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COMMISSIONER’S MEETING MINUTES January 16th, 2025

On Thursday, January 16th, 2025 the Commissioners of the Plymouth County Mosquito Control Project held their monthly meeting at the Project headquarters. In attendance were Commissioners Sharland, Motyka, and Fiore. Employees present were Ross Rossetti, Superintendent/Pilot (via Microsoft Teams), Matt McPhee, Assistant Superintendent, Ellen Bidlack, Entomologist, Russ Mazzilli, General Foreman, and Denise DeLuca, Administrative Assistant.

The meeting was called to order by Chair Sharland at 9:32am.

Public Comment/Input: Pine DuBois of the Jones River Watershed joined the meeting at 10:07am. She inquired on the Project’s spring larviciding and to update the Project on upcoming Jones River Watershed activities.

Comments from the Chair: Commissioner Sharland requested to postpone the scheduled Reorganization of the Commissioner’s Board until February’s meeting. Commissioners Motyka and Fiore agreed.

Vote to approve November 21st, 2024 Minutes: Motion to approve the November 21st, 2024 minutes was made by Commissioner Fiore and seconded by Commissioner Motyka. The minutes were unanimously approved.

Administrative Assistant Expense Report: Monthly Overview: Denise noted that there were no significant changes to this month’s expense report. Small upgrades to the staff kitchen, including a large rug, were purchased under facilities monies. Denise noted that the Brockton Garden Club sent a letter complimenting Community Liaison Morrill, along with Blake Dinius, on the presentation they gave on October 28th. All 29 Project towns and the State Reclamation Board received copies of their 2024 annual reports via email. In addition, all Boards of Health were sent hard copies. The public can access reports under ‘Annual Reports’, located on the ‘About Us’ tab at www.plymouthmosquito.org.

Assistant Superintendent Report-Water Management Summary: Matt reported that the Activity Summary from November 20th 2024- January 15th, 2025 included 64 tires had been collected The field techs completed 8,095 feet of cleaning and brushing closing out the 2024 year with a total of 106,382 feet. An upland machine dig job resulted in the cleaning of 175 linear feet in Lakeville. Dates on tire events to be held in 2025 have not yet been determined.

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Superintendent Report: Review of Project Operations since last meeting: Pilot Position Update: EEE

Update: On January 15th, Ross, along with Ellen, Matt, and Denise completed all Project towns' annual reports. Ross is finalizing two South Shore Tire Recycling events. These will be held in Plymouth and Hull with dates to be determined. The Project will be purchasing 1 EV for FY26 and has satisfied the OVM fleet right sizing initiatives until 2030.

Ross is sending out a Request for Response via COMMBUYS, the State's procurement website, to find an Ag flight training school to train the Project's newly-hired pilot Tom Foley.

With two candidates being interviewed for the Project's Equipment Operator position, Field Tech Chris Hoppie was hired on December 15th. Chris, a 4 year employee of the Project, will be training with the New England Tractor Trailer School to get his Class A CDL.

Entomologist Report: On February 5th, Ellen, along with Blake Dinius and Katie Brown will be presenting a program at the Plymouth Public Library named "Sustainable Plymouth". Ellen and Erin collaborated and created a link, located on the Project's website, to view the Community Liaison's events. Addressing Integrated Pest Management(IPM) updates, Ellen is working on mapping layers with map exclusions and additions for daycares and schools.

Community Liaison Report-Presentations Update-Upcoming Engagements: Erin will be presenting at the Rochester Public Library on February 18th at 10:30am. Erin has scheduled 2 events in March. On the 8th, from 10:00am-1:00pm, she will be participating in an Early Childhood Health/Wellness Fair at the Kingston Elementary School. On March 31st, she will be attending the Brockton Boys/Girl Club Stem Program at 3:30pm.

Erin has several events confirmed for 2025. In the month of April, Erin will be meeting with the following towns' Council on Agings; On April 1st, she will present in 2 towns; Kingston at 10:00am and Hingham on at 2:00pm; Hanson, on 4/4 at 10:00am; Marshfield, 4/9 at 1pm; Pembroke, 4/16 at 9:00am; Lakeville 4/17 at 1pm; and Pembroke on 4/23 at 9:00am. Other April events scheduled include the Brockton Children's Room at the public library on the 10th, time TBD, as well as a second event there on 4/24; time again TBD. She will be presenting at the Halifax Public Library on 4/28 at 6:00pm.

On May 3rd, Erin will be attending the Plymouth Community Health Fair from 10:00am to 1:00pm at Plymouth North High School. She will be at the Marion COA on May 19th at 1:00pm, at the Wildlands Trust in Plymouth on May 21st from 5:00pm to 6:00pm, and at the Pembroke Children's Room at the public library; time to be determined. On June 12th, Erin has an event at the Manomet Public Library at 5:00pm. On August 5th, Erin will be presenting at the Scituate Public Library Children's Room at 2:00pm.


To view Community Liaison Morrill's schedule of events, click on www.plymouthmosquito.org/events

Commissioner Comments, if any: There were no comments.

Date, Time, Location of next Commission Meeting/Adjournment: Next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, February 27th, 2025 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 was made by Commissioner Fiore and seconded by Commissioner Motyka. It was unanimously passed at 10:16am.

Respectively submitted,



Ann Motyka

Commissioner: Vice-Chairman/Secretary
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Documents that accompanied this agenda:

*Meeting Agenda

*Monthly Expense Report

*November 21st, 2024 Meeting Minutes