VCJPA).

Dr. Scott and Office Manager Jacinda Fransich attended the Vector Control Joint Powers Agency Annual Workshop and Board Meeting in Santa Cruz on February 26-28.

Dr. Scott attended the Pacific Southwest Regional Center of Excellence in Vector-Borne Diseases (PacVec) at UC Riverside on February 19-20.

Declaration of Surplus Property: Front Office Reception Desk and L-Work Station Desk

After some discussion, Mr. Spurr moved to declare the front office reception desk and L-work station desk surplus property. Mr. Nagy seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Approve Checks for the Month of March 2020

Mr. Nagy moved to approve Checks No. 19065-19123 for the month of March 2020 in the amount of \$86,735.53. Mr. Spurr seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Other Business: Consideration of Ballot for Independent Special District Representative to Serve on the Lake County Redevelopment Oversight Committee

No action was taken on this item.

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 PM on April 8, 2020 in the LCVCD Board Room, 410 Esplanade, Lakeport, CA 95453.

Mr. Nagy moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Spurr seconded the motion. There being no other business to discuss the meeting was adjourned by President Giamb Bruno at 2:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronald Nagy
Secretary