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# PLYMOUTH COUNTY MOSQUITO CONTROL PROJECT

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Ellen Bidlack – Entomologist  
Denise DeLuca – Administrative Assistant

## COMMISSIONER’S MEETING MINUTES March 27th, 2025

**Call to Order and Attendance-** On Thursday, March 27th, 2025, the Commissioners of the Plymouth County Mosquito Control Project held their monthly meeting at the Project headquarters. In attendance were Commissioners Sharland, Motyka, Fiore, and Krystofolski. Employees present were Ross Rossetti, Superintendent/Pilot, Matt McPhee, Assistant Superintendent, Ellen Bidlack, Entomologist, and Denise DeLuca, Administrative Assistant. The meeting was called to order by Chair Sharland at 9:35am.

**Public Comments/Input-** There were no public comments.

**Comments from the Chair-** Commissioner Sharland was one of the 5 commissioners from State projects to participate in a Focus group. One of the many commonalities among the participants was the public perceptions of project operations by their residents. Commissioner Sharland recommended that having a Community Liaison for educational and public relation purposes had been a positive for Plymouth County’s residents. Currently, the Project is the only one to have one on staff.

**Vote to approve the February 27th, 2025 Minutes-** Motion to approve the February 27th, 2025 minutes was made by Commissioner Fiore and seconded by Commissioner Krystofolski. The minutes were unanimously approved.

**Administrative Assistant \*\*Expense Report \*\*Monthly Review-** There were no significant changes to the Expense Report. Denise noted that the accepted Aerial Application form was submitted to the following: all town’s Departments of Public Health, the FAA, Police Departments, and to the State Police. Residents have begun calling for adulticide service requests in addition to ‘check water’ and tire program questions. Adulticiding services are scheduled to begin on June 2nd. A Seasonal Assistant for Denise has been hired and is expected to start employment on May 19th.

**Assistant Superintendent Report\*\*Water Management Summary-** Matt noted that there were a few applicants for the available Field Technician position. The crew has been using the hydraulic truck, using the larvicide BTI, to treat larger areas. There were 179 tires collected and 338 larviciding inspections completed. The Field Techs cleaned and brushed 15,973 feet. Machine digging totals were from 2 upland sites; 250 E. Center Street, Bridgewater; 290 linear feet. The second at West Bridgewater Country Club, Great Hill Drive, 170 linear feet.

**Superintendent Report \*Review of Project operations since last meeting-** Ross reminded the Commissioners that Clarke Chemical will be hosting an event at the Project on April 2nd from 9:00am-

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12:00pm. Ross also thanked the Commissioners as he had the chance to attend the American Mosquito Control Association's (AMCA) Annual conference. The conference offered several days of educational sessions and opportunities for networking with other mosquito control professionals from around the country. The next tire recycling event, scheduled for Hull, will be on May 10th. Additional information on time and location will be forthcoming. Field Tech Nick Disano received a compliment from a Marshfield resident on his performance on a ditch job. Pilot Tom Foley completed the required training and is currently flying the Project plane. He is waiting to receive his Pesticide Commercial Aerial License. The Congestion Plan, submitted to the FAA, has been approved.

In employee news, Devin Campbell was hired for the Field Tech position. Mary Lanigan was hired as the Administrative Assistant Summer Employee to assist Denise. The two Catch Basin jobs remain unfilled. All of the Staff Performance Reviews have been completed. Ross will be presenting a COLA proposal for discussion for April's meeting. The FY26 budget has been submitted to the State Reclamation Board to review. Their meeting date has not been announced.

**Entomologist Report**- Ellen met with the New England Vector Borne Disease personnel on March 26th. Results from all sites showed resistance to pesticide being used. They suggest that we test additional active ingredients. NEVBD has changed their policies and will only test 3 sites from each project. They may be able to make an exception for the Project and continue to allow us to test the 5 locations we have been testing. She is currently preparing trap sites for the season, looking for the best accessibility and results. She has also been dipping sites for the airplane.

**Community Liaison Update\*\*New Presentations\*\*Upcoming Engagements**-(Ross presented in Erin's absence) Erin reports that the majority of questions from residents continue to be on tires and their disposal. New events that have been scheduled are listed below. On May 20th, Erin will be attending a Health and Wellness Fair at the Marshfield COA from 9:00am- 12:00pm. On June 17th, she will present at Brockton's COA at 2:00pm. On June 24th, Erin will be presenting at the Plymouth Boys/Girls Club at 9:00am. Her last new event will be held on August 5th at the Scituate Public Library, for both children and adults, at 2:00pm.

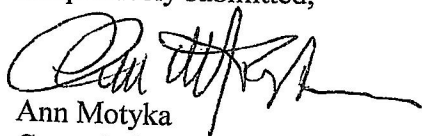
\*\*To view Community Liaison Morrill's entire schedule of events, log onto [www.plymouthmosquito.org](http://www.plymouthmosquito.org), click on the 'About Us' tab and select 'Events'\*\*

**Commissioner's Comments**: Commissioner Motyka complimented Ellen Bidlack and Community Liaison Morrill for creating the 'Events' tab on the Project's website. It allows the residents to have continually updated events available to them regarding Erin's presentation schedule.

**Date, Time, Location of next Commission Meeting/Adjournment**: Next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 17th, 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 Krystofolski. It was unanimously passed at 10:10am.

Respectively submitted,



Ann Motyka

Commissioner: Vice-Chairman/Secretary

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## **Documents that accompany this agenda:**

**\*\*Meeting Agenda**

**\*\*Monthly Expense Report**

**\*\*Community Liaison Update**