

## THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS STATE RECLAMATION AND MOSQUITO CONTROL BOARD



## PIONEER VALLEY MOSQUITO CONTROL DISTRICT

Commissioners
Jeanne Galloway – Chair
Gregory Lewis
Merridith O'Leary
Carolyn Ness
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## Notice of a Public Meeting of the Pioneer Valley Mosquito Control District Commission

Date: Monday, March 8th 2021

**Time:** 2:00pm

**Location:** Virtual (due to the COVID-19 Pandemic) – Public welcome to join at: <u>meet.google.com/dex-zzdw-uif</u> or by phone at: <u>1-567-707-0188</u> (PIN: 730643009)

- 1. Call to Order and Attendance
  - a Aimee Petrosky, Carolyn Ness, Greg Lewis, and Jeanne Galloway in attendance
- 2. Public Comment/Output
  - a Kimberly O'Brien joined as an interested member of the public, she expressed her interest in observing the public meeting process.
- 3. Approval of meeting minutes (vote required)
  - a Motion to approve the minutes from the 2/8/21 meeting from Carolyn with a second by Greg.
  - b Motion passed 4-0.
- 4. Recap of DCAMM Conversation with Alisha
  - a Greg and Chris detailed a conversation between held with MDAR's Alisha Bouchard. Topics discussed included:
    - Describing the difficult situation of being unable to expand the district without a physical location and the limits to acquire a space
    - ii Discussing strategies to solve short term goals such as vehicle placement without our own location
    - iii Providing an earmark for the PVMCD for supplementary funds particularly for space needs

- iv Requesting leniency from OVM due to our "startup" nature
- 5. Planning for the 2021 Surveillance Season
  - a Chris described necessary next steps for the 2021 surveillance season. Plans are made to have the vehicle inspected and oil changed.
  - b The feasibility of hiring a seasonal staff was discussed as well as the specific limitations for the possibility.
- 6. Discussion of E&R Grant Prospect
  - a Based on discussions in the subcommittee and the conversation with Alisha, it was decided that pursuing an earmark was a more worthwhile venture as the likelihood of receiving an E&R was low.
- 7. Other Business
  - a No other business discussed.
- 8. Date, Time, and Location of Next Commission Meeting
  - a Monday April 12<sup>th</sup> at 2pm.
- 9. Adjournment
  - a Motion to adjourn by Greg, second by Carolyn. Passed 4-0.