

**MINUTES OF THE
SALT LAKE CITY MOSQUITO ABATEMENT DISTRICT
April 19, 2012
BOARD MEETING**

1. Roll Call:

Presiding: Dr. Dagmar Vitek, Board Chair

Time: 12:30 PM

Place: 2020 North Redwood Road, Salt Lake City, Utah 84116

Trustees Present: Dr. Dagmar Vitek, Chair
La Vone Liddle, Vice Chair
G.E. 'Deac' Thomas
Todd Erskine (arrived during agenda item #3)
Maureen M. Wilson

Trustees Excused: None

Others Present: Sammie Lee Dickson, Manager
Sally Beagley, District Secretary
Banugopan Kesavaraju, District Biologist

2. Approval of the March 15, 2012, Minutes of the March Monthly Board Meeting:

Trustee Liddle made a motion to accept the March 15, 2012, Minutes of the March Board Meeting as presented. Trustee Wilson seconded the motion and it passed with a unanimous vote.

3. Presentation of March 2012 Financial Statements and Approval of Bills for Payment:

Manager Dickson reviewed the March financial statements with the Board. All expenditures were reviewed with special attention paid to those in excess of \$500. A review was also made of any budget line items that were over the expected percentage of spending for this time of the budget year.

Expenses for March totaled \$199,701.70 with \$199,701.70 from the General Fund and \$0.00 from the Capital Projects Fund. Trustee Erskine made a motion to accept the March financial statement and to pay the bills as presented. The motion was seconded by Trustee Thomas and passed with a unanimous vote.

4. 2011 Tax Settlement with the Salt Lake County Treasurer:

The property taxes collected in 2011 are used to support the 2012 General Fund Budget. The 2012 General Fund Budget had expected revenue of \$1,908,000 in property taxes and fee-in-lieu. The Salt Lake County Treasurer sent the final settlement for 2011 in late March. The total revenue from property taxes and fee-in-lieu was \$1,936,639. This was \$28,639 more than budgeted.

5. RDA Disbursement:

On April 17, 2012, the District received a check from Salt Lake City Redevelopment Agency for \$17,613.36. This money is the result of the SLC RDA Central Business District Extension Agreement. The 2012 General Fund Budget did not include any money from SLC RDA.

The increase in property tax and SLC RDA revenue will be reviewed when the District opens the 2012 Budgets in the June Board Meeting.

6. Approval of Bids to Sell Surplus Property:

Three ATV's, two vehicles, and an ATV trailer that had been declared as surplus District property were placed by the entrance to the facility each work day from April 2 through April 16. There was only one bid received on the 2006 Polaris 6X6 ATV, All Seasons Housing for \$2,792. There were ten bids received for the 2008 Honda 4X4 ATV with manual shift with the highest by Randy Salt for \$2,850. Seven bids were received for the 2008 Honda 4X4 ATV with electric shift, with highest from Randy Salt in the amount of \$2,965.52. However, since Mr. Salt is the high bid on the manual shift ATV he does not want both vehicles. The next highest bid for the 2008 Honda 4X4 ATV with electric shift was Kenneth Sykes at \$2,650.00. The 2004 S-10 Blazer had only two bids placed on it with the higher from Bret Wahlen for \$7,075.00. Four bids were received for the 2002 S-10 4X4 pickup truck, with the highest from Curtis Parker for \$7,777.00. There were eight bids submitted for the ATV trailer with the highest from Kenneth Sykes at \$450.00.

Trustee Thomas made a motion to sell the surplus District property to the highest bidder, except for the 2008 Honda 4X4 ATV with electric shift, which will go to the second highest bid. The motion was seconded by Trustee Liddle and passed with a unanimous vote.

The 2012 General Fund has expected revenue of \$12,000 for sale of surplus property in 2012. The approved sale of this surplus property will result in revenue of \$23,596.

7. Facility Maintenance:

The contract for the painting of all exterior doors of the pesticide shed and vehicle storage building, which was signed last fall, but was delayed because of cold weather, will start up on April 23, 2012.

The District received one bid, in the amount of \$10,546.85, from Americom for the replacement of the District's telephone system. Manager Dickson will attempt to get competitive bids from other vendors before the May Board Meeting.

The handicapped parking stalls need to be restriped. Manager Dickson will be seeking competitive bids.

The additional revenue that has been received from property taxes and SLC RDA will allow the District to pursue the design and remodeling of the shower area in the men's locker room. It is projected that this can be accomplished by the end of the year.

8. No-Spray List:

During the past month the District has received approximately twelve new requests to be placed on the District's No-Spray List because of beehives. It appears that the increase is in response to a letter sent to beekeepers by the Utah Department of Agriculture & Food asking them to inform their local mosquito control agency of the location of their bees to better protect them from any spraying that the MAD's may do. In the past eighteen months, the UDA&F has investigated four complaints in which MAD's were accused of killing bees. In all four cases, there was no finding that the MAD's had anything to do with the bee die-offs.

After receiving the requests to be placed on the No-Spray List, Manager Dickson has met with beekeepers from Utah County, Grand County and the Utah Beekeepers Association in a proactive effort to inform beekeepers on how the District operates and what can be done to further protect their bees while still protecting public health through mosquito control.

9. Report on Attended and Reminder of Upcoming Meetings:

Biologist Kesavaraju and Manager Dickson attended the Utah State Auditor training for local government agencies held on April 12, 2012.

The Utah Mosquito Abatement Association Annual Workshop will be held on Saturday, April 21, 2012, at the Utah Local Governments Trust office at 55 S. Highway 89 in North Salt Lake. It is expected that more than 150 mosquito workers from around the state will be in attendance.

The AMCA Washington Conference will be held in Alexandria, VA, April 29 through May 2, 2012. Vice Chair Liddle, Biologist Kesavaraju and Manager

Dickson will attend this meeting. A total of six people from Utah will attend this meeting. Manager Dickson has arranged a pre-conference meeting to organize congressional visits and the message to be given. The pre-conference meeting will be held April 23, 2012, at the District's office.

Biologist Kesavaraju will be meeting with the faculty of the Public Health Department at the University of Utah on Friday, April 20, to see if the department and the District can work together to offer some sort of internship .

10. Manager's Report:

The lack of precipitation in March has given way to several storms in April that have refilled low lying areas. With temperatures projected to reach record highs in the coming week, the crew will be busy as mosquito larvae hatch in large numbers.

The Great Salt Lake elevation is 3.1 feet above the level at this time last year. That means that 300,000 more acres are under water around the edges of the lake this year. This can work in our favor in killing grasses and *Phragmites* that have started to grow in the lake bottom.

The District has five seasonal employees working during most of April. Only one seasonal position remains to be filled.

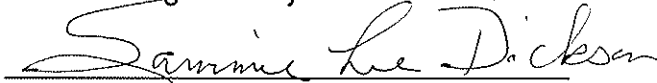
11. Probable Agenda Items for the May 17, 2012, Board Meeting:

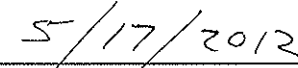
The following items will be placed on the May 17, Board Meeting Agenda: seasonal crew, seasonal control efforts and possible telephone system bids.

The May 17, 2012, Board Meeting will be preceded by a box lunch at noon with the meeting to begin at 12:30 PM at the District office.

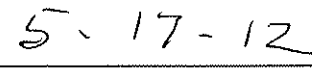
12. Adjournment:

Trustee Liddle made a motion to adjourn the April Board Meeting. The motion was seconded by Trustee Thomas and passed with a unanimous vote. The meeting was adjourned at 1:45 PM.


Sammie Lee Dickson, District Manager


Date


Dr. Dagmar Vitek, Board Chair


Date