



The Commonwealth of Massachusetts
State Reclamation and Mosquito Control Board



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PRISCILLA MATTON, M.S.

Date: 4/23/2024

Attendance: Chair Joseph Barile, Commissioners Christine Fagan and Greg Dorrance in person; and Commissioner Dr. Henry Vaillancourt via conference call; Superintendent Priscilla Matton 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 Greg Dorrance to accept the minutes of the March 18, 2024 meeting. Seconded: Christine Fagan. No further discussion, motion passes unanimously via roll call, 4-0.

SRMCB MEETING REVIEW:

Commissioners Vaillancourt, Dorrance and Fagan reviewed the events of the meeting including an agreement with the New England Center for Excellence mosquito testing, electric vehicles and working with DOER for funding on lease facilities.

SPRING AERIAL LARVICIDE UPDATE:

Superintendent Matton provided an update on spring aerial larvicide. North Fork Helicopters completed the treatment of the *Cq. perturbans* cattail marsh in Easton on April 17, 2024. Unfortunately, Plymouth County had mechanical issues with their plane and was unable to make the applications on Bristol's behalf. A new vendor, Charles Webber d/b/a Rebecca Lynn was placed on contract due to the hard work of Superintendent Ross Rossetti (Plymouth County). Estimated date of application is the week of April 22nd. The estimated cost will be twice as much as budgeted. Plymouth is still scheduled to make the methoprene application in May.

FIELD UPDATE:

Hand larvicide applications started and reports of plenty of larvae in the field. Seasonal office assistant Theresa Beale started Monday. Superintendent Matton reported public relation events have increased significantly this year, to pre-Covid levels. These include table events, presentations, and public meetings. The EV truck is being upfitted and should be available to the Project soon.

Commissioner Dorrance left the meeting- 7:20am.

NJMCA REVIEW:

The meeting was well attended with multiple presentations on water management, products, and ticks.

NEW BUSINESS:

Superintendent Matton reminded the Commissioners of required HR training on MassAchieve.

Chair Barile stated that he will compose an email to HR regarding the Commission's request to update a position for the wetland's coordinator duties. Since there has been no action from HR in almost a year, the Commission will discuss options at next month's meeting.

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday May 29, 2024, at Project Headquarters at 7:00am

ADJOURN:

There being no further business to discuss, Christine Fagan made a **MOTION** to adjourn the meeting at 7:41am. Seconded: Henry Vaillancourt. No further discussion, motion passes unanimously via roll call, 3-0.

Respectfully Submitted,



Gregory Dorrance