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Date: 3/12/2025

Attendance: Commissioner Christine Fagan in person; and Chair Joseph Barile, Dr. Henry Vaillancourt and Joseph Carvalho via conference call; Superintendent Priscilla Matton in person.

Chair Barile called the meeting to order at 7:02am with Roll Call: Joe Barile, present: Christine Fagan, present: Dr. Henry Vaillancourt, present: Joseph Carvalho, present.

MINUTES:

MOTION made by Christine Fagan to accept the minutes of the February 13, 2025 meeting. Seconded: Henry Vaillancourt. No further discussion, motion passes unanimously via roll call, 4-0.

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT POSITION:

Superintendent Matton conducted interviews with Foreman John Moniz and Caitlin Barrett (Cape Cod Admin Assistant) on Tuesday March 11, 2025. All support a recommendation to the Commission to offer the position to Theresa Beale and a proposed hourly rate. Discussion ensued regarding position and salary.

MOTION made by Henry Vaillancourt to offer the administrative assistant position to Theresa Beale at a step 4 on the salary scale. Seconded: Christine Fagan. No further discussion, motion passes unanimously via roll call, 4-0.

REMOTE PARTICIPATION:

Superintendent Matton updated the Commission on the ending status of the remote participation allowance. The Governor must extend the order which expires at the end of March to allow for full remote participation. BCMCP has a policy in place that allows for remote participation if a quorum in person is reached. As more information is available, the Commission will be updated.

SPRING AERIAL LARVICIDE UPDATE:

Superintendent Matton provided an update on spring aerial larvicide plans. Plymouth County will provide the fixed wing plane services this season. North Fork Helicopters provided a quote for services to treat the Cq. perturbans cattail marsh in Easton and is the same as last year. Pesticides have been purchased and are in place.

Legal notice, FAA's congestive flight plan and board of health and SRMCB notices have been completed. Weather permitting applications will begin in mid-April. Hand larviciding is scheduled to begin April 7, 2025.

AMCA REVIEW:

Superintendent Matton described the AMCA annual scientific conference as well attended and educational. Drones and pesticide products were big topics as new advances are being made. Ms. Matton presented a paper and participated in the young professionals' group on career development. AMCA released a new public relations campaign that is available and free to anyone.

NEXT MEETING: Thursday April 24, 2025, at Project Headquarters at 8:30am

ADJOURN:

There being no further business to discuss, Christine Fagan made a **MOTION** to adjourn the meeting at 7:32am. Seconded: Henry Vaillancourt. No further discussion, motion passes unanimously via roll call, 4-0.

Respectfully Submitted,

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