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

251 Causeway Street, Suite 500
Boston, MA 02114

03/29/2018

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 10:00 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 October 18th, 2017 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. Berkshire County Mosquito Control District: Town of Lanesboro membership approval (Vote Required)**
The Board considered approval of the Town of Lanesboro's membership to the Berkshire Country Mosquito Control District. **Action Taken:** Jim Straub made a motion to approve Lanesboro's membership to the Berkshire County Mosquito Control District. The motion was seconded by Gary Gonyea and the membership is voted for approval.

6. Pioneer Valley Mosquito Control District (Vote Required):

General Council, Jessica Burgess and Operations Coordinator, Juan Carlos Gutierrez presented the board information regarding the status of the Pioneer Valley Mosquito Control District. **Discussion:** General Council Burgess explained to the Board that towns around the Pioneer Valley region were hesitant to sign up for a period of three years. General Council Burgess recommended the board to allow for a initial 1 year membership to allow cities and towns to join, allowing for this time to conduct surveillance, data collection, and provide results of the effort at the end of the period. After this introductory period, cities and towns will only be allowed to sign up for a 3 year membership. **Action Taken:** Gary Gonyea made a motion to allow a 1 year period membership for new towns joining the Pioneer Valley Mosquito Control district; the board supports longer memberships but understands the hesitation of communities. The motion was seconded by Jim Straub. The Board voted unanimously.

7. Next Board Meeting: The next SRB meeting is scheduled for 10:00am on Wednesday, May 16th, 2018 @ Richard Cronin Building
1 Rabbit Hill Road, Westborough, MA 01581

8. 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 10:50am.