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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Northwest Mosquito Abatement District was held at 7:00 pm Wednesday, October 20, 2021 at 147 West Hintz Road, Wheeling, IL.

There being a presence of a quorum, Daniel R. Ansani, President called the meeting to order.

Trustees present: Daniel R. Ansani, President; Dale Niewiardowski, Vice President / Assistant Treasurer and Assistant Secretary; Raymond Kincaid, Secretary; Russell Nowak, Treasurer

Trustees absent: None

Also present: James Thennisch, Director; Carolyn Strahammer Attorney; Patrick Irwin Assistant Director; Ewa Migacz Office Manager.

The minutes of the September 2021 meeting were read. Trustee Raymond Kincaid made a motion to accept the minutes as read, Trustee Dale Niewiardowski seconded the motion.

The Secretary called the roll and all ayes had been cast for approval of the motion and thereby declared the motion carried.

The Treasurer's Report for September 2021 was presented, and all checks were approved for payment. Trustee Dale Niewiardowski made a motion to accept the report as read and Trustee Raymond Kincaid seconded the motion.

The Secretary called the roll and all ayes had been cast for approval of the motion and thereby declared the motion carried.

Attorney Carolyn Strahammer presented the County Treasurer's report for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 for the Trustee approval. The office will file the statement and the attachments with the District Portal County website.

Trustee Dale Niewiardowski made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Statement and Trustee Raymond Kincaid seconded the motion.

The Secretary called the roll and all ayes had been cast for approval of the motion and thereby declared the motion carried.

Ms. Strahammer updated the Board on the status of Sears Litigation.

Trustee Russell Nowak made a motion to accept the settlement agreement and Trustee Raymond Kincaid seconded the motion.

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The Secretary called the roll and all ayes had been cast for approval of the motion and thereby declared the motion carried.

President Ansani signed Settlement Agreement.

The Attorney presented the Annual Comptroller report certification for Trustee's signature and verification.

Carolyn Strahammer presented the Board with a Resolution Authorizing the Destruction of Certain Verbatim Records. Trustee Russel Nowak made a motion to approve the resolution and Trustee Raymond Kincaid seconded the motion.

The Secretary called the roll and all ayes had been cast for approval of the motion and thereby declared the motion carried.

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DESTRUCTION
OF CERTAIN VERBATIM RECORDS

WHEREAS, the Illinois Open Meetings Act, (5 ILCS 120/) provides for certain procedures governing the maintenance of verbatim records of closed meetings; and

WHEREAS, the provisions of the Illinois Open Meetings Act provides for the destruction of verbatim records of closed session meetings that are at least 18 months old and further provides that the minutes pertaining to those particular closed session meetings must be approved by the public body that conducted the closed session meeting; and

WHEREAS, on this date, October 20, 2021 the Board of the NORTHWEST MOSQUITO ABATEMENT DISTRICT did meet in executive session to review minutes of closed session meetings; and

WHEREAS, on this date the Board of the NORTHWEST MOSQUITO ABATEMENT DISTRICT determined that no further executive session minutes should be released to the public since the reasons to maintain those particular minutes as confidential still apply; and

WHEREAS, the DISTRICT currently maintains verbatim recordings of closed session minutes that are more than 18 months old; and

WHEREAS, the written minutes of those closed sessions more than 18 months old have all been approved by the DISTRICT'S Trustees.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of the NORTHWEST MOSQUITO ABATEMENT DISTRICT, Cook County, Illinois as follows;

SECTION 1: That the NORTHWEST MOSQUITO ABATEMENT DISTRICT currently maintains and has approved minutes of the closed session

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meetings conducted on the dates as contained in Exhibit A, attached to this Resolution.

SECTION 2: That the verbatim records of the closed session meetings conducted on the dates as contained in Exhibit A, attached to this Resolution, are more than 18 months old and that the Illinois Open Meetings Act permits the destruction of said verbatim records.

SECTION 3: The Director is hereby authorized to destroy any and all verbatim records of closed session meetings conducted on the dates as contained in Exhibit A attached to this Resolution.

ADOPTED BY THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES of the NORTHWEST MOSQUITO ABATEMENT DISTRICT, Cook County, Illinois this 20th Day of October, 2021.

Approved this 20th day of October 2021.

DANIEL R. ANSANI, District President

ATTEST:

Dale Niewiardowski, Assistant Secretary

Attorney Strahammer noted that compliance with the Open Meetings Act is scheduled for today's executive session.

Assistant Director Patrick Irwin presented the Entomology report. Dr. Irwin reported that all traps have been collected for off season storage. There were 5 suspected cases of WNV in the district in 2021. The IDPH and IEPA annual reports are in process. Dr. Irwin is working on larvicide resistance testing. The Assistant Director updated the Board on the communication with CDC's chief entomologist in regards of the District Cluex mosquito research projects. Dr. Irwin is also in collaboration with colleagues from the University of Illinois to determine which gravid traps provide the most useful information for predicting human cases of WNV.

The IMVCA meeting is scheduled in person on November 18th and 19th 2021.

Director Thennisch updated the Board on the status of the COVID-19 adjustments. The District continues to follow all recommendations for employee and resident's safety.

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Director Thennisch presented the Field Operations report. Altosid briquettes have been ordered to take advantage of last year pricing.

Director Thennisch informed the Board of Trustees that the annual Audit was published in Daily Herald on October 12, 2021.

Director Thennisch presented the Internal Services report. Four field operation vehicles have been ordered after verification of bids from Bill Stasek Chevrolet.

The Trustees inquired about incorporating usage of electric vehicles into the District fleet, Director Thennisch informed that the District is searching for the best option.

Trustees discussed the completion of LED lighting project at Wheeling location, and replacement of radio antenna cable.

Trustee Dale Niewiardowski made a motion to approve Led Lighting proposal and radio antenna cable replacement proposal, Trustee Russell Nowak seconded the motion.

The Secretary called the roll and all ayes had been cast for approval of the motion and thereby declared the motion carried.

Mr. Thennisch informed that collective bargaining agreement negotiations are scheduled for October 27.

Director James Thennisch presented the Workers Compensation Insurance renewal proposal received from A.J. Gallagher.

Trustee Raymond Kincaid made a motion to approve A.J. Gallagher proposal for Workers Compensation Insurance renewal 2021/2022 ICW Group. Trustee Russell Nowak seconded the motion.

The Secretary called the roll and all ayes had been cast for approval of the motion and thereby declared the motion carried.

At 7:23 pm Trustee Russell Nowak made a motion to adjourn into Executive Session pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2). Trustee Dale Niewiardowski seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

A motion to return to an open meeting was made by Ray Kincaid, seconded by Trustee Dale Niewiardowski and passed unanimously. It is now 7.35 p.m.

President, Daniel Ansani stated there has been an executive session pursuant to Section 2 of the Open Meetings Act, and that the Trustees had voiced their opinions but had not voted.

Trustee Dale Niewiardowski moved that the written Executive Session

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minutes of April 21, 2021 and June 23, 2021 should be affirmed as substantially correct and that there is no need to review the recordings of said minutes. The motion was seconded by Trustee Ray Kincaid.

The Secretary called the roll. Ayes: Daniel Ansani, Raymond Kincaid, Dale Niewiardowski, Russell Nowak. The motion was carried.

Dale Niewiardowski made a second motion. Since there is still a need for confidentiality as to the minutes of April 21, 2021 and June 23, 2021, meeting and all prior Executive Session minutes which have not yet been made public, Trustee Dale Niewiardowski moved that the minutes of April 21, 2021 and June 23, 2021, meeting and all prior Executive Sessions not previously made public should remain confidential and therefore not made public. Trustee Raymond Kincaid seconded the motion.

The Secretary called the roll. Ayes: Daniel Ansani, Raymond Kincaid, Dale Niewiardowski, Russell Nowak. The motion was carried.

There being no further business to come before the Board a motion was made by Trustee Ray Kincaid to adjourn and seconded by Trustee Dale Niewiardowski; the motion passed unanimously at 7:37 p.m.

President

Secretary