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Minutes of the Board of Trustees – Wednesday, July 14, 2021

1. Roll Call:

Present: Greg Gomez, President; Belen Gomez, Secretary, Michael Cavanagh, Larry Roberts, Linda Gutierrez, Rosemary Hellwig, and Kevin Caskey.

Staff: Dr. Mustapha Debboun, General Manager; Sheri Davis, Administrative Assistant; Rick Alvarez, Vector Control Supervisor.

2. New Employee Introduction:

General Manager, Dr. Mustapha Debboun introduced Vector Control Supervisor, Mr. Rick Alvarez. Mr. Alvarez gave a brief biography and was welcomed by the Board of Trustees.

3. District Transparency Certificate of Excellence:

California Special Districts Association (CSDA) Representative, Cole Karr presented the Special District Transparency Certificate of Excellence to the General Manager and the Board of Trustees. The Delta Mosquito and Vector Control District is committed to operating in a transparent and ethical manner.

4. Consent Calendar:

The Administrative Assistant provided information on the following items:

Board Order #1 – 35456 Kronke Enterprises – Right-hand drive Jeep Wrangler.

Board Order #2 – 35533 VCJPA – Property & Liability increased from draft budget.

Following discussion, it was moved by Michael Cavanagh, seconded by Larry Roberts, and the Board members unanimously approved the consent calendar as presented.

5. Staff Report:

The General Manager reported that the COVID-19 Prevention Program was updated with the new Cal-OSHA requirements.

The Foothills Sun-Gazette reporter, Reggie Ellis interviewed the General Manger and published an article this week.

Tulare Mosquito Abatement District has a right-hand jeep that they no longer need. We are working out the details to transfer the jeep to Delta MVCD.

Mosquito and Vector Control Association of California (MVCAC) recognized Delta MVCD as the agency spotlight with our new logo and name change.

6. Enterprise Fleet Management:

The General Manager reported that three vehicles have been received from Enterprise Fleet Management, and the remaining seven vehicles are scheduled for delivery at the end of the year.

7. Public Forum:

A member of the public was present and disagreed with the invasive *Aedes aegypti* Benefit Assessment.

8. Benefit Assessment:

The General Manager provided an update on the Benefit Assessment. Approximately 80,000 ballots were mailed out on 6/4/2021. As of 7/12/21, the Tulare County Registrar of Voters has received 8,907 ballots.

There will be a Special Meeting with a public hearing on 7/21/21, which will be the last day to receive ballots. Ballot results will be presented at a Special Meeting on 7/28/2021.

9. Surveillance Report:

The General Manager provided an update on mosquito surveillance information for the state, central region, and local community.

10. Policies.

The General Manager presented the updated Holiday Policy 3004.

Following discussion, it was moved by Kevin Caskey and seconded by Michael Cavanagh to not approve the updated Holiday Policy. There were for four ayes, and one no vote.

11. Closed Session Case Review/Planning

Adjourned to closed session pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9 of Division 3.6 of Title I.

12. Adjournment:

It was moved by Michael Cavanagh, seconded by Kevin Caskey, and unanimously approved to adjourn the meeting of the District Board of Trustees. The meeting was adjourned at 5:35 p.m.

Dr. Mustapha Debboun, Recording Secretary