

**MINUTES of the San Gabriel Valley Mosquito and Vector Control District
Board of Trustees Meeting
1145 N. Azusa Canyon Rd., West Covina, CA 91790
November 8, 2019**

Trustees Attending

Roger Chandler (Arcadia)
Joseph Rocha (Azusa)
Cruz Baca (Baldwin Park)
Rick Barakat (Bradbury)
Corey Calaycay (Claremont)
Charles Myers (Glendora)
Catherine Marcucci (Industry)
Manuel Garcia (Irwindale)
Dan Holloway (La Puente)
Elyse Rasmussen (La Verne)
Jamie Bissner (L.A. County)
Becky Shevlin (Monrovia)
Joseph Leon (Monterey Park)
Rachel Janbek (Pasadena)
Emmett Badar (San Dimas)
Sandra Armenta (Rosemead)
Tim Sandoval (Pomona)
Juli Costanzo (San Gabriel)
John Capoccia (Sierra Madre)
Marina Khubesrian (So. Pasadena)
Cynthia Sternquist (Temple City)
Lloyd Johnson (West Covina)

Trustees Absent

Stephen Sham (Alhambra)
Henry Morgan (Covina)
Margaret Finlay (Duarte)
Jerry Velasco (El Monte)
Allen Wu (Walnut)

Staff Attending

Jared Dever
Rose Alba
Marta Tanaka
Jason Farned
Melissa Doyle
Levy Sun
Pablo Cabrera
Kriztian Luna

Other Attendees

Nigro & Nigro, PC representative

- 1. Call to Order**
The meeting began at 7:00 a.m.
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance and Silent Roll Call**
Trustee Chuck Myers led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 3. Opportunity for Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items**
None
- 4. Consent Calendar**
A motion made by Trustee Emmett Badar and seconded by Trustee Tim Sandoval to approve Consent Calendar was unanimously approved.

5. Consider Adopting Resolution 19-02, Authorization Of The Process Of Approval For Aerial Applications Of Adult Mosquito Control Products To Suppress A Mosquito-Borne Disease Outbreak

District Manager Jared Dever explained that Resolution 19-02 authorizes the District Manager to initiate the process of aerial application and call immediately for an emergency board meeting to allow the Board of Trustees to consider approving or denying the expenditure of funds for aerial adult mosquito control applications.

A motion made by Trustee Johnson and seconded by Trustee Leon to approve Resolution 19-02, passed unanimously.

6. Nomination of LAFCO Candidate and Alternate

Board President Corey Calaycay advised that there is an opening for agencies to nominate a representative to serve on the LAFCO board, and any trustees interested in serving should complete the application included in the board package.

7. Selection Of Trustee(S) To Attend The Mosquito And Vector Control Annual Conference, January 26-29, 2020, In San Diego, CA

District Manager Jared Dever encouraged board members to attend the Mosquito and Vector Control Association of California Annual Conference at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in San Diego, January 26-29, 2020. Trustees Chuck Myers, Marina Khubesrian and Lloyd Johnson stated they would like to attend.

8. District Administration

8.1.1. Communications Director Levy Sun presented a short highlight video of a Mosquito Forum organized and hosted by California State Senator Anthony Portantino's office. A panel of experts from Greater Los Angeles Vector Control District, San Gabriel Valley Vector Control District, and Pasadena Public Health Department educated residents on controlling mosquitoes and the importance of shared responsibility. Sun also showed a short public service announcement (PSA) by Senator Portantino urging residents to tip and toss all standing water.

8.1.2. District Manager Jared Dever reported that the San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments formally adopted a template Unified Pool Ordinance in October 2019. The template ordinance is available to all agency members of the Council of Governments for potential adoption.

8.1.3. District Manager Jared Dever updated the board on the status of commercialization and distribution of sterile male Aedes mosquitoes as a future control option. Dever stated that Stephen Dobson, PhD from MosquitoMate, Inc. would be giving a presentation on this process at the board meeting in December.

9. Department Reports

- 9.1.1. Operations Manager Jason Farned described new operational tactics used by operations staff to rapidly respond to reports of West Nile virus positive mosquitoes. Farned reported that the district released seven seasonal workers at the end of the month, and filled one full time specialist position.
- 9.1.2. Scientific Programs Manager Melissa Doyle reported that warm temperatures resulted in a spike in mosquito activity, followed by a reduction in numbers by the end of the month. Doyle stated that five West Nile virus positive mosquito pools were detected in October, with the last positive detection occurring on Oct. 17th.
- 9.1.3. Communications Director Levy Sun reported that communications messages to residents are encouraging continued repellent use and clearing potential mosquito breeding sources out of yards. Sun advised that the district has experienced problems obtaining liability certificates required to conduct classroom programs in schools, and requested assistance from board members in obtaining necessary certificates. Sun informed the board of an opportunity to participate in district public service announcements.

10. Board Bites

District Manager Jared Dever reviewed the distributed Board Bites document.

11. Trustee Reports

None

12. New Business

None

13. Adjournment

Board President Corey Calaycay adjourned the meeting at 7:42 a.m.