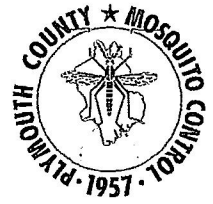


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COMMISSIONER'S MEETING MINUTES June 20th, 2024

On Thursday, June 20th, 2024, the Commissioners of the Plymouth County Mosquito Control Project held their monthly meeting at the Project headquarters. In attendance were Commissioners Sharland, Motyka, Reynolds, and Krystofolski. Employees present were Ross Rossetti, Superintendent/Pilot, Matt McPhee, Assistant Superintendent, Ellen Bidlack, Entomologist, Denise DeLuca, Administrative Assistant, and Erin Morrill, Community Liaison.

The meeting was called to order by Chair Sharland at 9:34am.

Public Comment/Input: There was no public comment.

Comments from the Chair: There were no comments.

Vote to approve May 16th, 2024 Minutes: Motion to approve the May 16th, 2024 minutes was made by Commissioner Reynolds and seconded by Commissioner Krystofolski. The minutes were approved unanimously.

Administrative Assistant Expense Report: Denise reported that the expense of the pilot assisting Ross in the aerial spring larviciding was the only change in this month's expense report. In Denise's summer administrative assistant's brief absence, Denise thanked Ross and Matt in helping assist with the large volume of resident requests coming into the Project.

Assistant Superintendent Report-Field Work Summary: Matt reported the field work summary from May 16th through June 20th. In addition to the truck adulticide spraying taking place from 2am to sunrise, Tech Callahan has been barrier treating 13 specified locations this month. There was no machine digging completed this month as the crew has been prioritizing their adulticiding and larviciding calls. They completed 1,386 water inspections that resulted in 461 treatments. The field techs also responded to 125 water check requests from residents.

Superintendent's Review of Project Operations since last meeting: Budget Update: Service Request Totals: Pilot/Survey Tech Job Description: Ross reported that the ISA(Interdepartmental Service Agreement) contract with Bristol County to use their excavator ended as FY24 came to a close. A new FY25 agreement will be drawn up and implemented until the Project receives its new excavator. The machine completed 66.5 hours dug during the FY24 time period. Ross reported that the plane is now being housed in a new hangar. Its proximity is more convenient to the Project. There was no change in the rental cost.

Ross noted that on June 6th, the SRB(State Reclamation Board) approved a 2% increase in the Project's FY25 budget. The SRB also approved the use of Anvil 10/10 and Merus 3.0 as the approved adulticides in the event of a state-wide EEE(Eastern Equine Encephalitis) outbreak. The number of spray requests are currently at 4,178, nearly double from last year at this time.

Ross introduced the job description for the newly posted Pilot/Survey Technician position. Ross will be networking several job boards to look for potential candidates.

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Entomologist Report: Update on Mosquito Surveillance: Ellen noted that collections have nearly tripled compared to last year's numbers during this time period.

Community Liaison Report-Presentations Update-Upcoming Engagements: Erin participated at a Health and Wellness Fair in Hull on June 8th and Marion's COA on June 21st. Erin finishes up June with a morning event being held at the Plymouth Boys and Girls Club on the 27th.

On July 9th, Erin will present a morning event at the Wareham COA. As August approaches, Erin is presenting at the Brockton COA on August 14th. She is again looking to present with Blake Dinius at the Marshfield Fair which will be held August 16th-25th. Erin will be presenting at the Whitman Public Library on September 29th and on October 2nd, Erin will be in Rochester at a COA sponsored Wellness Fair.

Commissioner Comments, if any: Commissioner Sharland commented on the tire dump located in Bridgewater. It is located near Great Hill Drive and Bridgewater University. Town officials will be discussing strategies to determine the next step towards removal.

Date, Time, Location of next Commission Meeting/Adjournment: Next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, July 25th, 2024 at 9:30am. Meeting will be held at the Project headquarters, 272 South Meadow Road, Plymouth. A remote option will be available.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was accepted unanimously at 10:57am.

Respectively submitted,



Ann Motyka

Commissioner: Vice-Chairman/Secretary
Plymouth County Mosquito Control Project

Documents that accompanied this agenda:

- *Meeting Agenda
- *Monthly Expense Report
- *June 20th, 2024 Meeting Minutes
- *Pilot/Survey Tech Job Description