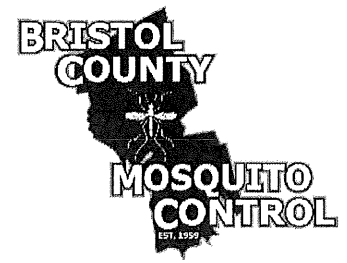


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Date: 1/17/2024

Attendance: Assistant Chair Christine Fagan and Commissioner Greg Dorrance in person; Commissioner Dr. Henry Vaillancourt via conference call; Superintendent Priscilla Matton and Entomologist Todd Duval in person.

Assistant Chair Christine Fagan called the meeting to order at 7:00am with Roll Call: Christine Fagan, present: Greg Dorrance, present: Dr. Henry Vaillancourt, present.

MINUTES:

MOTION made by Greg Dorrance to accept the minutes of the December 11, 2023 meeting. Seconded: Henry Vaillancourt. No further discussion, motion passes via roll call unanimously, 3-0.

FY 25 BUDGET REQUEST:

Superintendent Matton updated the Commissioners on a change to BCMCP's budget request of level funding. Office of Vehicle Management updated BCMCP about an electric vehicle F150 Lightning that was authorized for the Project. This new truck lease and additional charging infrastructure has changed the fiscal landscape. BCMCP is now requesting a 2.5% increase to FY 24 to absorb the unexpected cost. Discussion ensued about the viability of an electric vehicle and whether it would meet the functions of BCMCP.

MOTION made by Henry Vaillancourt to support a 2.5% budget increase for FY25. Seconded: Greg Dorrance. No further discussion, motion passes via roll call unanimously, 3-0.

PCMCP AND BCMCP SHARED SERVICES:

Superintendent Matton updated the Commissioners on continued shared services between the two mosquito control projects. Plymouth County would like to use BCMCP's John Deere 50 excavator for a few months to complete mechanized water management projects. The two Projects worked with MDAR legal to complete all necessary paperwork, and all is in order.

MOTION made by Henry Vaillancourt to accept the report and confirmed MDAR and legal have approved the exchange. Seconded: Christine Fagan. No further discussion, motion passes via roll call unanimously, 3-0.

ENTOMOLOGY END OF THE SEASON REPORT:

Entomologist Duval provided a copy of the report via email. Commissioners expressed their appreciation and excellent work on the final report.

CX. SALINARIUS CONTROL PROJECT:

Entomologist Duval and Foreman John Moniz put together multiple ideas on controlling *Cx. salinarius* in a small swamp in Easton. This is the same site that produces large amounts of *Cq. perturbans* in July but switches to *Cx. salinarius* in August. This species is important because it serves as a WNV and EEE bridge vector. Possible control measures included using a helicopter, Argo, drones, backpack, and hand applications. Discussion ensued on the different options, their feasibility and fiscal cost. Using a backpack from an Argo was the most fiscal and feasible option and will be explored further.

NJMCA TRAVEL REQUEST:

Superintendent Matton requested travel approval for work time only to attend the NJMCA meeting in March. Ms. Matton is the North Atlantic Regional Director for AMCA and presenting a paper at the meeting.

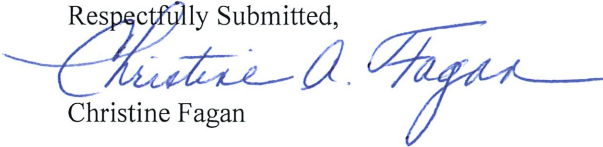
MOTION made by Greg Dorrance to grant approval for travel to the NJMCA conference as it is a benefit to Superintendent Matton's job and responsibilities. Seconded: Henry Vaillancourt. No further discussion, motion passes unanimously via roll call, 3-0.

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday February 14, 2024, at Project Headquarters at 7:00am

ADJOURN:

There being no further business to discuss, Henry Vaillancourt made a **MOTION** to adjourn the meeting at 7:48am. Seconded: Greg Dorrance. No further discussion, motion passes unanimously via roll call, 3-0.

Respectfully Submitted,



Christine Fagan