

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
OF THE  
NAPA COUNTY MOSQUITO ABATEMENT DISTRICT  
**APRIL 12, 2023**

President Valentine called the meeting of the Board of Trustees to order at 7:02 p.m. at the District Office at 15 Melvin Road, American Canyon, California.

**Members Present:** Cabral, Cramer, Maffei, Valentine

**Members Excused:** Ray

**Staff Present:** Wesley Maffei, District Manager and Alicia Hinojoza, Clerk of the Board

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Maffei motioned, seconded by Cramer, to adopt the agenda as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF DISTRICT MINUTES

Cabral motioned, seconded by Cramer, to approve the special meeting minutes for March 8, 2023.

Cabral motioned, seconded by Maffei, to approve the regular meeting minutes for March 8, 2023.

- *Correction on both minutes to state that Brian Cramer, Secretary, called both meetings.*

Motions passed unanimously. Valentine abstained.

PUBLIC COMMENTS None.

REVIEW CORRESPONDENCE

District Manager reviewed the California Special District magazine noting articles on succession planning, Brown Act rules on the sale of real estate, 9/80 work schedules, and handling Facebook negativity.

RECESS BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING AS THE MOSQUITO ABATEMENT DISTRICT AND CONVENE AS THE NAPA COUNTY MOSQUITO AND DISEASE CONTROL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The meeting was called to order by President Valentine at 7:10 p.m.

**Members Present:** Cabral, Cramer, Maffei, Valentine

**Members Excused:** Ray

**Staff Present:** Wesley Maffei, District Manager and Alicia Hinojoza, Clerk of the Board

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO MODIFY CURRENT PROPERTY TAX BENEFIT ASSESSMENT RATE BEGINING FISCAL YEAR 2023/2024

Cabral motioned, seconded by Cramer to increase the current benefit assessment rate to \$24.75.

**Ayes: Cabral, Cramer, Maffei, Valentine**      **Noes: -0-**      **Absent: Ray**      **Abstain: -0-**

APPROVE PAYMENT OF BILLS

Cramer motioned, seconded by Maffei to approve the bills as paid in March 2023.

Motion passed unanimously.

**ADJOURN MEETING AS THE NAPA COUNTY MOSQUITO AND DISEASE CONTROL DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES AND RECONVENE AS THE NAPA COUNTY MOSQUITO ABATEMENT DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES.**

**DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING BUDGET ADJUSTMENT FOR PAYDOWN OF PENSION LIABILITY WITH CALPERS AND/OR PAYMENT TO PENSION RESERVE ACCOUNT WITH PUBLIC AGENCY RETIREMENT SERVICES (PARS)**

*-Request to move item to next regularly scheduled meeting due to information not available.*

No action taken.

**DISCUSS TRUSTEE ITEMS**

- Member Cramer stated that the City of St. Helena has passed an order banning gas powered leaf blowers and expressed concern over the city's alarm system permit and registry.
- Member Cabral noted an increase in afternoon mosquitoes in the Carneros area; inquired on number of calls in that area.
- Member Maffei attended Career Day at the Napa Fairgrounds and noted that Peter Ozorio, District Field Operations Supervisor, was doing an excellent job at the District's booth. Member Maffei was also very impressed with Peter's ability to engage middle school teens.

**MANAGER'S REPORT**

- The District area has received 34 inches of rain. Rain has District staff busy inspecting currently known sources as well as searching for possible new sources throughout the County.
- Black flies are being found instead of mosquitoes on some service calls.
- New employee to start Monday; he comes with very high recommendations. The District still has an open recruitment for one more Vector Control Technician.
- The District manager was not accepted to the Bee Workshop in Arizona.
- The District manager will participate in a bee methodology program being held in Oregon later this summer.
- District manager continues to work with Karl Malamud-Roam of Vector Control Consultants on the update of the District's PEIR
- A new board member representing the City of Napa is expected to participate at the May board meeting.
- After a long wait, the security doors are being installed at the car ports at the District office entrance.
- Wesley Maffei was interviewed by the Calistoga Tribune regarding district activities and processes for mosquito abatement. The interview to be in the newspaper shortly. Wesley expressed concerns of a proof print not being made available to him before final publication.

**APPROVE PAYMENT OF BILLS**

Maffei motioned, seconded by Cabral, to approve the bills as paid in March 2023.

Motion passed unanimously.

**ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING**

Cramer motioned, seconded by Cabral, to adjourn the meeting at 8:01 p.m.

Motion passed unanimously.