

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE TULARE
MOSQUITO ABATEMENT DISTRICT, HELD AT THE OFFICES OF THE DISTRICT,
MEFFORD FIELD, TULARE, CALIFORNIA ON THE 12th DAY OF MAY 2026, AT
THE HOUR OF 1:00 P.M. OF SAID DAY**

Present at the meeting called at 1:00 p.m. at the place above designated were: Robert Uchita, presiding, Tony Nunes, Craig Smith, Charles Mayer and Stan Creelman. Charlie Pitigliano was absent. Also present at the Board Meeting were Michelle Dempsey, General Manager, Jacob Davis, Operations Director, and Chad M. Lew, counsel for the District.

Agenda Item No. 1: Citizen Comments.

Robert Uchita opened the floor to citizen comments, but there were no comments from the public.

Agenda Item No. 2: Review Minutes of the April 14, 2026 Board of Trustees Meeting.

The minutes of the April 14, 2026 Board of Trustees meeting were presented to the board in writing and reviewed. Upon a motion duly made by Charles Mayer, seconded by Craig Smith, and unanimously carried, the minutes of the April 14, 2026 Board of Trustees meeting were approved as presented.

Agenda Item No. 3: Payment of Check Number 8111 - 8140, Payment of Direct Deposit Numbers DD 2045 - DD 2056; Electronic Fund Transfers (EFTPS) from US Bank to the IRS for Social Security, Medicare and Federal Tax Payments, US Bank Charges and Credits, and Claim Number 21987, Transfers of Funds form Tulare County Fund #778 to the District's US Bank Account #*****4633.

The board members reviewed the District's US Bank checking account, check numbers 8111 - 8140, payment of direct deposit numbers DD 2045 - DD 2056, the electronic fund transfers (EFTPS) for payment of Social Security, Medicare and Federal Tax Payments to the IRS, the electronic debit payments from the District's US Bank account, and claim number 21987 in the sum of \$239,444.35, which was a transfer from the District's Tulare County Fund #778 to the District's US Bank account number ending in 4633. Upon a motion duly made by Craig Smith, seconded by Tony Nunes, and unanimously carried, the US Bank checking account, check numbers 8111 - 8140, payment of direct deposit numbers DD 2045 - DD 2056, the electronic fund transfers (EFTPS) for payment of Social Security, Medicare and Federal Tax Payments to the IRS, the electronic debit payments from the District's US Bank checking account, and the transfers from the District's Tulare County Fund #778 to the District's Union Bank account number ending in 4663, by claim number 21987 in the sum of \$239,444.35, were approved.

Agenda Item No. 4: Discussion, Decision and Action for GASB 75 Actuarial Valuation with Foster & Foster.

Michelle reviewed with the board the proposal from Foster & Foster for the preparation of the GASB 75 actuarial valuation. Upon a motion duly made by Charles Mayer, seconded by Stan Creelman, and unanimously carried, the board approved the Foster & Foster contract, as presented, and authorized the general manager to execute the same with a cost of \$1,710.00

Agenda Item No. 5: Update on 2026 Inspection Warrant.

District counsel advised the board that after consultation with Judge Mathias, and minor revisions to the warrant language, the 2026 Area Inspection Warrant was issued.

Agenda Item No. 6: Discussion, Decision and Action for Lift Replacement Project.

Michelle and Jacob updated the board on the status of this project. They reported that the District has not moved forward with the repair of the existing lift or the purchase of the new four post lift in that the installation of the new four post lift may require additional costs for footings. After some discussion related to the options for covering the new outdoor lift the board requested that management bring this item back at a future meeting with additional information. Upon a motion duly made by Craig Smith, seconded by Charles Mayer, and unanimously carried, the board confirmed the authorization to repair of the existing lift, and also the purchase and installation of a new four post lift at a cost of \$12,625.11, and authorized a spending contingency not to exceed the sum of \$2,000.00 for unexpected costs incurred during installation, based upon the estimates from Midstate Automotive Equipment.

Agenda Item No. 7: Discussion, Decision and Action for Installation of Security Alarm at 6525 Dale Fry Road, Tulare, CA.

Jacob reviewed with the board the proposal from Giotto's Alarm-Tech, Inc., for the installation of exterior break-beam system. After consultation with Giotto's, management's recommendation is to proceed with installation of an alarm system on the newly leased hangar at 6525 Daly Fry Road, Tulare, CA, represented in Giotto's Alarm-Tech, Inc., Bid #2514. After some discussion, the board determined that an exterior break-beam system was not cost effective and presents a number of issues related to false alarms. Upon a motion duly made by Tony Nunes, seconded by Craig Smith, and unanimously carried, the board approved and authorized the purchase and installation of an alarm system on the leased hangar at 6525 Daly Fry Road, Tulare, CA, by Giotto's Alarm-Tech, Inc., as presented in Bid # 2514, at a cost not to exceed \$10497.14, and authorized the general manager to execute any required documents including an annual monitoring contract therefore.

Agenda Item No. 8: Discussion, Decision and Action for GPS and Dash Camera Installation Update.

Jacob reported to the board that there was no update on this matter as he is still working with Verizon to address the board's prior concerns.

Agenda Item No. 9: District Activities to Date.

Jacob provided the board with a review of the District's activities to date and answered questions from the board.

Agenda Item No. 10: Discussion on FY 26/27 Preliminary Budget.

Michelle reviewed the preliminary working budget for fiscal year 2026/2027 with the board. After some discussion with the board, Michelle advised that she would continue to work on the budget and would be presenting the fiscal year 2026/2027 budget for approval next month.

Convene to Closed Session

Agenda Item No. 11: Public Employee Performance Evaluation (Government Code section 54957(b)(1))

Title: General Manager

The board requested that this item be placed on the agenda for next board meeting in hopes that the full board will be available and present.

Reconvene to Open Session

Agenda Item No. 12: Manager's Report.

- a. CA Arbovirus Bulletin - Michelle briefly reviewed the California Arboviruse Bulletin #5 for Week 18
- b. Board of Trustees Update - Michelle provided a brief update to the board about reappointments.

Agenda Item No. 13: Meeting Adjourned.

There being no further business before the board, upon a motion duly made by Charles Mayer, seconded by Craig Smith, and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned at 2:37 p.m.

SECRETARY