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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Northwest Mosquito Abatement District was held at 7:00 pm Wednesday, June 17, 2020 at 147 West Hintz Road, Wheeling, IL.

There being a presence of a quorum, Daniel R. Ansani, President called the meeting to order.

Trustees present: Daniel R. Ansani, President; Russell Nowak, Treasurer; Raymond Kincaid, Secretary; Dale Niewiardowski, Assistant Treasurer and Assistant Secretary

Trustees absent: None

Also present: Donald Veverka, Attorney; James Thennisch, Director; Patrick Irwin, Assistant Director; Carolyn Strahammer, Legal Admin; Ewa Migacz Office Manager

The minutes of the May 2020 meeting were read. Trustee Russell Nowak made a motion to accept the minutes as read Trustee Raymond Kincaid seconded the motion.

The Secretary called the roll and all ayes had been cast for approval of the motion and thereby declared the motion carried.

The Treasurer's Report for May 2020 was presented, and all checks were approved for payment. Trustee Russell Nowak made a motion to accept the report as read and Trustee Dale Niewiardowski seconded the motion.

The Secretary called the roll and all ayes had been cast for approval of the motion and thereby declared the motion carried.

Attorney Veverka updated the Board of Trustees regarding the Sears proceedings, there are no new actions. President Ansani inquired about FOIA received by the District. Director Thennisch updated the Board on the response issued by the District.

Assistant Director Patrick Irwin presented The Entomology report, both nuisance and WNV vector mosquitos are at below normal levels. For the second year in the row we are seeing blackflies (buffalo gnats) in District traps. There were no WNV positive mosquito in 95 tested pools. Dr. Irwin updated the

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Board on the pending publications that he is a coauthor. The entomology department is collaborating with colleagues at University of Maryland, Princeton, and University of Illinois to calculate what makes Cook County hotspot for WNV. Dr. Irwin is collaborating with colleagues at UW- Madison, Loyola, and Iowa State to better understand what factors makes some catch basin productive for mosquitos.

The Assistant Director informed that IMVCA is considering hosting a "virtual meeting" instead of an in-person meeting in 2020.

Director Thennisch presented the Field Operations Report including that crews completed catch basins on June 8 and transitioned to inspections and treatments of flood water sites. Back yard basin treatments are ongoing.

Director Thennisch updated the Board on the status of the COVID-19 changes in operations. The District continues to follow all recommendations for employee and resident's safety. The Annual Financial Audit of operation is on schedule and pending. The OPEB report has been finalized and forwarded to Auditors. Mr. Thennisch presented quotes received for renewal of the Dental and Vision Group Insurance.

Trustee Nowak made a motion to renew the current Dental and Vision insurance plan and Trustee Raymond Kincaid seconded the motion.

The Secretary called the roll and all ayes had been cast for approval of the motion and thereby declared the motion carried.

Director Thennisch presented the Internal Services Report including update on the final sale of four used District trucks.

There being no further business to come before the Board a motion was made by Trustee Dale Niewiadowski to adjourn and seconded by Trustee Russell Nowak; the motion passed unanimously at 7:30 p.m.

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President

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Secretary