

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

January 11, 2023

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Lake County Vector Control District was called to order at 1:30 P.M. by President Giambruno.

Board Present: Rob Bostock, Curt Giambruno, Ron Nagy, Chuck Leonard, and George Spurr.

Absent: None.

District Personnel: Jamesina J. Scott, Ph.D., Manager and Research Director and Ms. Jacinda Franusich, Office Manager.

Guests: Mr. Zach Pehling, CPA (attending remotely, via Zoom), and Mr. Austris Rungis of Industrial Employers Distributors Association (IEDA, attending the Closed Session remotely via Zoom).

Citizens Input: None.

Agenda Additions and/or Deletions: None.

Presentation of Fiscal Year 2021/2022 Audit Report by Zach Pehling, CPA

After a brief presentation by Mr. Pehling, and some discussion by the Board, Mr. Bostock moved to approve the 2021/2022 Audit Report as presented. Mr. Leonard seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Pehling left the meeting at 1:45 P.M.

Convene to Closed Session at 1:45 P.M.

Closed Session

Conference with Labor Negotiators, pursuant to Government Code 54957.6 for the purpose of reviewing its position and instructing the LCVCD's designated representatives: Jamesina J. Scott (District Manager), and Austris Rungis (IEDA).

Convene to Open Session at 2:34 P.M.

Report from Closed Session

No reportable actions were taken.

Mr. Rungis left the meeting at 2:34 P.M.

Approve Minutes of December 14, 2022 Regular Meeting with a Correction to the Check Numbers to Include Checks 21443-21459. Making the Total Expenditures for December 2022 \$122,253.95

Mr. Spurr moved to approve the Board Minutes of December 14, 2022 regular meeting with a correction to the check numbers to include checks 21443-21459 making the total expenditures for December 2022 \$122,253.95. Mr. Leonard seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Election of Lake County Vector Control District Board of Trustees Officers

After some discussion, Mr. Bostock moved to have Mr. Nagy retain the office Board Secretary, and Mr. Giambruno to retain the office of Board President. Both Mr. Nagy and Mr. Giambruno accepted. Mr. Spurr seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Research Report

Dr. Scott reported on arbovirus activity. During 2022 West Nile virus (WNV) was detected in seven mosquito samples in Lake County. In addition, three sentinel chickens from the Upper Lake flock, and two dead birds tested positive for WNV.

In the rest of California, three thousand one hundred sixty-five mosquito samples from twenty-five counties tested positive for West Nile virus. In addition, one hundred forty-five sentinel chickens were positive for antibodies to WNV, sixteen equine cases of WNV were reported from ten counties, and one hundred eighty-six dead birds from twenty-three counties were positive for West Nile virus.

Eleven human cases of St. Louis encephalitis virus (SLEV) were reported in residents of six counties, and one hundred fifty-three mosquito samples from ten counties have tested positive for SLEV.

Arbovirus activity information for the rest of the United States has not been updated since the last board meeting.

Dr. Scott reported on mosquito surveillance activity in Lake County. New Jersey light traps collected low numbers of *Culiseta inornata* (large winter mosquito) were collected from the light trap in Upper Lake; low numbers of

Culiseta inornata and a single *Culicoides occidentalis* (biting black gnat) were collected from the light trap set near Borax Lake in Clearlake.

Dr. Scott reported on tick testing. One tick has been submitted for identification and testing since the new surveillance year began on 10/1/2022. The tick was negative for Lyme disease.

Dr. Scott reported on Clear Lake gnat, Chironominae, and Tanypodinae surveillance in Clear Lake. Lake checks were not completed in December due to staff availability and weather.

Operation Report

The rain gauge at the LCVCD office in Lakeport received 6.9 inches of precipitation during December. The level of Clear Lake was at -2.57 feet on the Rumsey Gauge on December 1, and increased to -1.79 feet by December 31.

No service requests were received in December, which is standard for this month.

The District's conference room was used by the Konocti Christian Academy for meetings during December. They thanked the District for the use of the room.

Dr. Scott attended the Mosquito and Vector Control Association of California Planning Session in Oakland on December 6-7. Dr. Scott serves as co-chair for the Integrated Vector Management Committee, and will continue to serve on the William Reeves New Investigator Committee.

Approve Checks for the Month of January 2023

Mr. Nagy moved to approve Check Nos. 21460-21499 for the month of January 2023 in the amount of \$57,981.88. Mr. Spurr seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Other Business

Consideration of Ballot for Independent Special District Alternate Representative on Lake County Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO)

After some discussion, President Giamb Bruno voted Mr. Jim Freeman to represent Independent Special Districts on the Lake County Local Agency Formation Commission.

Consideration of changing the date of the March 8, 2023 Board of Trustees regular meeting to March 15, 2023

Dr. Scott requested that the board change the date of its regular meeting in March to allow her to attend the Association of Governmental Risk Pools conference and training. Mr. Bostock moved to change the date of the March 8, 2023 Board of Trustees Regular Meeting to March 15, 2023. Mr. Spurr seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion of AB 1234 Ethics Training Options for 2023

Dr. Scott mentioned that Ethics Training needs to be completed in 2022. Training options were discussed and it was decided that the Board, District Manager, and District Office Manager would watch a training webinar as a group prior to a future board meeting.

Announcement of the Next Board Meeting

The next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Lake County Vector Control District will be at 1:30 P.M. on Wednesday, February 8, 2023 in the LCVCD Board Room, 410 Esplanade, Lakeport, CA 95453.

Mr. Nagy moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Bostock seconded the motion. There being no other business the meeting was adjourned by President Giambruno at 3:00 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronald Nagy
Secretary