**ANTELOPE VALLEY MOSQUITO AND VECTOR CONTROL DISTRICT**

**460th MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

**42624 6TH STREET EAST, LANCASTER, CALIFORNIA 93535**

**(661) 942-2917**

**JUNE 27, 2024**

**4:00 P.M.**

**MINUTES**

**TRUSTEES PRESENT**: David Gantenbein, Tierney Smith-Woods and Cei Kratz.

**TRUSTEES ABSENT**: Elvie Ancheta and Cado Dhinsa.

**STAFF PRESENT**: Leann Verdick and Carolyn Etherton (consultant)

**OPENING**: President Gantenbein called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**: limit to 3 minutes:

An opportunity for members of the public to address the Board on items of interest that are within the Board’s subject matter jurisdiction, and are not otherwise posted on the agenda. No members of the public were present.

**APPROVAL OF MAY 23, 2024 MEETING MINUTES**

Trustee Smith-Woods moved to approve the Minutes. Trustee Kratz seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF MAY EFT’S AND WARRANTS FOR A TOTAL OF $81,360.91**

Trustee Kratz moved to approve EFT’s and Warrants. Trustee Gantenbein seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF REQUISITION NO. 1753 FOR A TOTAL OF $100,000.00**

Trustee Kratz moved to approve the Requisition. Trustee Smith-Woods seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF TAX SHARING RESOLUTIONS FOR LOS ANGELES COUNTY WATERWORKS DISTRICT NO. 40- 162; BUILDING/USE NOT SPECIFIED; LOCATED ON THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF AVENUE F AND 10TH STREET WEST**

Trustee Kratz moved to approve the Tax Sharing Resolution. Trustee Gantenbein seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**PUBLIC HEARING AND APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 2024-05, APPROVING THE**

**ENGINEER’S REPORT, ORDERING THE LEVY AND COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS WITHIN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY MOSQUITO AND VECTOR CONTROL DISTRICT BENEFIT ASSESSMENT DISTRICT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024/2025 AND CONFIRMING DIAGRAMS AND ASSESSMENTSPURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE CALIFORNIA HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE, DIVISION 3, THE BENEFIT ASSESSMENT ACT OF 1982, DIVISION 2, CHAPTER 6.4 OF THE CALIFORNIA GOVERNMENT CODE AND AS PROVIDED BY ARTICLE XIII D OF THE CALIFORNIA CONSTITUTION.**

Trustee Gantenbein moved to approve Annual Levy Collection Cost. Trustee Smith-Woods seconded the motion. The motion passes unanimously.

**DISTRICT MANAGERS MONTHLY REPORT**

Firstly, Greater LA sent their Operations Manager to complete the sell on two of our Jeeps, to which Leann signed over the titles and accepted a $25,000 check for the district. The jeeps should be towed within the next two weeks, so while still on property the insurance will remain active for these vehicles. The greater LA operations manager did express interest in one of the Ford trucks, as well as a past employee being interested in the third jeep. Kevan will be working on the remaining trucks to get them up and running during the winter months so anyone who ends up buying them can drive them off the lot, and the remaining trucks will be ready in case of emergency for the following seasons. Secondly, we were able to contact the gate repair company that was recommended by President Gantenbein, we were able to get an excellent price of $3,000 for motor replacement and labor. The work will get scheduled for the next fiscal year, which starts in July 2024. Thirdly, Leann has been speaking with the gentleman who cleared the side lot last time to see if we could have it done again. He recommended mowing the lot instead of raking; this will cut cost since dumping the amount that would need to be dumped would be the biggest cost, mowing the lot should come to around $900. The trees have also been scheduled to have a trimming done by Chad’s Chippers. They have done this before, and did a great job. Fourthly, the field has been relatively smooth, nothing has been unmanageable. With this heat, the technicians have been told that if they need to take longer breaks in the trucks/AC or to call the day short, that they are welcome to do so; safety is always first. We do have a letter that has recently been introduced into rotation. It is a high trap count notification, these are sent out to houses that have had a dirty pool in either our past surveillance pictures or google map images. In the past they would have received a pool notice but since the pictures are so dated we thought it best to change the tone of the letter and to let the residents let us know if they need us to treat their pool or if they know of a source nearby that we may have missed. Lastly, while Karen was out setting traps she ran into a worker from Dewey, and found out they might start doing mosquito abatement this season. Brenna will be calling around once more to see if other companies are doing this and starting a list of what pesticides they are using so we can avoid immunity. It shouldn’t build too much resistance as they would most likely be using adulticide while the district focuses on larvacide. This potential gap in knowledge between the district and second parties has brought up the point that we should give presentations to the pest control companies again; as well as reach out to the city and set up a presentation for the departments. Spreading awareness on breeding grounds and mosquito habits will help streamline everyone. On the note of the cities, we have had an issue with street sweeping not hitting curbs that have low hanging trees; this is running havoc on a whole neighborhood in Lancaster as there are just pockets of mosquito breeding that is extremely time consuming to treat. We are hoping that opening more lines of communication will help both the district and the cities have a bigger impact on mosquito abatement.

**NEXT BOARD MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR JULY 25, 2024 AT 4:00 PM**

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES COMMENTS:** None.

**ITEMS NOT ON THE POSTED AGENDA:** None.

**ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business to come before the Board, President Gantenbein adjourned the meeting at 4:43 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted: Approved:

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Tierney Smith-Woods David Gantenbein

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