

**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 11th DAY OF JULY 2023, AT
THE HOUR OF 1:03 P.M. OF SAID DAY**

Present at the meeting called at 1:03 p.m. at the place above designated were: Charlie Pitigliano, presiding, Craig Smith, Stan Creelman, Tony Nunes, and Chuck Mayer. Robert Uchita was absent. Also present at the Board Meeting were Michelle Dempsey, General Manager, Jacob Davis, Operations Director, Sheri Davis, Administrative Assistant, and Chad M. Lew, counsel for the District.

Agenda Item No. 1: Citizen Comments.

Charlie Pitigliano opened the floor to citizen comments, but there were no comments from the public.

Agenda Item No. 2: Review Minutes of June 13, 2023 Board of Trustee Meeting.

The minutes of the meeting held on June 13, 2023, were presented to the board in writing and reviewed. Upon a motion made by Charles Mayer, seconded by, Stan Creelman, and unanimously carried, the minutes of the board meeting held on June 13, 2023, were approved as presented.

Agenda Item No. 3: Payment of Check Number 7191 - 7239, Payment of Direct Deposit Numbers DD 1573 - DD 1579; Electronic Fund Transfers (EFTPS) from Union Bank to the IRS for Social Security, Medicare and Federal Tax Payments, Union Bank Charges and Credits, and Claim Numbers 21949 and 21950, Transfers of Funds form Tulare County Fund #778 to the District's Union Bank Account #*****4408.

The board members reviewed the District's Union Bank checking account, check numbers 7191 - 7239, payment of direct deposit numbers DD 1573 - DD 1579, 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 Union Bank account, and claim number 21949 in the sum of \$226,108.14, and claim number 21950 in the sum of \$230,137.43, which were transfers from the District's Tulare County Fund #778 to the District's Union Bank account number ending in 4408. Upon a motion duly made by Craig Smith, seconded by Tony Nunes, and unanimously carried, the Union Bank checking account, check numbers 7191 - 7239, payment of direct deposit numbers DD 1573 - DD 1579, 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 Union Bank checking account, and the transfer from the District's Tulare County Fund #778 to the District's Union Bank account number ending in 4408, by claim number 21949 in the sum of \$226,108.14 and claim number 21950 in the sum of \$230,137.43, were approved.

Agenda Item No. 4: Final FY 23/24 Budget Submitted to Tulare County.

Michelle advised the board that the approved budget for fiscal year 2023/2024 was submitted to Tulare County.

Agenda Item No. 5: District Activity to Date.

Jacob reviewed the District's activity to date report with the board and answered questions from the board. He also reviewed and answered questions from the board on the California Arbovirus Surveillance Bulletin #13 for the Week 27, Friday, July 7, 2023.

Agenda Item No. 6: Discussion on State Funded Aerial Applications.

Michelle updated the board related to the scope and magnitude of the contracting with VDCI to provide aerial applications of adulticide and larvacide to areas in and around Tulare Lake, Alpaugh and Allensworth. Michelle advised that working with CDPH and VDCI has improved and that the contract between the State and VDCI for the adulticide and larvacide aerial applications will be of great assistance to the District in the management, control and treatment of these areas severely impacted by flood waters.

Agenda Item No. 7: Discussion on FEMA/CalOES Public Assistance Programs.

Michelle and Sheri provided an overview of the District's cooperation with FEMA/CalOES in its application for disaster reimbursement application. Michelle advised the board that the District had a Scoping Meeting with FEMA last week. At this time the District continues to track extraordinary expenditures that are directly related to the impacts of the flood waters. FEMA and the District are awaiting a CDC to authorize approval of reimbursement of funds related to mosquito control.

Agenda Item No. 8: Manager's Report.

- a. CDPH Certification Cycle Ended June 30, 2023 - Michelle advised the board that the CDPH Certification cycle ended on June 30, 2023, and the District was now working on the commencing on the next two-year certification cycle.
- b. General Managers Summit - Michelle reported that she attended and participated at the General Managers Summit. She reported one issue addressed was the discussion of the local mosquito district's COLA for 2023, which she indicated was averaging about a 6% for the local mosquito abatement districts.

Agenda Item No. 9: Meeting Adjourned.

There being no further business before the board, upon a motion duly made by Chuck Mayer, seconded by Stan Creelman, and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned at 2:10 p.m.

SECRETARY