

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

June 10, 2020

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Lake County Vector Control District was called to order at 1:34 P.M. by President Giambruno.

Board Present: Curt Giambruno, Rob Bostock, Chuck Leonard, and George Spurr.

Absent: Ron Nagy (excused).

District Personnel: Jamesina Scott, Ph.D., Manager and Research Director, and Ms. Jacinda Franusich, Office Manager.

Guests: None.

Citizen's Input: None (Zoom remained open during the meeting, but no member of the public attended or dialed into the meeting).

Agenda Additions/Deletions: None.

Approve Minutes of May 13, 2020 Regular Meeting

Mr. Leonard moved to approve the Board Minutes of May 13, 2020 Regular Meeting. Mr. Bostock seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Research Report

Dr. Scott reported on vectorborne virus activity. There has been no West Nile virus (WNV) activity in Lake County in 2020.

For the rest of California, WNV has been detected in six dead birds and four mosquito samples.

Thirteen mosquito samples from Riverside County have tested positive for St. Louis encephalitis virus in 2020.

For the rest of the country, West Nile virus has been detected in seven states.

Dr. Scott reported on adult biting fly activity. During May, carbon dioxide-baited traps were set in various locations around the county. The most abundant mosquito species collected were *Aedes sierrensis* and *Culiseta incidens*.

During May, the New Jersey Light Trap near Borax Lake collected a variety of mosquito species including *Aedes increpitus* and *Culex tarsalis*. Additionally, the New Jersey Light Trap in Upper Lake collected several mosquito species as well.

The resting boxes in Kelseyville, Lakeport, and Upper Lake were sampled in May. Five mosquito species were collected.

Dr. Scott reported on tick testing. Twenty *Ixodes pacificus* ticks that were removed from Lake County residents have been submitted to the Sonoma County Public Health Laboratory for testing for *Borrelia burgdorferi*. All the ticks were negative.

Due to coronavirus restrictions lake checks were not done in May. Lake checks should resume in June.

Operation Report

The rain gauge at the LCVCD office in Lakeport recorded 1.19 inches of rainfall in May. Total rainfall for the season is at 14.08 inches.

The level of Clear Lake on May 1 was at 4.52 feet on the Rumsey Gauge and dropped to 4.22 feet by May 31.

The District facilities remain closed to the public. Service requests can be made online and by telephone. In addition, services such as picking up mosquitofish and dropping off ticks or insects for identification are available by arrangement with modifications to ensure social distancing.

Vector Control Technicians responded to 553 service requests in May. Eighty-five service requests were submitted through the District's website.

Several of the employee's District-assigned cell phones were replaced in May. The new smart phones will allow the employees to utilize maps and other helpful applications.

On May 26, District employees received their annual heat illness prevention and safety training. This training is required by the California Division of Occupational Safety and Health.

Several District employees attended webinars regarding updates to CalSurv Gateway, the online reporting system used for tracking mosquito and arboviral activity.

Dr. Scott and Office Manager Jacinda Fransich continue to attend online training related to the administrative developments due to COVID-19.

Dr. Scott has been participating in the Mosquito and Vector Control Association of California (MVCAC) weekly COVID Zoom meeting to discuss compliance and other issues affective vector control districts as a result of the pandemic.

Consideration of Resolution No. 20-02 Resolution of Intention to Levy Annual Assessment, Preliminarily Accepting Engineer's Report and Scheduling of Public Hearing

After some discussion, Mr. Spurr moved to approve Resolution No. 20-02 Resolution of Intention to Levy Annual Assessment, Preliminarily Accepting Engineer's Report and Scheduling of Public Hearing. Mr. Leonard seconded the motion. Motion carried with a roll call vote as follows: Four in favor (Mr. Giambruno, Mr. Spurr, Mr. Leonard, and Mr. Bostock), and one absent (Mr. Nagy).

Approve Budget Transfers

No Budget Transfers were presented for approval.

Approve Checks for the Month of June 2020

Mr. Spurr moved to approve Check Nos. 19242–19304 for the month of June 2020 in the amount of \$83,589.36. Mr. Bostock seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Other Business

Dr. Scott mentioned that due to COVID-19 the District may need to conduct more remote board meetings, and would the trustees be interested in the District purchasing Chrome Books or tablets to be used for remote meetings. The Trustees decided that as the District conference room is large and allows for social distancing, in person meetings are preferable.

Announcement of the Next Regular Board Meeting

The next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Lake County Vector Control District will be at 1:30 P.M. on July 8, 2020 in the LCVCD Board Room, 410 Esplanade, Lakeport, CA 95453.

Mr. Bostock moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Spurr seconded the motion. There being no other business the meeting was adjourned by President Giambruno at 2:09 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronald Nagy
Secretary