

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts State Reclamation and Mosquito Control Board

Bristol County Mosquito Control Project

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SUPERINTENDENT PRISCILLA MATTON, M.S.

Date: 12/13/2022

Attendance: Assistant Chair Christine Fagan and Commissioner Greg Dorrance in person; Chair Joseph Barile and Commissioner Dr. Henry Vaillancourt via conference call; Superintendent Priscilla Matton and Wetland Coordinator Diana Brennan in person.

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

MINUTES:

MOTION made by Henry Vaillancourt to accept the minutes of the November 15, 2022 meeting. Seconded: Greg Dorrance. No further discussion, motion passes via roll call unanimously, 4-0.

REVIEW OF SRB MEETING:

Commissioner Vaillancourt attended both SRB meetings and reported on the agenda. SRB did a quick FY24 budget review for the MCPs, discussed right sizing the fleet and interviewed a new Plymouth County Commissioner. The SRB will discuss the request for an increase to the Commissioner's stipend later.

REVIEW UPDATED SRB OVERVIEW OF ROLES AND RESPONSIBILIES OF COMMISSIONERS:

No discussion, all Commissioners signed the document. However, a section of the document relates to employee reviews and the Commission asked Superintendent Matton to discuss further at the next meeting.

VEHICLE UTILIZATION AND ELECTRIC VEHICLES:

As discussed at the SRB meeting, Commissioner Vaillancourt reported the state is moving forward with the policy while there are many questions left unanswered. How the policy will be implemented and infrastructure changes to the rental facility are still being worked out. The Commission feels strongly that this policy will negatively affect the services we can provide to our member municipalities. Battery life and the size and scope of the work BCMCP performs throughout the County is a serious concern. The Commission requested a review by the Attleboro Fire Department regarding charging stations inside a building that houses pesticides and any concerns or restrictions.

WATER MANAGEMENT UPDATE:

Wetlands Coordinator Diana Brennan provided a written update to the Commission on completed and scheduled water management work. In 2022, 25 machine jobs were completed and 10 jobs scheduled for 2023. Ms. Brennan presented the runnel project at the NMCA meeting. She recognized her co-workers and their hard work all year long. She also provided additional projects following a discussion with the field technicians to help spend their time more efficiently. This will be discussed further with the Superintendent.

AMCA TRAVEL REQUEST:

Superintendent Matton requested travel approval to the AMCA meeting in February/March. Ms. Matton is the North Atlantic Regional Director for AMCA, organizing the Trustee's tour at the University of Nevada Reno and is presenting a paper at the meeting.

MOTION made by Henry Vaillancourt to grant approval and support for travel to the AMCA conference as it is a benefit to Superintendent Matton's job and responsibilities. Seconded: Greg Dorrance. No further discussion, motion passes unanimously via roll call, 4-0.

NEW BUSINESS:

Superintendent Matton reported the Northeastern Mosquito Control Association held its first in person meeting since 2019. The meeting was a success with over 174 attendees and pesticide credits offered.

NEXT MEETING: Tuesday January 17, 2023 at Project Headquarters at 7:00am

ADJOURN:

There being no further business to discuss, Christine Fagan made a MOTION to adjourn the meeting at 7:50am. Seconded: Greg Dorrance. No further discussion, motion passes unanimously via roll call, 4-0.

Respectfully Submitted

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