

**MINUTES OF THE
SALT LAKE CITY MOSQUITO ABATEMENT DISTRICT
August 18, 2011
BOARD MEETING**

1. Roll Call:

Presiding: G. E. 'Deac' Thomas, Board Chair

Time: 12:30 PM

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

Trustees Present: G.E. 'Deac' Thomas, Chair
Dr. Dagmar Vitek, Vice Chair (arrived 12:42 item # 3)
Raymond Uno
La Vone Liddle (arrived 12:36 item # 3)
Todd Erskine

Trustees Excused: None

Others Present: Sammie Lee Dickson, Manager
Dennis Kiyoguchi, Assistant Manager
Sally Beagley, District Secretary
Banugopan Kesavaraju, District Biologist
No members of the public were present

2. Approval of the July 21, 2011, Minutes of the July Monthly Board Meeting:

Trustee Erskine made a motion to accept the July 21, 2011, Minutes of the July Board Meeting as presented. Trustee Uno seconded the motion and it passed with a unanimous vote.

3. Presentation of July 2011 Financial Statements and Approval of Bills for Payment:

Manager Dickson reviewed the July financial statements with the Board. All expenditures in excess of \$500 were reviewed. 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 July totaled \$191,284.21 with \$185,869.40 from the General Fund and \$5,414.81 from the Capital Projects Fund. Trustee Liddle made a motion to accept the July financial statement and to pay the bills as presented. The motion was seconded by Trustee Vitek and passed with a unanimous vote.

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

The District received a letter from Cass Butler, attorney representing R&O Construction, dated August 9, 2011. The letter stated that R&O Construction was moving forward with the lawsuit against DSLASA with Axis Architects, ARW Engineering and Stanley Consultants as third party defendants/plaintiffs. Attached to the letter was the 'Rule 26(f) Attorneys Planning Report and Proposed Scheduling Order.' If this schedule is followed the case would go to trial in January 2013. The document states that R&O Construction does not believe that mediation will work for this case, however, several days for possible mediation, September 13-14, 19-20 and 21, were included in the letter. DSLASA has agreed to four of those dates. The key to this mediation being successful is to get all parties in attendance along with the attorney representing Axis Architects errors and omissions insurance. DSLASA will hold a Board Meeting prior to mediation in order to give Managers Hatch and Dickson a monetary level that they would be allowed to use in settling this issue.

5. Compliance Review by Utah State Retirement Systems:

The Utah Retirement Systems picked this District to perform a compliance review on compliance requirements related to participation in the state retirement system. The review was completed on August 5. There were two findings: failure to notify the URS when an employee returned from military duty and a suggestion to take additional training offered by the URS.

6. Report on Attended and Reminder of Upcoming Meetings:

District staff and seasonal workers participated in viewing an AMCA webinar on July 28. The webinar titled 'Give em what they want...' gave information on dealing with the public.

The Utah Mosquito Abatement Association Annual Meeting will be held at the Marriott Hotel in Park City October 2-4, 2011. Secretary Beagley has registered and booked hotel rooms for all Trustees and staff.

The Utah Association of Special Districts Annual Meeting will be held at the Davis County Convention Center November 2-4, 2011. The first day will begin at 11:00 AM and consist of workshops. Thursday will be a full day of talks, followed by a half day on Friday. Sally Beagley has registered and booked rooms for all of the Trustees, as well as, Biologist Kesavaraju and Manager Dickson.

Biologist Kesavaraju has been registered to attend the Entomological Society of America Annual Meeting in Reno, NV, November 13-16, 2011.

7. Managers Report:

During the month of July, water flows continued to be very high. This resulted in a lot of standing water. As the temperatures increased so did the

mosquito production in the wetlands. With the use of CO₂ baited traps in the wetlands, huge numbers of mosquitoes were trapped, 76,352 *Cx. tarsalis* and 63,935 *Oc. dorsalis*. Since this is a new trapping strategy this year, there are no past comparisons to be made. Biologist Kesavaraju explained that the new trapping system allows for better targeting of areas for adulticiding, hopefully leading to better, but less spraying.

Total acreage sprayed during the month was above normal in most categories, with 66,498 acres treated during the month. Service requests were down due to the eventual die off of tree hole mosquitoes in the city.

The level of West Nile Virus in Utah is non-existent except in Moab where 13 positive mosquito pools have been found this year. Across the country there have been just 53 human cases as of August 16.

8. Bid to Purchase Ultrasonic Weather Station:

Manager Dickson explained that District staff comes back in the evening to do ground adulticide treatments. Many times they get out to the office and find that it is too windy and no spraying can be done. Manager Dickson received a bid from New Mountain Innovations for an ultrasonic weather station that could be mounted on the roof of the District office. This device has no moving parts, and thus, it is virtually maintenance free. It has the capability for staff to check the wind conditions at the District, either online or through their cell phones, before they leave home. Trustee Liddle made a motion to purchase an nm150 ultrasonic weather station from New Mountain Innovations for \$1,549. Since this item is a unique product, comparable bids are not available. The motion was seconded by Trustee Erskine and passed with a unanimous vote.


9. Probable Agenda Items for August 18, 2011, Meeting:

The September 15, 2011, Board Meeting will be held at 12:30 PM. A box lunch will be available for Trustees at noon.

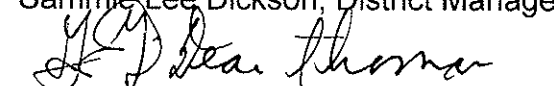
The following items will be placed on the September Board Meeting Agenda: presentation of DSLASA lawsuit/mediation update; possible bids for building and facility maintenance; bids to sell three ATV's and two trucks as surplus property; and, the progress of the mosquito control season.

10. Adjournment:

Trustee Vitek made a motion to adjourn the August Board Meeting. The motion was seconded by Trustee Liddle and passed with a unanimous vote. The meeting was adjourned at 2:08 PM.


Sammie Lee Dickson, District Manager

9/15/2011
Date


G.E. 'Deac' Thomas, Board Chairman

9/15/11
Date

