

**MINUTES OF THE
SALT LAKE CITY MOSQUITO ABATEMENT DISTRICT
July 18, 2013
BOARD MEETING**

1. Roll Call:

Presiding: La Vone Liddle, Chair 2013

Time: 12:30 PM

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

Trustees Present: La Vone Liddle, Board Chair
Maureen M. Wilson, Vice Chair
G.E. 'Deac' Thomas
Dr. Dagmar Vitek (arrived 12:40 @ item #4)

Trustees Excused: Todd Erskine

Others Present: Sammie Lee Dickson, Ph.D., Manager
Banugopan Kesavaraju, Ph.D., Assistant Manager/Biologist
Sally Beagley, District Secretary
No members of the public were present

2. Approval of the Minutes of the June 20, 2013, Certified Tax Rate Adoption and Budget Amendment Hearing:

Trustee Thomas made a motion to approve the Minutes of the June 20, 2013, Certified Tax Rate Adoption and Budget Amendment Hearing as presented. The motion was seconded by Trustee Wilson and passed with a unanimous vote.

3. Approval of the June 20, 2013, Minutes of the June Monthly Board Meeting:

Trustee Liddle proposed the following correction to the June 20, 2013, Minutes of the June Monthly Board Meeting: in item #2, in the second paragraph, in the first sentence, delete the word 'a.' Trustee Wilson made a motion to accept the June 20, 2013, Minutes of the June Board Meeting with the proposed correction. Trustee Thomas seconded the motion, which passed with a unanimous vote.

4. Presentation June 2013 Financial Statements and Approval of Bills for Payment:

Manager Dickson reviewed the June 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.

Manager Dickson explained that the largest expenditures for June included \$207,681.50 for pesticides and \$65,906.00 for contracted aerial spraying. In June, 4,263 acres were treated by the airplane for larval control. The average for June is just 637 acres. The cost to aerially treat for larvae is about \$12.00 per acre for chemical and \$6.00 per acre for the aerial contractor. Thus, \$76,734 was spent in June, of this year, for aerial larviciding compared to the three-year average of \$11,466. Field Supervisor Hardman observed that last fall most of the duck hunting clubs sprayed herbicide to kill the invasive plant *Phragmites australis*. This spring most of the *Phragmites* were burned leaving thousands more of acres in which mosquito larvae could develop. The problem was compounded by the duck hunting clubs keeping standing water over all of the burned areas to inhibit the regrowth of *Phragmites*. It appears that July and August will be a repeat of the June aerial larviciding. This will mean that at the August Board Meeting a line item transfer of funds will need to be made so that additional chemical can be purchased.

Expenses for June totaled \$385,872.40 with \$385,872.40 from the General Fund and \$0.00 from the Capital Projects Fund. Trustee Thomas made a motion to accept the June financial statement and to pay the bills as presented. The motion was seconded by Trustee Vitek and passed with a unanimous vote.

5. Appoint of Representative to RDA Salt Lake City Taxing Entity Committee:

Manager Dickson was contacted by Crayola Bergen, Office Manager Redevelopment Agency of Salt Lake City, requesting that the District appoint a person to serve a two year term on the Taxing Entity Committee. In 2009, the 'Remaining Taxing Entities', Metropolitan Water District of Salt Lake & Sandy, Central Utah Water Conservancy District, Salt Lake City Mosquito Abatement District, and the Salt Lake City Public Library, agreed upon a schedule for appointing the person to represent these small agencies on the Taxing Entity Committee. Manager Dickson said that he would be happy to serve on the committee, but the first meeting is the annual meeting on September 20 and he will be in St. George attending a workshop with the Utah Association of Special Districts. One solution is to appoint Manager Dickson as the committee representative and to also appoint Chair Liddle as the alternate.

The following resolution was proposed by Trustee Vitek and seconded by Trustee Wilson. The resolution was approved with a unanimous vote.

RESOLUTION NO. 7-18-2013

A RESOLUTION REGARDING THE APPOINTMENT OF A REPRESENTATIVE TO SERVE ON THE TAXING ENTITY COMMITTEE FOR THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF SALT LAKE CITY

WHEREAS, the Redevelopment Agency of Salt Lake City ("Agency") was created to transact the business and exercise the powers provided for in Section 17C-1-101 et seq. of the Utah Code,

Limited Purpose Local Government Entities----Community Development and Renewal Agencies (the "Act"); and

WHEREAS, Section 17C-1-402 of the Act requires that the Agency create a taxing entity committee for any urban renewal or economic development project area plan; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 17C-1-402, the taxing entity committee for the Agency will consist of six members, with two members appointed by the Salt Lake City School District, two members appointed by Salt Lake City, one member appointed by the State Board of Education and one member "selected by majority vote of the legislative bodies or governing boards of all other taxing entities that levy a tax on property within the agency's boundaries, to represent the interests of those taxing entities. ..." Currently those "Remaining Taxing Entities" are Metropolitan Water District of Salt Lake & Sandy, Central Utah Water Conservancy District, Salt Lake City Mosquito Abatement District, and Salt Lake City Public Library; and

WHEREAS, each of the Remaining Taxing Entities, desires, in lieu of election of a representative to the taxing entity committee, to rotate the appointment of the joint representative of the Remaining Taxing Entities to the taxing entity committee by allowing each Remaining Tax Entity the right to appoint a representative for a period of two years according to an agreed upon schedule.

WHEREAS, the person representing the Remaining Taxing Entities on the Taxing Entity Committee for each two year period that commenced on November 15, 2009 shall be appointed on a rotating basis by the governing board of the Remaining Taxing Entity listed below next to the specified two year period:

September 15, 2009 - September 14, 2011 Central Utah Water Conservancy District

September 15, 2011- September 14, 2013 of Metropolitan Water District of Salt Lake & Sandy

September 15, 2013 - September 14, 2015 Salt Lake City Mosquito Abatement District

September 15, 2015 - September 14, 2017 Salt Lake City Public Library;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the SALT LAKE CITY MOSQUITO ABATEMENT DISTRICT'S Manager, Sammie Lee Dickson, Ph.D., will serve September 15, 2013, to September 14, 2015 as the person representing the Remaining Taxing Entities on the Taxing Entity Committee of the Redevelopment Agency of Salt Lake City.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the SALT LAKE CITY MOSQUITO ABATEMENT DISTRICT'S Board Chair, La Vone Liddle, will serve September 15, 2013, to September 14, 2015 as the alternate person representing the Remaining Taxing Entities on the Taxing Entity Committee of the Redevelopment Agency of Salt Lake City.

6. Approval of Purchase of an Ice Machine:

When the District built the new facility in 1993, part of the equipment that was installed was a Scotsman Ice Machine. In the past week, Mechanic Feragen discovered that several of the mechanical parts within the ice machine are failing and oil is leaking into the dispensed ice. The ice machine is used by almost all of the District's employees on a daily basis for filling up their coolers and CamelBak's with water and ice. Manager Dickson has obtained pricing for a replacement ice machine from at least seven companies. Prices range from a low of \$4,768.99 to \$5,858.02. Trustee Vitek made a motion to purchase a Scotsman Ice Machine, model MDT5N40A-1 with matching stand, DMS21S-B, for a total price of \$4,768.99. Trustee Wilson seconded the motion which passed with a unanimous vote.

7. Liability Insurance Rebate:

The District will be receiving a dividend of \$3,489.50 from the Utah Local Governmental Trust. The dividend is based on the outstanding results of the ULDT liability insurance program.

8. Indoor Fish Rearing Facility:

During the past winter, all but just a few of the mosquito fish in the two outdoor ponds died from the extremely cold temperatures. Currently, the District has three 500 gallon stock watering tanks that can be used to hold mosquito fish indoors for a limited period of time. There is a company in California that has been building a system designed to hold and raise mosquito fish indoors. In the 2013 Capital Projects Fund Budget, there is \$20,000 for the purchase for one of these systems. It was our goal to purchase one of these units this summer so by the end of the season it could be stocked and hold and possibly raise some fish during the winter. Due to the unexpected cost of aerial larval spraying, Manager Dickson would like to delay this project until later in the mosquito season in case those funds are needed for other areas of the budget.

9. Report on Attended and Reminder of Upcoming Training / Meetings:

The UMAA Annual Meeting to be held October 6-8, 2013, at Ruby's Inn, Bryce, Utah.

The Utah Association of Special Districts Annual Meeting will be held in Provo, November 6-8, 2013.

10. Manager's Report:

As of July 1, the mosquito season is half over. This year there has been 24 human cases of WNV across the country. Last year at this time, there were 10 human cases and the total count ended up being over 5,200 confirmed cases. As of last week, the only WNV detected in Utah was 11 positive mosquito pools in Washington County.

As mentioned in agenda item 4, the District has had to do an unprecedented amount of aerial larvicide treatment this year. Field supervisor Hardman believes that because of the duck hunting clubs attempts at eliminating the Phragmites invasive plant that their water management will necessitate much larger acreages having to be treated for the rest of the season.

Out of 22 traps that were put out on the night of July 15, six caught more than 6,000 mosquitoes each and two traps had approximately 10,000 adult female mosquitoes each. As of this meeting, the District has sent in 617 mosquito pools to the Utah State Health Laboratory for viral testing.

11. Probable Agenda Items for the August 15, 2013, Board Meeting:

The August Board Meeting will be held on August 15, 2013, at the District office, beginning at 12:30 PM. Box lunches will be available for Trustees beginning at noon.

Probable items on the agenda will be: discussion on the purchase of new vehicles, a line item transfer of funds within the General Fund for the purchase of additional chemicals, a report on West Nile Virus, control activities and the normal business issues.

12. Adjournment:

Trustee Thomas made a motion to adjourn the July Board Meeting. The motion was seconded by Trustee Wilson and passed with a unanimous vote. The meeting was adjourned at 1:40 PM.


Sammie Lee Dickson, District Manager

8/15/2013
Date


La Vone Liddle, Board Chair

08/15/2013
Date

