

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS THE STATE RECLAMATION & MOSQUITO CONTROL BOARD



PIONEER VALLEY MOSQUITO CONTROL DISTRICT

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Meeting Minutes of the Pioneer Valley Mosquito Control District (PVMCD)

Northampton Senior Center

67 Conz Street. Northampton, MA 01060 1/25/2019

Attendance:

Jeanne Galloway, Greg Lewis, Aimee M. Petrosky, Carolyn S. Ness, Alisha Bouchard, Jessica Burgess, Juan Carlos Gutierrez.

1. Call to Order:

Pioneer Valley Mosquito Control District Commission Chair, Jeanne Galloway, calls the meeting to order at 1:02 pm. Jeanne Galloway noted the Board has a quorum physically present, with 1 members participating remotely in accordance with the Open Meeting Law as previously adopted. Because of this all, votes will be taken by roll call.

Ms. Galloway read a roll call:

Commissioner Ness "Here". (Participating Remotely) Commissioner Galloway "Here". Commissioner Petrosky "Here". Commissioner Lewis "Here".

2. **Public Comment/Output:**

There are no comments provided at this time.

3. **PVMCD Updates:**

Greg Lewis is working with DPH regarding the Pioneer Valley Mosquito Control District Maps. Jeanne Galloway informs the commission the town of Palmer is looking to add money to the Pioneer Valley Mosquito Control District trust fund.

At this time, the commissioners will work individually to recruit new cities and towns. The following terms will be presented:

Buy in minimum 5 K per year, for 3 year commitment will get cities and towns 36 traps annually, administrative and overhead fees, weekly SRB mosquito reporting for each community from June through September, a yearend report annual, testing of mosquitos to identify species, population levels, and disease. Emergency services will be available to member communities if the need should arise. District will work to identify additional services and cost that would need to be appropriated voluntary if selected.

Action Taken: Greg Lewis made a motion to accept these terms and use them for recruitment. Aimee Petrosky seconded the motion.

Commissioner Ness "No". (Participating Remotely) Commissioner Galloway "Aye". Commissioner Petrosky "Aye". Commissioner Lewis "Aye".

Motion passed 3-1.

SRMCB staff will start working on a RFI for mosquito control services and communicate with Greg Lewis during the process. **Action Taken:** Aimee Petrosky made a motion to authorize SRMCB staff to work directly with Greg Lewis. Greg Lewis seconded the motion.

Commissioner Ness "Aye". (Participating Remotely) Commissioner Galloway "Aye". Commissioner Petrosky "Aye". Commissioner Lewis "Aye".

Motion passed 4-0.

4. **HR Updates:**

Jessica Burgess and Juan Carlos Gutierrez informed the commission that the current financial state of the District cannot sustain a full time superintendent while also conducting mosquito control. At this moment, the District has to go back and think how to spend the money wisely. The SRMCB staff will work on a job description while the commission can come to a decision.

Juan Carlos Gutierrez will start working on the new job description and communicate with Aimee Petrosky during the process. **Action Taken:** Greg Lewis made a motion to authorize Juan Carlos Gutierrez to work directly with Aimee Petrosky. Aimee Petrosky seconded the motion.

Commissioner Ness "Aye". (Participating Remotely) Commissioner Galloway "Aye". Commissioner Petrosky "Aye". Commissioner Lewis "Aye". Motion passed 4-0.

- 8. **Date, time and location of next Commission meeting:** 2/21/19, 9:00AM, Northampton Senior Center. 67 Conz Street. Northampton, MA 01060
- 9. **Adjournment:** Action Taken: Aimee Petrosky made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Greg Lewis seconded the motion. Motion passed 4-0 Meeting adjourned at 3:15PM.