

**MINUTES OF THE
SALT LAKE CITY MOSQUITO ABATEMENT DISTRICT
February 16, 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
Raymond Uno (excused after item #7 at 1:30 PM)

Trustees Excused: None

Others Present: Sammie Lee Dickson, Manager
Dennis Kiyoguchi, Assistant Manager
Sally Beagley, District Secretary
Banugopan Kesavaraju, District Biologist
Maureen Wilson, Project Coordinator, Utah Reclamation
Mitigation and Conservation Commission

2. Approval of the January 19, 2012, Minutes of the January Monthly Board Meeting:

Trustee Erskine offered the following corrections to the draft minutes: item #6, first paragraph, last sentence, add a comma after '2012,' item #10, first paragraph, last word, remove apostrophe from 'ATVs,' and, item #12, first sentence, replace 'December' with 'January.' Trustee Thomas made a motion to accept the January 19, 2012, Minutes of the January Board Meeting with the above corrections. Trustee Liddle seconded the motion and it passed with a unanimous vote.

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

Manager Dickson reviewed the January 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 January totaled \$103,292.43 with \$103,292.43 from the General Fund and \$0.00 from the Capital Projects Fund. Trustee Liddle made a motion to accept the January financial statement and to pay the bills as presented. The motion was seconded by Trustee Thomas and passed with a unanimous vote.

4. Board Member Appointment Update:

Manager Dickson spoke with Holly Hilton of the Mayor's Office this morning. She said that she transmitted a letter from the Mayor to the Salt Lake City Council on approximately February 1, recommending the reappointment of Todd Erskine and appointment of Maureen Wilson as a replacement for Raymond Uno. She estimates that the Salt Lake City Council will put the appointments on the March 6, 2012, working group agenda.

5. Davis-Salt Lake Aerial Spray Authority (DSLASA):

Managers Hatch and Dickson met with Tim Metivier and Malcom Williams of Vector Disease Control International (VDCI) on January 23, 2012, to sign the new contract for aerial spraying.

The DSLASA attorney, Felshaw King, has asked Managers Dickson and Hatch and any DSALASA Board Members that are available to meet in his office at 9:00 AM on March 7, 2012, to prepare for the upcoming mediation.

The DSLASA Board will meet on March 8, 2012, at the MAD-Davis office at 5:00 PM. The agenda will include a discussion of attendance and strategy for the upcoming mediation and the rental of hangar space by VDCI.

The mediation attempt to settle the lawsuit involving DSLASA, R&O Construction, Axis Architects, ARW, and Stanley Engineering will take place on March 12, 2012, at the law offices of Callister, Nebecker & McCullough, Zions Bank Building, Suite 900, 10 East South Temple, Salt Lake City, UT.

6. Results of the UMAA Group Pesticide Bid:

Manager Dickson reviewed a table showing the results of the UMAA statewide pesticide bid. All products pre-ordered by the District will cost \$358,199.45. Because of the favorable bid prices, Manager Dickson ordered an additional amount of VectoBac GS granular material for an additional cost of \$8,976. The District's 2012 budget for pesticide purchase is \$380,000.

Several districts, for various reasons, do not participate in the group bid process. The total for all of the pesticide products purchased by participating districts through this bid is \$1,337,069.50.

7. Utah Pesticide Discharge Elimination System Permit:

The Utah Pesticide Discharge Elimination System (UPDES) Permit went into effect on October 31, 2011. All agencies that are covered under the permit were given until February 15, 2012, to submit a Notice of Intent (NOI) to pollute. The NOI contains a description or map of the area or waters that the permit

holder intends to apply pesticides to or over. The District submitted its NOI on January 26, 2012. The permit, produced by the Utah Department of Environmental Quality, Water Quality Division, requires that anyone submitting an NOI must have a Pesticide Discharge Management Plan (PDMP). A draft PDMP for this District was previously given to the Board Members for consideration of approval at this meeting. Trustee Uno made a motion to approve the draft PDMP with the intent that it will be modified as needed, with modifications to be approved by this Board. Trustee Erskine seconded the motion and it passed with a unanimous vote. Trustees Erskine and Liddle asked that an electronic copy be sent to them for editing of grammar and sentence structure.

The 2012 legislature was expected to set the annual fee for the UPDES permit at \$1,000. However, when it went to the appropriations committee, the fee had grown to \$2,500. Several smaller MAD's submitted comments to the co-chairs of the Natural Resources, Agriculture and Environmental Quality Appropriations Subcommittee expressing concerns over this large fee. Yesterday, the committee recommended that the costs of all UPDES fees in 2012 be paid through state funding.

8. Legislative Issues:

There is a bill, HR 872, in Congress that would eliminate the requirement for mosquito abatement districts to have an NPDES permit. The AMCA has asked its members to submit emails to President Obama asking him to encourage Senator Boxer, California, to release her hold of HR 872. This bill passed the House with large bipartisan support. There are more than 60 Senators who have stated that they will vote for the bill if it comes to the floor of the Senate for a vote. Senator Hatch signed a letter along with 17 other senators encouraging Senator Harry Reid to allow a vote on the bill. Manager Dickson sent an email to President Obama this week.

The Utah 2012 Legislature has just passed the halfway mark of this year's session. There are over 800 bills that have been filed this year. The Utah Association of Special Districts (UASD) tracks bills that it believes may affect local districts. Manager Dickson meets with this group each Tuesday during the legislative session to review these bills. Manager Dickson prepared a subset of the bills being tracked by the UASD that he believes will or could affect this District. A bill that was drafted by the UASD, SB 150, contains language that would clarify the appointment of Board Members of mosquito abatement districts. This bill appears as though it will pass.

9. Report on Attended and Reminder of Upcoming Meetings:

Nine staff members attended the West Central Mosquito & Vector Control Association Annual Meeting held in Grand Junction, CO, February 6-8. Biologist Kesavaraju gave a talk about the literature on *Aedes albopictus* and the potential for its invasion in the West Central region of the US.

Past-Chair Thomas, Vice Chair Liddle, staff members Quinten Salt, Jason Hardman, Banugopan Kesavaraju and Manager Dickson will be attending the AMCA Annual Meeting in Austin, TX, February 26 through March 1. Biologist

Kesavaraju will give a presentation about the method he developed for using a computer to estimate the number of mosquitoes collected in traps.

The Utah Mosquito Abatement Association Annual Workshop will be held on Saturday, April 21, 2012.

The AMCA Washington conference will be held in Alexandria, VA, April 29 through May 2, 2012. Vice Chair Liddle will be attending in Chair Vitek's place this year.

10. Manager's Report:

The month of January was a productive month for office paper work. The Notice of Intent to pollute and the Pesticide Discharge Management Plan for compliance with the UPDES permit were completed. The yearly inventory and depreciation schedules were completed. The 2011 Annual Report was redesigned and good progress was made on its drafting. The UMAA group pesticide bid work went smoothly.

Work around the facility and shop are progressing on schedule. All buildings have had their annual cleaning. Most equipment has been thoroughly cleaned, repaired and stored. New ATVs and trucks are nearing readiness for field work.

The Education Specialist has so far made 45 presentations, 20 since the January Board Meeting, to 1,125 elementary school age children. He hopes to make 30 more presentations before he is deployed by his Air force Guard unit in March.

The District will have just six returning seasonal workers this year. Eleven new employees must be hired and trained. To date, three new employees have been offered seasonal positions.

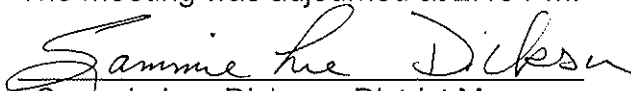
11. Probable Agenda Items for the March 15, 2012, Board Meeting:

The following items will be placed on the March 15, Board Meeting Agenda: update on DSLASA, legislative issues, hiring of seasonal employees, report on attendance of the AMCA Annual Meeting, final settlement of 2011 taxes with the Salt Lake County Treasurer and other issues.

The March 15, 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.

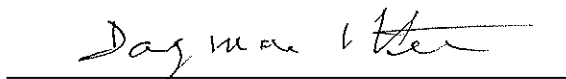
12. Adjournment:

Trustee Thomas made a motion to adjourn the February Board Meeting. The motion was seconded by Trustee Liddle and passed with a unanimous vote. The meeting was adjourned at 2:10 PM.


Sammie Lee Dickson, District Manager

3-15-2012

Date


Dr. Dagmar Vitek, Board Chair

3-15-12

Date