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COMMISSIONER'S MEETING MINUTES
August 20th, 2026

Call to Order and Attendance: On Thursday, August 20th, 2026, the Commissioners of the Plymouth County Mosquito Control Project held their monthly meeting at the Project headquarters. In attendance were Commissioners Sharland, Motyka, Krystofolski, and Fiore(via Microsoft Teams). Employees present; Ross Rossetti; Superintendent/Pilot, Matt McPhee; Assistant Superintendent, Ellen Bidlack; Entomologist, Administrative Assistant; Denise DeLuca, and Erin Morrill; Community Liaison. Chairman Sharland called the meetings to order at 9:35am.

Public Comments/Input- There was no public comment.

Comments from the Chair- There were no comments.

Vote to approve the July 23rd, 2026 Minutes - Motion to approve the July 23rd, 2026 minutes was made by Commissioner Fiore and seconded by Commissioner Krystofolski. The minutes were unanimously approved as written.

Administrative Assistant *Expense Report- Denise reported that there were no significant changes to the expense report.

Assistant Superintendent Report Water Management Summary-** Matt reported that during the time frame of July 23rd through August 19th, the crew had 612 larviciding inspections and that the residents had contacted the Project for 77 water checks. Combined, these resulted in 198 treatments. The basin crew, scheduled to complete their summer assignment on August 21st, treated 16,702 catch basins.

Superintendent Report *Review of Project operations since last meetingService Request Summary***Arborvirus Update****Northeastern Mosquito Control Association Annual Meeting Travel Request*****National Agricultural Aviation Association Meeting Travel Request:** Ross noted that all seasonal employees and basin treatments will be finishing up this week. Overall, service requests were down 800 compared to last year at this time. The first detection of the season of Eastern Equine Encephalitis was trapped in Kingston. Area truck spraying will commence tonight in the towns of Kingston and Halifax. The towns of Carver, Halifax, Kingston, and Plympton have been elevated to moderate risk. There have been 11 positive WNV samples collected in the following towns; Brockton, Abington, Whitman, Rockland, and Hingham; also upgraded to moderate risk. An area spray was conducted last night in Pembroke, East Bridgewater, and Scituate.
Ross requested a travel request for all Project Employees for the Northeast Mosquito Control Association

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Annual Meeting(NMCA), which is being held in Mystic, Connecticut on December 7th-9th, 2026. Here, the Field Techs will be acquiring the necessary Core Credits to recertify. A motion to release the monies to fund the travel and convention costs of $5000.00 was made by Commissioner Fiore and seconded by Commissioner Krystofolki. The motion passed unanimously. Superintendent Rossetti also requested that Project pilot Tom Foley attend the National Agricultural Aviation Association(NAAA) agricultural convention in Savannah, Georgia on November 16th-18th, 2026. He will be receiving required Category 34 credits and complete low altitude safety courses. A motion to release monies to fund the travel, totaling approximately $3000.00, was made by Commissioner Fiore and seconded by Commissioner Motyka. The motion passed unanimously.

Entomologist Report- Ellen reported that the final 3 larval samples were sent to the Northeast Regional Center for Excellence in Vector-Borne Diseases (NEVBD) to test for pesticide resistance. She reports that collection numbers continue to be low. Today is the final day of employment for Ellen's seasonal assistant.

Community Liaison Update Presentations Update***Upcoming Engagements:** Erin will be at the Marshfield Fair on August 25th and 26th. On September 18th, she will be at the Brockton Farmer's Market in the City Square from 10am-2pm. There are 5 events in October. Erin will be at the Hull Veteran's Coffee hour on the 2nd and at the Duxbury Public Library on the 8th. She will be at the Kingston COA on October 20th at 10am and on the 21st, she will attend the Middleboro Board of Health Wellness Fair on the 3rd floor of the Ballroom at 10 Nickerson Avenue. Also on this date, Erin will travel over to Brockton for a STEM event at the Brockton Public Library on Main Street from 5pm-8pm. On November 12th, Erin will present at the Kingston Public Library at 6pm.

To view Community Liaison Morrill's entire schedule of events, log onto www.plymouthmosquito.org, click on the 'About Us' tab and select 'Events'

Commissioner's Comments: Commissioner Fiore complimented the Project on their proactive approach to employees' yearly recertification needs, as required by the State, in order to stay up-to-date on new information, best practices, policies, and procedures.

Date, Time, Location of next Commission Meeting/Adjournment: The next meeting is scheduled for September 24th, 2026, at 9:30am. The meeting will be held at the Project headquarters, 272 S. 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 10:07am.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Motyka
Vice Chairman/Secretary
Plymouth County Mosquito Control Project

Documents that accompany this report:
**Meeting Agenda
**Monthly Expense Report
**July 23rd, 2026 Meeting minutes
**Activity Summary