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# NORTHWEST MOSQUITO ABATEMENT DISTRICT

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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 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, September 17, 2025, at 1500 Hicks Rd, Suite 100, Rolling Meadows, IL 60008.

With a quorum present, Daniel R. Ansani, President, called the meeting to order.

Trustees present: Daniel R. Ansani, President; Dale Niewiardowski, Vice President /Secretary; Russell Nowak, Treasurer; Justin Harbison, Assistant Treasurer; Carol Johnson, Assistant Secretary

Trustee Absent: None.

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

The minutes of the August 20, 2025, meeting were read. Trustee Russell Nowak made a motion to approve the minutes as read, and Trustee Carol Johnson seconded the motion.

The Secretary called the roll. All ayes were recorded, and the motion was declared carried.

The Treasurer's Report for August 2025 was presented, and all checks were approved for payment. Trustee Dale Niewiardowski made a motion to accept the report as read, and Trustee Carol Johnson seconded the motion.

The Secretary called the roll. All ayes were recorded, and the motion was declared carried.

Attorney Carolyn Strahammer updated the Board of Trustees on the

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upcoming bond sale meeting scheduled for October 15. She reminded everyone that the Tax Levy Ordinance and Treasurer's Statement will be presented at the next board meeting. Once approved, a notice of availability will be published in the regular, general circulation newspaper. Furthermore, Ms. Strahammer reminded the Trustees of their obligation under the Open Meetings Act to review the minutes from the Executive Sessions at the next Board meeting, highlighting the District commitment to open governance and accountability.

Assistant Director Patrick Irwin presented the Entomology Report, which included the NWMAD Mosquito Report for Week 37 of 2025. In Cook County, there have been 39 recorded cases of the human West Nile virus, with 16 of those cases occurring within the District. During Week 37, the District tested 48 mosquito pools, 10 of which tested positive. This brings the season totals to 1,531 tested pools and 343 positive results.

Jacqueline Sanderson, Assistant to the Entomologist, presented a poster on "Tick and Tick-borne Disease Surveillance" at the International Conference on Lyme Borreliosis last week.

The Entomology Department conducted its first tick drag of the fall season on September 17 in Potawatomi Woods and Camp Ground Road Woods. No ticks were found during this survey, which is typical since ticks usually begin to appear around October 1.

Dr. Irwin reminded the Board that the IMVCA 71st Annual Meeting will take place in person in Springfield from November 20 to 21, 2025, where both he and Jacqueline will be presenting.

The District continues to operate thirty-one traps across 242 square miles, identifying all mosquitoes to species and testing vector species daily for WNV. The Trustees discussed the presence of various mosquito species currently found in the District.

Director James Thennisch presented the Financial Report.

The Director informed the Board of Trustees that the Annual Financial Report has been submitted to Illinois State Comptroller Susan A. Mendoza.

On August 25, 2025, the District received an AA rating from S&P Global.

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The preliminary tax rate calculation for 2024 has been received from Cook County. The District is currently preparing to implement cost-saving measures in its operations.

Additionally, the Director reported ongoing coordination with 845 Design Group and W.B. Olson regarding soil conditions at the Wheeling site. W.B. Olson is scheduled to place a construction trailer on-site during the week of the 22nd, and the project foreman will be present daily following that.

Director Thennisch also provided an update on Field Operations. To date, the District has received and resolved 83 service requests. Seasonal crews have treated 64,455 catch basins this season.

Finally, Director Thennisch presented the Internal Services Report.

The next regular Board meeting is scheduled for October 15, 2025.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Trustee Russell Nowak made a motion to adjourn, and Trustee Dale Niewiardowski seconded the motion. The Secretary called the roll. All ayes had been cast for approval of the motion and thereby declared the motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 6:48 p.m.

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President

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Vice President /Secretary