

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

February 8, 2023

The monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Lake County Vector Control District was called to order at 1:30 P.M. by President Giambruno.

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

Absent: None.

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

Guests: Mr. Austris Rungis of Industrial Employers Distributors Association (IEDA, attending the Closed Session remotely via Zoom).

Citizen's Input: None.

Agenda Additions and/or Deletions: Item# 8 Consideration of Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Lake County Vector Control District and Operating Engineers Local 3 was deleted from the agenda.

Convene to Closed Session at 1:34 P.M.

Closed Session

Conference with Labor Negotiators, pursuant to Government Code 54957.6 for the purpose of reviewing its position and instructing the LCVCD's designated representatives: Jamesina J. Scott (District Manager), and Austris Rungis (IEDA).

Convene to Open Session at 1:50 P.M.

Report from Closed Session

No reportable actions were taken.

Mr. Rungis left the meeting at 1:50 P.M.

Approve Minutes of January 11, 2023 Regular Meeting with a Correction to the Check Numbers to Include Checks 21500-21513.

Making the Total Expenditures for January 2023 \$85,025.52

Mr. Bostock moved to approve the Board Minutes of the January 11, 2023 regular meeting with a correction to the check numbers to include checks 21500-21513 making the total expenditures for January 2023 \$85,025.52.

Mr. Leonard seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Research Report

Dr. Scott reported on arbovirus activity. No West Nile virus (WNV) or other arbovirus activity has been detected in Lake County in 2023.

No arboviral activity has been reported for California and the rest of the nation in 2023.

Dr. Scott reported on adult biting fly activity. In January, *Culiseta inornata*, were collected from the New Jersey Light Trap (NJLT) near Borax Lake and the NJLT in the Reclamation near Upper Lake.

Dr. Scott reported on tick testing. One *Ixodes pacificus* tick that was removed from a Lake County resident has been submitted to the Sonoma County Public Health Laboratory for testing for *Borrelia burgdorferi*. The tick was negative for Lyme disease.

Dr. Scott reported on Clear Lake gnat, Chironominae, and Tanypodinae surveillance in Clear Lake. In the Upper Arm, Clear Lake gnat larvae decreased from 2.82 larvae per dredge in November to 2.75 larvae per dredge in January. Chironominae numbers increased from 5.71 larvae per dredge in November to 6.57 larvae per dredge in January. Tanypodinae numbers increased from 1.50 larvae per dredge in November to 1.79 larvae per dredge in January.

Operation Report

The rain gauge at the LCVCD office in Lakeport received 13.2 inches of precipitation in January 2023. The cumulative rainfall for this season is 21.8 inches.

On January 1, the level of Clear Lake was at -1.61 feet on the Rumsey Gauge, and reached 4.39 feet by January 31.

The January rainfall raised the lake level by 6.0 feet and filled all the treeholes. In addition, some low-lying areas have flooded and hatched *Aedes increpitus* larvae. The lake-associated wetlands have not yet flooded, and the District is continuing to monitor those areas.

No service requests were received in January, which is typical for this time of year.

Dr. Scott and Office Manager Jacinda Franusich attended the California Special District Association's live web event for records management on January 11-12.

District Vector Biologist Michelle Koschik, Dr. Scott, Vector Control Technician Sandi Courcier, and Trustee George Spurr attended the Mosquito and Vector Control Association of California (MVCAC) Annual Conference and Board Meeting on January 29-February 1 in Anaheim, California.

Lake County Water Resources used the District's lab facilities to process water samples they collected following rain events.

The Konocti Christian Academy used the District's conference room for meetings in January.

Dr. Scott attended several webinars and online workshops offered through the California Special Districts Association (CSDA) and other professional sources. Among the webinars Dr. Scott attended were the "2023 Employment Law Update for Public Entity Employers" offered by Meyers Nave Legal Services, and CSDA's webinar titled Brown Act: Come for the Basics, Stay for the Updates.

Dr. Scott's Certified Special District Manager renewal was approved in January by the Special District Leadership Foundation (SDLF), which is affiliated with the CSDA.

In February Dr. Scott will attend the Employer Risk Management Authority (ERMA) Annual Workshop and Board Meeting in Napa, California. In addition, Dr. Scott and Office Manager Jacinda Franusich will attend the Vector Control Joint Powers Agency Annual Workshop and Board Meeting in Santa Cruz, California.

District field and laboratory staff will attend the American Mosquito Control Association's Annual Conference in Reno, Nevada on February 27-March 3, 2023.

Approve Checks for the Month of February 2023

Mr. Nagy moved to approve Check Nos. 21514-21558 for the month of February 2023 in the amount of \$67,418.54. Mr. Spurr seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Other Business

Office Manager Jacinda Franusich reminded the Board that the Annual Statements of Economic Interest-Form 700 are due in the Lake County Auditor's Office by the end of February.

Announcement of the Next Board Meeting

The next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Lake County Vector Control District will be at 1:30 PM on March 15, 2023 in the LCVCD Board Room, 410 Esplanade, Lakeport, CA 95453.

Mr. Nagy moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Bostock seconded the motion. There being no other business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned by President Giamb Bruno at 2:08 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronald Nagy
Secretary