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MOSQUITO CONTROL PROJECTS & DISTRICTS

Berkshire County Mosquito
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Bristol County Mosquito
Control Project

Cape Cod Mosquito
Control Project

Central Massachusetts
Mosquito Control Project

East Middlesex Mosquito
Control Project

Nantucket Mosquito Control
Project

Norfolk County Mosquito
Control District

Northeast Massachusetts
Mosquito & Wetland
Management District

Pioneer Valley Mosquito
Control District

Plymouth County Mosquito
Control Project

Suffolk County Mosquito
Control Project

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Meeting Minutes of the State Reclamation and Mosquito Control Board (SRMCB)

Richard Cronin Building
1 Rabbit Hill Road, Westborough, MA 01581
10/17/2018

Board Members in Attendance:

Taryn LaScola, Chairwoman, Gary Gonyea, Jim Straub

- 1. Call to Order:** Taryn LaScola, representing Commissioner Lebeaux called the meeting to order at 9:58 am.
- 2. Attendance:** Chairwoman LaScola noted the Board has a quorum.
- 3. Public Comment/Input Period:** No comments heard.
- 4. Approval of Meeting Minutes:**

The Board considered approval for the meeting minutes from the August 8th, 2018 Board meetings. **Action Taken:** Gary Gonyea made a motion to approve the meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Jim Straub and the minutes are voted for approval.

5. FY20 Budget requests:

- a. Berkshire County Mosquito Control Project-** Project is requesting a FY20 budget of 275,325.00.
- b. Bristol County Mosquito Control Project –** Project is requesting a FY20 budget of \$1,532,339.00

- c. **Cape Cod Mosquito Control Project-** Project is requesting a FY20 budget of \$ 2,390,251.39.
- d. **Central Massachusetts Mosquito Control Project:** Project is requesting a FY20 budget of \$2,577,745.00.
- e. **Norfolk County Mosquito Control Project:** Project is requesting a FY20 budget of \$1,933,941.00.
- f. **Northeast Massachusetts Mosquito Control and Wetland Management Project:** Project is requesting a FY20 budget of \$1,777,450.00.
- g. **Pioneer Valley Mosquito Control District:** Project is requesting a budget of \$151,210.00.
- h. **Plymouth County Mosquito Control Project:** Project is requesting a FY20 budget of \$1,896,763.70.
- i. **Suffolk County Mosquito Control Project:** Project is requesting a FY20 budget of \$ 289,860.16.
- j. **East Middlesex Mosquito Control Project:** Project is requesting a FY20 budget of \$755,120.39.
- k. **State Reclamation and Mosquito Control Board Administration:** requests a FY20 budget of \$560,815.42.

6. Legal Updates:

Attorney Jessica Burgess provided the Board and participants inquiries regarding the MOU between DFW and MDAR.

7. Berkshire County Mosquito Control Project's Letter of Support:

Chris Horton would like to board to emphasize the support for adulting. It is important to educate on the misconception of adult mosquito control spraying. Taryn LaScola requested that everyone in the room who had comments, to send them to Juan.

8. Regional updates:

- a. Central Mass Project – there were 5 human cases of West Nile Virus in the District. The integration of the city of Worcester is going well and the new technology has been positively implemented.

- b. Berkshire County Project– busy season for West Nile Virus.
- c. Northeast Mass Project – project had 18 positive hits on West Nile Virus. The District responded to more than 1,500 adulticide requests and a little under 16,000 catch basins were treated. The District conducted a major public education outreach, collaborating with the town of Winthrop, to discuss problems with mosquitoes.
- d. Bristol County Project – The District informed the board that source and tire reduction is working well.

9. Date, time and location of next board meeting and the 2019 quarterly meeting dates:

- a) **Wednesday, January 16th, 2019 @ Richard Cronin Building**
1 Rabbit Hill Road, Westborough, MA 01581
- b) **Wednesday, March 20st, 2019 @ Richard Cronin Building**
1 Rabbit Hill Road, Westborough, MA 01581
- c) **Wednesday, May 15th, 2019 @ Richard Cronin Building**
1 Rabbit Hill Road, Westborough, MA 01581
- d) **Wednesday, October 16th, 2019 @ Richard Cronin Building**
1 Rabbit Hill Road, Westborough, MA 01581

10. Adjournment: Action Taken: Mr. Gonyea made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Jim Straub. The Board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 11:23am.