

# THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS STATE RECLAMATION AND MOSQUITO CONTROL BOARD

# BRISTOL COUNTY MOSQUITO CONTROL PROJECT

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Date: 10/6/2025

Attendance: Commissioners Christine Fagan in person; Dr. Henry Vaillancourt, Greg Dorrance and Joseph Carvalho via conference call; Superintendent Priscilla Matton in person.

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

#### MINUTES:

**MOTION** made by Henry Vaillancourt to accept the minutes of the September 8, 2025 meeting. Seconded: Joseph Carvalho. No further discussion, motion passes unanimously via roll call, 4-0.

### LEASE UPDATE:

Superintendent Matton had a Teams call with Peter Woodford from Department of Capital Asset Management and Maintenance (DCAMM) following the closing of the lease bid process. Two bids were received and based on DCAMM's recommendation our current location's bid was accepted. There will be no base rate change per month but an additional cost to cover the infrastructure necessary to comply with electric vehicle chargers. The lease will be processed by DCAMM and the State Reclamation on Mosquito Control Board on BCMCPs behalf. The lease will be for an additional 10-year term.

**MOTION** made by Henry Vaillancourt to accept the recommendation of DCAMM and renew the lease at our current location for an additional 10 years. Seconded: Christine Fagan. No further discussion, motion passes unanimously via roll call, 4-0.

### RETIREMENT:

Superintendent Matton reported that long-time employee Drew Bushee has retired from the Project effective 10/4/2025. Mr. Bushee has served in many roles over his 25+ years of service to the residents of Bristol County. Chair Fagan will write a letter of appreciation to Mr. Bushee to thank him for his years of dedication.

Further discussion was given on ideas to replace the position as a heavy equipment operator and what licenses and requirements will be needed. Discussion will continue at the next Commission meeting.

## **FY27 BUDGET REQUEST:**

Superintendent Matton requested additional time on preparing a budget request and a potential increase for FY27. Multiple factors including a new lease with additional cost, increase in electricity and natural gas as well as updating electric vehicles are all concerns for next fiscal. Retirement payouts that were not projected in FY25 or FY26 have decreased rollover each year. A minimum of a 2.5% increase may not be sufficient to cover the additional cost. Discussion ensued about requesting an increase to FY27 that covered the general expenses without relying on the rollover amounts if they are kept to a minimum. Discussion will continue at the next Commission meeting.

### FIELD UPDATE:

Entomologist Todd Duval continues to provide his weekly report via email. BCMCP has suspended testing of mosquito samples for the season. Trapping will continue for an additional week. Adulticide application ended on September 12, 2026. Field staff have transitioned over to water management for the fall/winter season. A total of 11 EEE positive mosquitoes and 37 WNV positive mosquitoes were detected in the County.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Superintendent Matton provided the date of the next State Reclamation on Mosquito Control Board meeting on October 27, 2025, at 11am.

NEXT MEETING: Monday November 17, 2025, at Project Headquarters at 7:00am

#### ADJOURN:

There being no further business to discuss, Greg Dorrance made a **MOTION** to adjourn the meeting at 7:23am. Seconded: Joseph Carvalho. No further discussion, motion passes unanimously via roll call, 4-0.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Christine Fagan