Board Meeting Minutes of the **Animas Mosquito Control District**

Meeting Held:

Tuesday, February 21, 2023

Location: AMCD Shop

870 County Road 252 Durango, CO 81301

I. Meeting Called to Order

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

II. Roll Call

<u>Present</u>: Ted Hermesman III, Board President / Jim Bryce, Board Vice President / Janet Pettigrew, Board Secretary / Dave Dillon, Board Member / Seth Foster, District Manager Melody Schaaf, Office Manager

Absent: Shane Kairalla, Board Member-Excused

Quorum established.

*III. Minutes & Financials

A. Board reviewed the January 17, 2023, meeting minutes. Motion to approve these minutes was made and seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Brief discussion on the status of the new Ford trucks.

Brief discussion on the recent trip to Utah for the seminar in St. George.

B. Board reviewed the January 2023 financials. Motion was made and seconded to approve the January financials. Motion passed unanimously.

IV. Managers' Report

Manager reported on: Possible flooding this spring; New traps (CO2, Gravid, Propane); New microscope for lab; Have all required permits for this season; New employees finishing drone training; Upcoming public meeting on March 23rd at 6:00 pm Attorney, Bud Smith, and La Plata County for the L&E Review on new property; Building plans are coming together, working closely with our Architect, Tim Flanagan & Civil Engineer, Andrew Rapieiko.

V. Unfinished Business

- A. Discussion followed regarding the new traps.
- **B.** Board looked over the building/site plans that Tim Flanagan had sent. Discussion followed. Board would like a reminder on the meeting with the county for the L&E Review.
- **C.** Discussion opened regarding the drone. It was suggested that we create an agreement, possibly a flyer, to mail to all residents in the flood plain, for the use of the drone. Discussion followed.

VI. New Business

A. Manager reported to the Board that the 'Waters' property, just North of the Oxbow, might be donated to the City of Durango. Discussion followed.

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

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- **B.** Question was presented...Would we be required to install a fire hydrant on the new property? Andrew Rapiejko is in the process of getting a definitive answer on this. Dave reminded everyone that the window for putting in water lines under the ditch for the new building is in just a couple of weeks. Otherwise, it would have to wait until next year.
- **C.** Self-Nomination forms for the 2023 election year were presented to Ted Hermesman III, Janet Pettigrew & Dave Dillon. They all filled them in and signed them. Jim Bryce signed all three as the witness.

Janet stated that she will be absent for the May 16th meeting.

- **D.** Discussion opened on the requested 5% increase in wages for the crew and an increase in the manager's retirement fund from 3% to 6%. Manager would like to promote young Joe Kuefler to the Supervisor position at the previous Supervisor's rate of pay. Discussion followed.
 - *Motion was made and seconded to approve these increases. Motion passed unanimously.
- **E.** Discussion reopened on the purchase or the traps and lab microscope. The funds for these purchases had been included in the 2023 Budget. Board asked what would be done with the old microscopes. We would donate or keep to use in the annual fair.
- *The Board unanimously agreed to these purchases.

The suggestion was again made to put all of the equipment that is for sale, on the District website.

VII. Public Input

A. No public input

Meeting Adjourned: 1:31 pm

Minutes Respectfully submitted by Melody Schaaf, Office Manager on March 21, 2023.

These minutes approved by the Board of Directors on March 21, 2023.

The next Board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 18, 2023, at 12:00 pm.