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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 7:00 pm Wednesday, March 17, 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; Russell Nowak, Treasurer; Dale Niewiardowski, Vice President, Assistant Treasurer /Secretary.

Trustees absent: Raymond Kincaid, Secretary

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

The minutes of the February 17, 2021 meeting were read. Russell Nowak made a motion to accept the minutes as read and Dale Niewiardowski seconded the motion.

The President 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 February 17, 2021 was presented, and all checks were approved for payment. Trustee Dale Niewiardowski made a motion to accept the report as read and Trustee Russell Nowak seconded the motion.

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

Attorney Carolyn Strahammer reminded the Board that the Budget and Appropriation Ordinance will be approved at a special meeting on April 7<sup>th</sup> and the Tax Levy Ordinance will be approved at the regular April board meeting. The Attorney also mentioned that everyone should receive information from the County Clerk about filing their ethics statements. The Trustees will need to approve the Ordinance transferring funds and review the Executive Session minutes at the regular April 21, 2021 Board meeting. Attorney Strahammer informed the Board that there was an application submitted by a resident for open

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trustee position.

Assistant Director Patrick Irwin presented the Entomology report. Assistant Director gave updates on lab assistants hired and progress in next seasons trap setting. Dr. Irwin attempted to contact the Northwest Central dispatch system to utilize their citizen alert system for prior notification of adult mosquito control treatments. Assistant Director continues to monitor tunnels for diapause Cluex mosquitoes. Dr. Irwin conducted a 10-year retrospective examination of the weather conditions to determine how often during July, August and September conditions were met to perform adult mosquito control treatment.

Director Thennisch presented the general operations overview and preparation for the 2021/2022 season. Mr. Thennisch presented the Engagement Letter form McClure Inserra & Company, Chartered for 2020-2021 fiscal year Audit.

Trustee Russell Nowak made a motion to accept the McClure Inserra & Co. for annual Audit 2020/2021, and Trustee Dale Niewiardowski seconded the motion.

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

Director Thennisch stated that the District is in the process of General District insurance renewal. The District finalized the Workers Compensation Audit with credit issued to the District due to Covid adjustments.

Mr. Thennisch gave an update regarding the opening on negotiations with members of collective bargaining unit.

The District is considering researching on electric service vehicle for mosquito trap collections for 2025. The Trustees disused the option and proposes to revisit it in the future.

At 7:29 pm Russell Nowak made a motion to adjourn into Executive Session pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2), and Dale Niewiardowski seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

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

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The Board reconvened the regular Board meeting at 7:42PM.

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.

Trustees discussed employment issues for 2021/2022 season.

Mr. Veverka updated on pending litigation. Trustee Niewiardowski made a motion to allow Attorney Veverka to continue as a special counsel representing the District in the pending litigation, Trustee Nowak seconded the motion.

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

There being no further business to come before the Board a motion was made by Russell Nowak to adjourn and seconded by Dale Niewiardowski; the motion passed unanimously at 7.45 p.m.

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President

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Vice President Assistant Secretary/Treasurer