

# MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING

August 27, 2024

The special meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Lake County Vector Control District was called to order at 1:30 P.M. by President Pro Tempore George Spurr.

Board Present: Rob Bostock, Curt Giambruno, Ron Nagy, Frank Lincoln, and George Spurr.

Absent: None.

District Personnel: Jamesina J. Scott, Ph.D., Manager and Research Director.

Guests: Kuma Adamafio and Dan Delinko of VC3 attended via teleconference.

Citizen's Input: None.

Agenda Additions and/or Deletions: None.

## **Consideration of Service Agreement with VC3 for Cybersecurity, Information Technology (IT), and Backup Services, to include Applying for State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program (SLCGP) Funding**

Dr. Scott explained that the State of California Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES) released \$19 million in State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program (SLCGP) funding that local governments may apply for by Friday, September 27, 2024, with an additional \$3 million earmarked for agencies in rural counties (including Lake County). This grant will cover up to \$250,000 of a local agency's project costs with no match requirement. The grant funds may be used for managed information technology (IT) services, managed cybersecurity services, data backup and disaster recovery, and security awareness training.

Dr. Scott began the process of applying for the grant, and realized that it required specific expertise in those fields in order to identify the District's specific needs.

The California Special Districts Association (CSDA) has added VC3 as an endorsed affiliate that can provide those services and also prepare the

District's grant application. However, in order for VC3 to assist the District in applying for these funds by the September 27 grant deadline, the District needs to commit to a 3-year service agreement with VC3 by September 6, 2024.

If the District's grant application is funded, then the grant would cover the cost of VC3's services through from December 2024 through December 2026, and potentially upgrades to the District's Internet Service Provider at the Todd Road and Esplanade facilities, phone services, and phone hardware. If the District is not awarded the grant, then the District would be obligated to pay for VC3's services for the duration of the three-year contract at an annual cost of \$25,789.92.

Mr. Adamafio gave a presentation explaining the grant and VC3's services.

The Board discussed the services and the District's needs, and there was concern that this is a large financial obligation for the District, particularly if the was not awarded, and that references for VC3 were necessary.

President Pro Tempore Spurr made a motion to approve the 3-year agreement with VC3, to include applying for the State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program (SLCGP) funds, and authorize the District Manager to sign on behalf of the District, contingent upon her contacting 3-5 agencies who have hired VC3 and getting favorable references. Dr. Scott will share those references in an email to the Board before signing the agreement.

The motion was approved with a vote of 4 in favor (Bostock, Lincoln, Nagy, and Spurr) and 1 against (Giambruno).

### **Adjournment**

Mr. Nagy moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Giambruno seconded the motion. There being no other business the meeting was adjourned by President Pro Tempore Spurr at 2:55 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronald Nagy  
Secretary