

MOSQUITO AND VECTOR MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
of Santa Barbara County
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF TRUSTEES
April 11th, 2024

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Mosquito and Vector Management District of Santa Barbara County was held at 1:00 PM, on Thursday, April 11th, 2024 via teleconference and in person at the Santa Barbara City College Wake Center Campus, Room 18.

1. ROLL CALL.

TRUSTEES PRESENT:

Vice-President Joe Franken
Secretary Hugh Rafferty
Trustee Teri Jory (arrived at 1:20, during Closed Session)
Trustee Barbara Silver
Trustee Russell Dahlquist
Trustee Charles Blair
Trustee Danica Taber

TRUSTEES ABSENT:

President Robert Williams

IN ATTENDANCE:

Brian Cabrera, General Manager
Carrie Troup, CPA
Jessica Sprigg, Administrative Assistant (remotely)
Nate Kowalski, Legal Counsel, Atkinson, Andelson, Loya, Ruud, and Romo (remotely, for Closed Session)

2. CONSIDERATION OF TELECONFERENCING NOTIFICATIONS OR REQUESTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS Per Government Code § 54953(f), less than a quorum of Board members may on a limited basis videoconference to Board meetings for just cause or emergency circumstances
-No requests for remote participation.

3. CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA
-No changes requested.

4. Staff announcements regarding District business
- A. Board meeting dates for the remainder of 2024 are provided below. All meetings are scheduled to start at 1 PM. However, GM Cabrera will be making a request at the May meeting for the June 13 meeting to be rescheduled for the morning of that day or another time and date if that is not possible.

1. Thursday, May 9	4. Thursday, August 8	7. Thursday, November 14
2. Thursday, June 13	5. Thursday, September 12	8. Thursday, December 12
3. Thursday, July 11	6. Thursday, October 10	

5. CORRESPONDENCE
-None.

6. PUBLIC COMMENT-Time reserved for the public to address the Board of Trustees relative to matters of District business not on the agenda. Comment time regarding specific agenda items will be available during consideration of the particular agenda items.

-None.

7. CLOSED SESSION

- A. Public comment on closed session agenda items

-No public comment.

- B. Closed session pursuant to Government Code § 54957.6

Conference with labor negotiator

Agency designated representatives: Nate Kowalski, Counsel and Brian Cabrera, General Manager

Employee Organization: Mosquito and Vector Management District of Santa Barbara County

Employees Association

-Started at 1:05 PM. Ended at 2:25 PM.

Reconvene to open session to report action taken (if any) in closed session

-No action to report.

8. ITEMS OF GENERAL CONSENT. The following items are approved by a single action of the Board. Items requiring additional discussion may be withdrawn from the listing and approved in a separate action.

- A. Approval of the Minutes of the March 14th, 2024 Regular Board Meeting

- B. Approval of the March Disease Surveillance Report

- C. Approval of the March District Operations Report

-It was moved by Trustee Blair and seconded by Trustee Rafferty to approve the Items of General Consent. Motion passed unanimously.

9. OLD BUSINESS. The Board will discuss and may take action on the following items:

- A. Accept and file the March Financial Statements for County Fund 4160

- B. Accept and file the March Disbursement Report

-Reports were accepted and filed following review.

- C. Accounts receivable contracts' status (5909 Misc. Revenue)

-Billing for contract work done January through March will be done in April.

- D. Update on District building repair and improvement projects.

-Staff is looking into a concept feasibility study and reaching out to architects.

- E. Presentation of the updated preliminary budget for fiscal year 2024-2025.

-Adjustments are being made to the initial budget preparation and will be presented again next month.

10. NEW BUSINESS. The Board will discuss and may take action on the following items:

- A. Consider and approve the District's Service Agreement renewal with SCI Consulting Group for a 3 or 5-year term.

-It was moved by Trustee Blair and seconded by Trustee Rafferty to approve the five year agreement with SCI Consulting. Motion passed unanimously.

11. REVIEW OF THE CALIFORNIA HEALTH & SAFETY CODE, CHAPTER 1. MOSQUITO ABATEMENT AND VECTOR CONTROL DISTRICTS, ARTICLE 6. FINANCES §§2073, 2074, 2075, 2077, 2078.

-No discussion occurred for this item.

12. REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

-None.

13. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

-Staff collected hundreds of ticks in three areas throughout the county.

14. BOARD ANNOUNCEMENTS

-Vice-President Franken noted that it is California Mosquito Awareness Week in mid-April.

15. ADJOURNMENT

As there was no further business to be brought before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.

I certify that the above minutes substantially reflect the actions of the Board:

APPROVED:

Bob Williams
Board President

Hugh Rafferty
Board Secretary