

Board Meeting Minutes of the
Animas Mosquito Control District

Monday, July 15, 2025

AMCD Shop

6525 County Road 250

Durango, CO 81301

And Microsoft Teams Meeting

I. Meeting Called to Order

A. Ted Hermesman, Board President, called the meeting to order at 12:07 pm.

Roll Call

B. Present: Ted Hermesman, Board President / Jim Bryce, Board Vice President / Janet Pettigrew – Board Secretary / Andrew Parker – Board Director / Seth Foster, District Manager / Melody Schaaf, Office Manager / Jamie Matthews – Auditor

Absent Excused: Dave Dillon – Board Director

Via Microsoft Teams: Dan Walter, Joan Beans – CRS

Quorum established.

II. *Minutes & Financials

A. The board reviewed the June meeting minutes. There was one change (Jamie did not leave the last meeting, Steve did). * Motion to approve these minutes the one correction was made and seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

B. The board reviewed the June financials. Discussion followed. There will be substantial changes in the financials after the 2024 audit journal entry changes. The auditor wants to schedule a meeting with the CRS team and will send an email invitation with the 2024 audit documents attached. The audit has not been filed yet but needs to be by the end of the month. The board expressed the appreciation for the work and effort from CRS and Jamie to get the financials in order. * Motion to approve the 2024 audit, with the changes discussed, was made and seconded. Motion passed unanimously. The board president and the manager signed the 2024 audit letter.

Jamie left the meeting

Tammy is no longer with CRS. Kim will head our accounts, and Dan will be the main contact with Joan available as needed. Positive Pay needs to be checked by CRS for fraud prevention. Dan will probably do this after access is approved by the Bank of Colorado. Joan went over the financials by line item. Where does the value of the property and building show? This is not typical in governmental accounting, this information is shown in the audit. * Motion to approve the financials was made and seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Dan and Joan left the meeting

III. Unfinished Business

(* Indicates vote/approval took place for action or expenditure)

- A. There was some discussion regarding the tree removal request by the Bendy's. The manager will get bids over the winter for removing these trees completely as well as the landscaping of the property next year.
- B. There was discussion regarding the district by-laws. The attorney has a draft to present at the next meeting. Meeting structure needs work. Much discussion followed. The board will review and approach this subject again at the next meeting.

IV. New Business

- A. No new business

V. Manager Report

- A. The manager updated the board on the new PCR system. We have been running tests on *Culex tarsalis* and getting results within about two hours, rather than two to three weeks with the previous system. So far, all negative. There are a LOT of mosquitoes right now, but the crews are not finding many larvae.
- B. We are watching closely to make sure the product used is working properly. We have so many mosquitoes that we don't typically have. Might be coming in from National Forest habitats that are drying up.
- C. The intern is working out great. He has been a terrific asset. Wish we could hire him, but he will be returning to college to pursue his secondary degree in GIS.
- D. It might be time to reevaluate the GIS program and make a change. Much discussion followed.
- E. Discussion on installing a lidar attachment for the drone for locating ground water. It was suggested that we might investigate ionospheric satellite imagery which happens eight times a month.

VI. Public Input

- A. No public input.

VII. Meeting Adjourned: 1:17 pm

Minutes respectfully submitted by Melody Schaaf, Office Manager August 14, 2025.

These were approved by the Board of Directors on August 19, 2025.

The next Board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 16, at 12:00 pm.