

# MINUTES of the San Gabriel Valley Mosquito and Vector Control District Board of Trustees Meeting

## 1145 N. Azusa Canyon Road, West Covina, CA 91790 October 14, 2022 (Via Teleconference)

#### TRUSTEES PRESENT

Stephen Sham (Alhambra)

Sho Tay (Arcadia)

Robert Gonzales (Azusa)

Richard Barakat (Bradbury) Arrived at 7:14 a.m.

Corey Calaycay (Claremont)
Margaret Finlay (Duarte)

Jerry Velasco (El Monte) Arrived at 7:41 a.m.

Jackie Doornik (Glendora)
Catherine Marcucci (Industry)
Elyse Rasmussen (La Verne)

Jamie Bissner (Los Angeles County)

Becky Shevlin (Monrovia)
Rachel Janbek (Pasadena)
Tim Sandoval (Pomona)
Sandra Armenta (Rosemead)

Ryan Vienna (San Dimas)

Denise Menchaca (San Gabriel)

John Capoccia (Sierra Madre)

Robert Joe (South Pasadena)

Cynthia Sternquist (Temple City)

Allen Wu (Walnut)

Lloyd Johnson (West Covina)

#### TRUSTEES ABSENT

Emmanuel Estrada (Baldwin Park) Henry Morgan (Covina) Manuel Garcia (Irwindale) Charlie Klinakis (La Puente)

Joseph Leon (Monterey Park)

#### **STAFF PRESENT**

Jason Farned Rose Alba Levy Sun Gilbert Holguin Cecilia Contreras

#### **GUESTS PRESENT**

District Counsel, Kelly Alhadeff-Black

#### 1. Call to Order

Board President Shevlin called the meeting to order at 7:00 a.m. Trustee Armenta led the Pledge of Allegiance. Clerk of the Board Cecilia Contreras took attendance roll call. President Shevlin recognized outgoing Trustee Morgan for his 30 years of service and thanked him for his contributions and work throughout the years.

## 2. Opportunity for Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items

None

#### 3. Consent Calendar

Motion by Trustee Finlay, seconded by Trustee Johnson, and carried by the following vote to approve Items 3.1- 3.8 of the Consent Calendar.

AYES: Sham, Tay, Gonzales, Calaycay, Finlay, Doornik, Marcucci, Rasmussen, Bissner,

Shevlin, Janbek, Sandoval, Armenta, Vienna, Menchaca, Capoccia, Joe,

Sternquist, Wu, Johnson

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: Gonzales (abstained from Item 3.4 only)

ABSENT: Estrada, Barakat, Morgan, Velasco, Garcia, Klinakis, Leon

#### 4. Board of Trustees Potential Return to In-Person Meetings Update

President Shevlin indicated there had not been a change in current legislation allowing for teleconferencing therefore Board meetings would continue virtually and suggested in-person meetings resume in January 2023. After a brief discussion regarding options available to conduct meetings and preferences shared by some trustees to continue meetings via Zoom, President Shevlin indicated topic would be revisited next month to verify if any updates were available.

#### 5. Presentation: Invasive Aedes Update

Jason Farned, District Manager provided a presentation regarding invasive aedes including an overview of the mosquito species, state and local tracking of invasive aedes, disease threats and nuisance biting, current prevention and control efforts, and novel control strategies. Further information regarding costs and data associated with mosquito sterilization (SIT) was requested by the board for future discussion.

#### 6. Trustee Terms of Office Ending on December 31, 2022

President Shevlin indicated the following trustees' terms would be ending on 12/31/22: Sham, Gonzales, Garcia, Rasmussen, Shevlin, Sandoval, Menchaca, Sternquist and Wu. She requested that respective cities take action to reappoint members or successors prior to the January 2023 board meeting and stated district would be sending out correspondence as a reminder to cities.

# 7. Trustee Conference Opportunity – Call for Statements of Interest Forms for 2023 Annual MVCAC Conference

President Shevlin indicated there was an opportunity for two trustees to attend the upcoming 2023 Annual MVCAC Conference. She stated interested trustees should submit a statement of interest form which would then be reviewed and approved on a first come, first serve basis.

### 8. Consider Vote on Ballot for Special District LAFCO Voting Member

President Shevlin provided an overview of the item. Motion by Trustee Capoccia, seconded by Trustee Calaycay, and carried by the following vote to approve the vote on the ballot for Special District LAFCO Voting Member Steven Appleton.

AYES: Sham, Tay, Gonzales, Barakat, Calaycay, Finlay, Velasco, Doornik, Marcucci,

Rasmussen, Bissner, Shevlin, Janbek, Sandoval, Armenta, Vienna, Menchaca,

Capoccia, Joe, Sternquist, Wu, Johnson

NOES: None ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Estrada, Morgan, Garcia, Klinakis, Leon

#### 9. District Administration

#### 9.1 Covid Update

District Manager Farned provided an update on COVID-19 protocols and stated there had been minimal staff absence and no impact to District services in relation to the virus.

#### 9.2 District Update

District Manager Farned provided a Surveillance Department update including an overview of details in the report included in the agenda packet.

#### 10. Committee Reports

None

## 11. Trustee Reports

Trustee Armenta suggested deleting and reinstalling Zoom app on mobile devices if having connectivity issues as she was having problems connecting to meeting and this action resolved the issue for her.

#### 12. New Business

None

# 13. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:52 a.m.