



THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
THE STATE RECLAMATION & MOSQUITO CONTROL BOARD



PLYMOUTH COUNTY MOSQUITO CONTROL PROJECT

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Denise DeLuca – Administrative Assistant

COMMISSIONER'S MEETING MINUTES November 16th, 2023

On Thursday, November 16th, 2023, the Commissioners of the Plymouth County Mosquito Control Project held their monthly meeting at the Project headquarters. In attendance were Commissioners Sharland, Motyka, and Reynolds. Employees present: Ross Rossetti, Superintendent/Pilot, Matt McPhee, Assistant Superintendent, and Erin Morrill; Community Liaison.

The meeting was called to order by Chair Sharland at 9:41am.

Public Comment/Input: There was no public comment.

Comments from the Chair: Commissioner Sharland inquired on any further news on applicants for the vacant commissioner position. Ross noted that the State Reclamation Board had not received any applications. Further inquiries to the town's municipal organizations were suggested.

Vote to approve October 19, 2023 Minutes: The October 19th, 2023 minutes were unanimously approved by roll call vote by Commissioners Motyka, Reynolds, and Sharland.

Administrative Assistant Expense Report: In Denise's absence, Ross reported that there were no significant changes in the month's expense report.

Assistant Superintendent Report-Field work summary: Matt reported that the 3 day chainsaw class, presented by Bay State Roads, was very valuable as Project staff have implemented information received into their current daily practices. An email sent by a resident of Summer Street in Middleboro complimented Field Tech Dugan for her exceptional efforts in completing a cleaning job on site.

There were 480 tires collected from October 19th-November 15th. During this time, the crew hand cleaned and brushed 13,826 feet in various Plymouth County towns. The machine digging crew completed 600 linear feet on River Street in Middleboro.

Superintendent's Review of Project Operations since last meeting: Ross reported that the State Reclamation Board had received the Project's preliminary budget on November 6th. In addition, the updated Generic Environmental Impact Report(GEIR) is close to going out to bid. The Project and building owner have agreed to update the security system around the facility. The Office of Vehicle Management has been working on a contract to allow EV Charge Point billing on our current Wright's WEX fuel card for off site EV charging. Through the General Services Administration(GSA), the Navy will be making surplus training helicopters available over the next 2 years. Ross will be looking into this further as a potential option for the Project.

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Ross made a request to attend the helicopter-specific Florida Mosquito Control Association(FMCA) fly-in at the Manatee County Mosquito Control District facility from January 9-12, 2024 or the Northeast Ag Aviation Association meeting in Gettysburg, Pennsylvania on January 14-16. A motion to finance both events for Superintendent Rossetti was approved by Commissioner Reynolds and seconded by Commissioner Motyka. It passed unanimously by roll call vote.

While the equipment operator position has been unfilled, Field Tech Jesse Anderson has been performing work requiring the use of his Class A CDL. A motion to pay Field Tech Anderson a stipend of \$1,500.00 for this work over the past 6 months was approved by Commissioner Reynolds and seconded by Commissioner Motyka. It passed unanimously by roll call vote.

Entomologist Report: Update on Mosquito Surveillance: There was no report.

Community Liaison Report-Presentations Update-Upcoming Engagements: Erin presented at the Whitman Public Library on October 21st. They indicated that they would be interested in a second event to be held in the Spring of 2024. Integrated Pest Management(IPM) work continues as Erin updates new employees to contact as well as schools and daycares. Erin noted that the Project is looking to host Plymouth County's Boards of Health personnel in a Spring 2024 event.to further educate them on Project services. Commissioner Motyka suggested that the event be videoed for future reference. Erin noted that Mass.gov has ordered more brochures for her presentations.

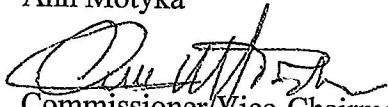
Commissioner Comments, if any: A motion proposing no December Commissioner's meeting was made by Commissioner Reynolds and seconded by Commissioner Motyka.

Date, Time, Location of next Commission Meeting/Adjournment: Next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, January 18th, 2024 at 9:30am. Meeting will be held at the Project headquarters, 272 South Meadow Road, Plymouth. Remote participation will be available.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was accepted unanimously at 10:29am.

Respectively submitted,

Ann Motyka



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

Documents that accompanied this agenda:

- * Meeting Agenda
- * October 19th 2023 Minutes
- * Expense Report
- * Service Requests from Week Ending November 16th, 2023