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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, October 15, 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

No Trustee was not permitted to attend the meeting by video or audio conference.

Trustees Absent: None.

Also, present: James Thennisch, Director; Carolyn Strahammer, Attorney; Ewa Migacz, Office Manager, Anthony Miceli, Senior Vice President, Speer Financial, Inc; Kent M Floros Partner at Chapman and Culter LLP.

The minutes of the September 17, 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 September 2025 was presented, and all checks were approved for payment. Trustee Dale Niewiardowski made a motion to accept the report as read, and Trustee Russell Nowak seconded the motion.

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

Anthony Miceli, Senior Vice President of Speer Financial, was present to explain the open auction process for the bonds. Four bids were received, with the winning bid resulting in a final rate of 3.842374%. After resizing the project, the adjusted final rate is 3.8375%. The closing will be scheduled for November 4, 2025. This outcome represents significant savings for the District, which had initially planned for a rate of 4.6%. The District's stable AA rating from S&P Global Ratings, combined with a favorable economic environment, contributed to this positive result. Kent M. Floros, a Partner at Chapman and Cutler LLP, explained the ordinance and closing process, addressing questions from the trustees.

The President announced that a proposal had been received from The Baker Group, LP, Babylon, New York, for the purchase of \$6,360,000 of alternate revenue bonds to be issued by the District for the purpose of building and equipping a building and improving the site thereof, and that the Board of Trustees would consider the adoption of an ordinance providing for the issue of said bonds, for the pledge of corporate purpose taxes to the payment of principal and interest on said bonds and the levy of bond and interest taxes to pay the principal and interest thereon if corporate purpose taxes are insufficient to make such payment and for the sale of said bonds to the purchaser thereof. The President also summarized the pertinent terms of said proposal and said bonds, including the length of maturity, rates of interest, purchase price and tax levy for said bonds.

Whereupon President Ansani presented and the Secretary read by title an ordinance as follows, a copy of which was provided to each Trustee prior to said meeting and to everyone in attendance at said meeting who requested a copy:

AN ORDINANCE providing for the issue of \$6,360,000 General Obligation Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2025, of the Northwest Mosquito Abatement District, Cook County, Illinois, to build and equip a building and improve the site thereof, the pledge of certain revenues to the payment of principal and interest on the bonds, the levy of a direct annual tax sufficient to pay such principal and interest if the pledged revenues are insufficient to make such payment and authorizing the sale of said bonds to the purchaser thereof.

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Trustee Carol Johnson moved, and Trustee Russell Nowak seconded the motion that said ordinance as presented be adopted.

After a full and complete discussion thereof, the President directed

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**AN ORDINANCE LEVYING TAXES FOR THE NORTHWEST MOSQUITO ABATEMENT DISTRICT,
COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS FOR THE TAX YEAR 2025
(COLLECTIBLE IN 2026)**

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees (the “Board of Trustees”) of the Northwest Mosquito Abatement District, Cook County, Illinois (the “District”), has previously estimated the amounts the District is required to levy for Tax Year 2025, collectible in 2026; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Trustees has prepared this Levy Ordinance for the corporate purposes of the District for the Tax Year 2025, collectible in 2026.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Trustees of the Northwest Mosquito Abatement District, Cook County, Illinois as follows:

Section 1: That the sum of Three Million Four Hundred Seventy Three Thousand Six Hundred Thirty Dollars (\$3,473,630.00) is hereby levied upon all property subject to taxation within the territorial limits of the Northwest Mosquito Abatement District as that property is assessed and equalized, in order to meet and defray all the necessary expenses and liabilities of the Northwest Mosquito Abatement District as required by statute or voted by the people in accordance with the law for the Tax Year 2025 (collectible in 2026).

Section 2: That the amount levied for each object and corporate purpose shall be as follows:

AMOUNT APPROPRIATED

PERSONNEL SERVICES:	\$ 2,038,500.00
CONTRACTUAL SERVICES:	\$ 1,014,600.00
RIGHT-TO-USE LEASE	125,000.00
PAYMENTS	
DEBT SERVICE	\$ 255,000.00
TRAVEL:	\$ 3,000.00
COMMODITIES:	\$ 514,000.00
EQUIPMENT:	\$ 35,000.00
CONTINGENCIES:	\$ 15,000.00
EDUCATION:	\$ 35,750.00
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT	\$ 532,000.00
FUND:	

MINUS: AMOUNT OF ESTIMATED RECEIPTS WHICH IS IN EXCESS OF APPROPRIATIONS INCLUDING CASH TO BE RECEIVED FROM STATE OF ILLINOIS PERSONAL PROPERTY REPLACEMENT TAX:	\$ 1,094,220.00
TOTAL TAXES LEVIED	<u>\$3,473,630.00</u>

The foregoing amount is hereby levied for general corporate purposes pursuant to the provisions of 70 ILCS 1005/9.

Section 3: To ensure the District meets any obligations for indebtedness, and that the actual collections of property taxes received by the Corporate Fund are commensurate with the amounts so levied, the County Clerk is authorized, in consultation with the District’s Chief Financial Officer, to extend loss and collections for these funds in the amount of three percent (3%) in a manner that is sufficient for these purposes.

Section 4: That the Secretary shall make and file the County Clerk of said County of Cook, on or before the last Tuesday of December as required by law, a duly certified copy of this Ordinance.

Section 5: That if any section, subdivision, or sentence of this Ordinance shall for any reason be held invalid or to be unconstitutional, such finding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portion of this Ordinance.

Section 6: That this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect after its adoption, as provided by law.

ADOPTED this 15 day of October 2025, pursuant to a roll call vote by the Board of Trustees of the Northwest Mosquito Abatement District, Cook County, State of Illinois.

AYES: _____

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The undersigned, Dale Niewiardowski, hereby certifies that he is the Secretary of the Board of Trustees of NORTHWEST MOSQUITO ABATEMENT DISTRICT, of the County of Cook, State of Illinois, and that he was duly elected, has qualified, and is now acting as such Secretary; and that he is the keeper of the records and seal of said District; and that the document attached hereto is a true, complete and correct copy of the Tax Anticipation Ordinance Authorizing the Issuance of Tax Anticipation Warrants in Anticipation of Taxes Levied for the Year 2025, which was duly passed by the Board of Trustees of said District on the 15th day of October 2025, and approved by the President and Secretary of said District and is now in full force and effect.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has hereunto set his hand and affixed the corporate seal of said NORTHWEST MOSQUITO ABATEMENT DISTRICT, this 15th day of October 2025.

Dale Niewiardowski, Secretary
NORTHWEST MOSQUITO
ABATEMENT DISTRICT

TAX ANTICIPATION ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF TAX ANTICIPATION
WARRANTS IN ANTICIPATION OF TAXES LEVIED FOR THE YEAR 2025

WHEREAS, NORTHWEST MOSQUITO ABATEMENT DISTRICT has levied, in the manner provided by law, taxes for the year 2025, the sum of \$3,473,630.00 and,

WHEREAS, due to the delay in collection of these taxes, there may not be sufficient money in the Treasury of the District to meet all necessary expenses and liabilities of the District; and,

WHEREAS, under these circumstances, the Board of Trustees may anticipate the collection of said taxes to the extent of seventy-five percent (75%) of the amount of said levy by the issuance and sale of warrants drawn against and in anticipation of said taxes already levied;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE NORTHWEST MOSQUITO ABATEMENT DISTRICT:

1. That the President of the said Board of Trustees is hereby authorized to execute and sell from time to time, as funds are needed for the necessary expenses and liabilities of said District, Warrants, in One Thousand Dollar (\$1,000.00) denominations, drawn against and in anticipation of taxes levied for the year 2025, in

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an amount not to exceed seventy-five percent (75%) of this amount of said taxes. All of said Warrants shall be signed by the President and countersigned by the Secretary under the Seal of the District.

2. That said Warrants shall be payable to bearer and shall show upon their face that they are payable in numerical order of their issuance solely from the anticipated taxes when these anticipated taxes are collected and not otherwise.

3. Each Warrant shall bear interest, payable only out of the taxes against which it is drawn, at the rate specified in the Warrants. Said rate of interest shall be set by the President of the time of the sale of each Warrant and shall not exceed the amount of 1% more than the "Prime Rate" as quoted in the "Money Rates" section of the Wall Street Journal, per annum from the date of its issuance until paid or until notice is given, in the manner provided by law, that payment will be made upon presentation.

4. Said Warrants shall be issued in the following form:

Wheeling, Illinois

NO. _____, 20____ \$ _____

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Cook County, Illinois

TAX ANTICIPATION ORDINANCE

Issued in Anticipation of Taxes Levied for the year 2025.

TREASURER OF NORTHWEST MOSQUITO ABATEMENT DISTRICT:

From taxes collected under the tax levy for the year 2025, appropriated and levied for Corporate purposes of NORTHWEST MOSQUITO ABATEMENT DISTRICT when received by you, pay to Bearer the sum of _____ Dollars with interest at the rate of 1.00 Percent more than the Prime Rate as quoted in the "Money Rates" section of the Wall Street Journal, per annum from the date hereof until the date of payment or until notice is given by publication in a newspaper or otherwise that the money for the payment of this warrant is available and that it will be paid on presentation. All warrants issued against and in anticipation of said taxes are payable in the numerical order of their issuance solely from said taxes when collected and not otherwise. Said warrants including this warrant, do not exceed seventy-five percent (75%) of the tax levy and shall be received by any collector of taxes in payment of the taxes against which they are issued.

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By: _____
President

ATTEST:

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Secretary

5. Said Warrants shall be sold at not less than par value thereof and the funds received shall be deposited with the Treasurer of the NORTHWEST MOSQUITO ABATEMENT DISTRICT.

6. When the taxes levied for the year 2025 are collected, the Treasurer of the NORTHWEST MOSQUITO ABATEMENT DISTRICT shall set apart and hold out sufficient money for the payment of the Warrants outstanding against said taxes together with interest thereon.

7. This ordinance shall take effect and be in full force from and after its passage and approval.

Passed by the Board of Trustees of NORTHWEST MOSQUITO ABATEMENT DISTRICT this 15th day of October 2025

Approved this 15th day of October 2025.

President of the Board of Trustees of
NORTHWEST MOSQUITO ABATEMENT DISTRICT

ATTEST:

Secretary

Trustee Russell Nowak made a motion to accept the Tax Anticipation Ordinance as presented by Carolyn Strahammer, Attorney for the District, and Trustee Justin Harbison 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 Strahammer noted that compliance with the Open Meetings Act is scheduled for today's executive session. Additionally, she emphasized that the Cook County Debt Disclosure needs to be filed before the end of December with the County Treasurer's website.

Attorney Strahammer presented revised Investment, Reserve & Liquidity, and Debt Management Policies for Board approval.

DEBT MANAGEMENT POLICY
NORTHWEST MOSQUITO ABATEMENT DISTRICT

I. Purpose

The purpose of this Debt Management Policy ("Policy") is to establish formal guidelines for the prudent, efficient and effective management of debt by the Northwest Mosquito Abatement District (the "District"). This Policy is intended to ensure that any debt issuance or obligation is justified, sustainable, transparent, and consistent with the

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District's mission to provide mosquito abatement and public health protection services in a financially responsible manner.

II. Applicability

This Policy applies to all debt obligations of the District, including but not limited to bonds, notes, leases, installment purchase agreements, lines of credit, and other forms of borrowing or debt-like instruments, whether currently outstanding or to be issued in the future.

III. Policy Statement

The District shall incur debt only for capital improvements, major equipment, or other long-term assets whose useful life will approximately match or exceed the term of the debt. The District shall avoid borrowing for routine operating needs. Debt shall be structured so that repayments are made over periods that do not exceed the useful life of the asset financed. The District shall work toward maintaining excellent creditworthiness and reputation, by keeping debt at manageable levels, complying with all legal and disclosure obligations, and ensuring ongoing transparency with stakeholders.

IV. Debt Limits & Financial Metrics

To ensure debt remains at sustainable levels, the District shall adopt and abide by the following limits and metrics:

Maximum Total Debt Outstanding (Principal): No more than \$10,000,000 in aggregate principal at any given time.

Debt Service Affordability: Annual debt service for tax-backed obligations shall not exceed 15% of audited governmental revenues, unless expressly approved by the Board with written findings

Legal Limits: All tax-backed debt will comply with applicable statutory debt limits, tax-rate caps, and levy authorization requirements.

Debt Maturity: Maximum of 20 years for any issuance.

Reserves: The District will prioritize pay-as-you-go capital financing and maintain at least seven (7) months of operating reserves separate from any debt service funds.

V. Types of Debt & Acceptable Uses

Permitted Debt: Long-term capital projects (e.g., facility improvements), essential infrastructure, major equipment.

Prohibited or Discouraged Uses: Financing ongoing operational deficits; uses that do not provide long-term benefit.

Short-term borrowing or lines of credit may be used only for temporary financing (e.g., cash flow shortfalls), subject to explicit Board approval and with repayment schedules clearly defined.

VI. Structuring Practices

- Debt term should not exceed the useful life of the asset financed.
- Repayment structure: The District prefers level debt service (equal payments) or declining principal amortization, unless another structure is justified.
- Use of fixed-rate debt is preferred; variable rate debt may be used only when justified by cost savings, risk mitigation, or matching to revenue flows, and subject to appropriate safeguards.
- Redemption provisions: The District shall consider optional redemption (call provisions) if market conditions or flexibility warrant it.
- If required by law or prudent practice, maintain a debt service reserve account and/or ensure credit enhancements or insurance as needed.

VII. Debt Issuance Practices

Before issuing debt, the District shall prepare a financial feasibility study and cost/benefit analysis.

The District shall retain qualified external advisors as needed, including bond counsel, disclosure counsel, and financial or municipal advisors.

Selection of sale method (competitive, negotiated, private placement) shall be based on the specific circumstances of each issuance, seeking to minimize cost and risk.

Ensure debt issuance documents comply with all applicable state and federal law, including continuing disclosure requirements and covenant obligations.

VIII. Post-Issuance / Ongoing Management & Monitoring

- Monitor all outstanding debt for opportunities to refund or refinance if beneficial (lower interest rates, improved credit).

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- Maintain compliance with all covenants, legal requirements, arbitrage, and disclosure obligations.
- Ensure public transparency: regular reporting to the Board of Trustees, and (if required) to bondholders or credit agencies.
- Conduct periodic reviews of the District's debt portfolio, including exposure to interest rate risk, maturity concentrations, and any variable rate obligations.

IX. Roles & Responsibilities

- Board of Trustees: Review and approve debt issuances, set policy and financial limits, oversee compliance.
- Treasurer / Finance Director: Prepare studies, manage debt service scheduling, coordinate with advisors, ensure payments are made on time, ensure proper documentation and reporting.
- Legal Counsel / Bond Counsel: Advise on legal obligations, disclosure, contracts, and compliance with relevant laws.

X. Amending the Policy

This Policy shall be reviewed at least every three years, or more frequently if changes in law, market condition, or the District's financial status warrant. Amendments must be approved by the Board of Trustees.

Trustee Carol Johnson made a motion to approve Debt Management Policy, and Trustee Russell Nowak seconded the motion.

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

RESERVE AND LIQUIDITY POLICY NORTHWEST MOSQUITO ABATEMENT DISTRICT

I. Purpose of Reserve and Liquidity Policy

Adequate reserves and liquidity are critical to the stable operation of the Northwest Mosquito Abatement District (the "District"). Reserves provide assurance that the District can continue to meet operating, capital, and debt service obligations, maintain service levels in the event of unexpected circumstances, and safeguard public health functions. This policy sets forth guidelines to ensure the District maintains adequate reserves and liquidity consistent with Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) requirements and sound financial management practices.

II. Classification of Fund Balances

The District's fund balances and reserves will be classified in accordance with GASB standards (GASB 54). These classifications include: Nonspendable, Restricted, Committed, Assigned, and Unassigned fund balances. Reserves identified in this policy will be reported in the annual audit in compliance with GASB requirements.

III. Reserves Established by the Board

1. Operating Reserve (Assigned)

The Operating Reserve provides contingency funds to cover unexpected revenue shortfalls, unforeseen expenditures, and emergency public health events. The target level for this reserve shall be no less than seven (7) months of operating expenses. Use of these funds requires Board approval.

2. Cash Flow Reserve (Committed)

The Cash Flow Reserve ensures sufficient liquidity between semi-annual property tax distributions. The target for this reserve shall be equivalent to one semi-annual property tax installment. Because this reserve serves a recurring operational need, use of this reserve does not require specific Board approval.

3. Liability Reserve (Committed)

The Liability Reserve shall be maintained to meet unforeseen liability costs, including insurance deductibles and workers' compensation claims. The target for this reserve shall be equal to one year of liability and workers' compensation insurance costs. Use of this reserve requires Board approval.

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4. Capital Replacement Reserve (Committed)

The Capital Replacement Reserve provides funding for replacement of major equipment and significant repairs to facilities. An annual transfer, subject to available resources, shall be made from the General Fund into this reserve. Use of these funds requires Board approval.

IV. Reserves Mandated by Law or Contract

1. Capital Reserve (Restricted)

The Capital Reserve holds funds from restricted sources such as grants, intergovernmental contributions, or bond proceeds. Funds may be used only for capital projects consistent with the District's approved capital improvement plan. Use of this reserve requires Board approval.

2. Debt Service Reserve (Restricted)

When bonds are issued, a Debt Service Reserve shall be maintained in accordance with bond covenants. This reserve must equal the maximum annual debt service payment unless otherwise specified by the bond documents. Funds are to be used only in the event the District is unable to meet its debt service obligations. Use is governed by the bond documents and requires Board approval at issuance.

V. Guidelines for Use of Excess Funds

Any year-end funds in excess of budgeted requirements shall be allocated in the following order unless otherwise directed by the Board:

1. Transfer to Cash Flow Reserve until target is met.
2. Transfer to Operating Reserve until target is met.
3. Transfer to Liability Reserve until target is met.
4. Transfer to Capital Replacement Reserve until target is met.
5. Transfer to Capital Projects Fund for appropriation within the Capital Improvement Program.
6. Re-appropriation within the subsequent year's budget for one-time, non-recurring needs.

Reserves shall not be used to fund recurring annual operating expenditures.

VI. Summary

The District shall maintain reserves at levels sufficient to ensure continuity of mosquito abatement operations, mitigate financial risks, and support capital and debt service obligations. Reserves will be replenished as necessary and used only in a manner consistent with this policy and the District's approved budgets. This Reserve and Liquidity Policy shall be reviewed periodically and adjusted as needed to reflect changes in the District's financial position or operating environment.

Trustee Dale Niewiardowski made a motion to approve revised Reserve and Liquidity Policy, and Trustee Russell Nowak seconded the motion.

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

INVESTMENT POLICY

NORTHWEST MOSQUITO ABATEMENT DISTRICT

30 ILCS 235/2.5 - *Investment of public funds by a public agency shall be governed by a written investment policy adopted by the public agency. The level of detail and complexity of the investment policy shall be appropriate to the nature of the funds, the purpose for the funds, and the amount of the public funds within the investment portfolio. The policy shall address safety of principal, liquidity of funds, and return on investment and shall require that the investment portfolio be structured in such manner as to provide sufficient liquidity to pay obligations as they come due.*

It is the policy of the Northwest Mosquito Abatement District (the "District") to invest public funds in a manner which will provide maximum security, maintain adequate liquidity, and achieve a reasonable return while ensuring compliance with all applicable state statutes governing the investment of public funds. The District recognizes its unique role as a special-purpose unit of government and will manage investments in a manner consistent with its

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mission of public health protection and abatement services.

I. Scope

This policy applies to all funds of the District that are under the authority of the Board of Trustees, including the operating fund, reserve fund, and any other funds established by the District.

II. Prudence

The standard of prudence to be applied shall be the 'prudent person' standard. Investments shall be made with judgment and care, under circumstances prevailing, that persons of prudence, discretion, and intelligence exercise in the management of their own affairs, not for speculation, but for investment, considering the safety of capital as well as the probable income to be derived.

III. Objectives

The primary objectives of the District's investment activities, in priority order, shall be:

1. Legality – Conformance with federal, state, and local statutes governing investment of public funds.
2. Safety – Preservation of principal and protection of investment capital.
3. Liquidity – Maintenance of sufficient liquidity to meet all operating requirements, including the requirement that the District maintain a minimum of seven (7) months of operating reserves.
4. Yield – Attainment of a reasonable market rate of return throughout budgetary and economic cycles.

IV. Delegation of Authority

Management and administrative responsibility for the investment program is delegated to the Treasurer, who shall act in accordance with the District's Board of Trustees' direction. The Treasurer may establish written procedures and internal controls for the operation of the investment program consistent with this policy.

V. Authorized and Suitable Investments

The District shall limit investments exclusively to United States Treasury Bills ("T-Bills"). Investments in other securities, derivatives, or instruments are prohibited. All investments shall be made in a manner that reflects the cash flow needs of the District.

VI. Investment Accounts

The District shall maintain separate accounts for operational funds and for investments. Specifically:

1. A Corporate Investment Fund ("CIF") NOW account for operational liquidity.
2. A separate Investment CIF account to hold investment funds, including T-Bill holdings, for reserve purposes.

VII. Investment Guidelines

The District shall attempt to match investments with anticipated cash flow requirements. Unless matched to a specific cash flow, the District will not directly invest in securities with maturities greater than two years. Reserve funds invested in T-Bills may exceed two years if such maturities align with projected reserve use. All transactions shall be evidenced by safekeeping receipts and written confirmations.

VIII. Diversification

Because investments are limited solely to U.S. Treasury Bills, diversification shall be achieved by staggering maturities to meet liquidity requirements.

IX. Internal Control

The Director and Office Manager, under supervision of the Treasurer and with the aid of the District's accountants, shall maintain internal controls to safeguard District assets. These controls shall ensure segregation of duties, custodial safekeeping, and verification of all transactions.

X. Performance Standards

The District's investment portfolio will be managed in accordance with the parameters of this policy. Performance

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shall be measured against U.S. Treasury benchmarks of comparable maturity and liquidity.

XI. Reporting

The Treasurer or Office Manager shall prepare a monthly investment report for the Board of Trustees. The report shall include the current market value of the portfolio, a summary of transactions, and confirmation that reserves equal to at least seven (7) months of operating expenses are maintained. An annual investment report shall also be provided.

XII. Authorized Financial Institutions

The Treasurer shall maintain a list of authorized financial institutions approved to provide investment services. All institutions must be of sound credit quality and approved by the Board of Trustees.

XIII. Ethics and Conflicts of Interest

Officers and employees involved in the investment process shall refrain from personal business activity that could conflict with the proper execution of the District's investment program or impair their ability to make impartial decisions.

Trustee Justin Harbison made a motion to approve Investment Policy, and Trustee Carol Johnson seconded the motion.

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

President Ansani inquired about an email received from Trustee Harbison about the Cook County audit of all mosquito abatement districts. Trustee Harbison informed the Board that the Cook County Public Health Department will provide a mosquito abatement assessment to offer unified service to all Cook County residents. The mosquito abatement services are delivered in Cook County through a fragmented array of special district governments, municipal or county public health programs, public works programs, townships, and/or through contracts with private companies. In suburban Cook County (945 sq miles), there are at least eight (8) entities that provide the majority of mosquito abatement services. There are four (4) separate and independent Mosquito Abatement Districts that provide direct mosquito abatement services including: the North Shore MAD (70 sq. miles), Desplaines Valley MAD (77sq. miles), Northwest MAD (242 sq. miles), and South Cook County MAD (340 sq. miles). The City of Chicago Department of Public Health covers areas outside of South Cook County MAD and within the City of Chicago (~160 sq. miles) via commercial contract. The remaining portions of Cook County are managed by a variety of other entities including Stickney Public Health District (13 sq miles), Leyden Township (20 sq miles), and The Cook County Department of Public Health (generally in areas not covered by MADs) often by commercial contract. Municipalities and counties nationally spend vastly different dollar amounts on mosquito abatement services

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and each has its own governance structure. For example, Miami-Dade County, Florida spends approximately \$15 per capita on mosquito abatement; The Minneapolis-St. Paul, Minnesota metropolitan area spends approximately \$8 per capita; and Cook County, Illinois spends approximately \$5.05 per capita. The Minneapolis-St. Paul metropolitan area has one consolidated Mosquito Abatement District which services seven (7) counties that make up the Minneapolis and St. Paul regions. The Northwest Mosquito Abatement District is open to sharing its practices and procedures to assist other agencies in delivering a cohesive service to all residents of the county, while ensuring fiscal responsibility and maintaining public safety as primary objectives.

Director Thennisch presented the Entomology Report, which included the NWMAD Mosquito Report for Week 40 of 2025. In Cook County, there have been 79 recorded cases of the human West Nile virus, with 21 of those cases occurring within the District. During Week 40, the District tested 24 mosquito pools, none of which tested positive. This brings the season totals to 1,650 tested pools and 351 positive results.

The Trustees discussed the effectiveness of the products used for mosquito control and the methods employed during its application. Trustee Dr. Justin Harbison proposed changing the treatment approach for dry catch basins and the broader application of a variety of different products.

The Entomology Department collected all mosquito traps and prepared them for offseason storage. Assistant to the Entomologist, Jacqueline Sanderson, presented a talk at the annual online Tick Academy. She discussed the District's new tick surveillance efforts and public outreach initiatives aimed at helping residents stay safe from tick bites and associated pathogens.

The first IVAN meeting was held on September 30. Assistant Director Patrick Irwin addressed the implications of the Board of Commissioners of Cook County resolution calling for the evaluation and reform of Cook County Mosquito Abatement Districts. Trustee Harbison emailed a copy of the resolution to everyone. IVAN representatives will be setting up meetings with individual commissioners to discuss the important work that Districts do in protecting human health.

The Entomology Department began fall tick surveillance in the first week of October. In response to the first human case of tick-borne Powassan virus reported in Illinois, the District has had the CDC test all ticks we sent over the past year for the presence of this virus. Additionally, other ticks will be sent to Dr. Irwin's colleague at the

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University of Minnesota for viral sequencing.

After 25 years of monitoring West Nile virus, the Entomologist decided to relocate the District's gravid traps. Historically, these traps have been placed on properties where the District could secure permission; often located on the east side due to higher population densities. The new trapping strategy is informed by scientific data that identifies areas with the highest prevalence of human cases. The 28 new gravid trap sites are strategically positioned to cover 95% of all human cases within a 2-kilometer radius, which is the flight distance of *Culex* mosquitoes.

Director James Thennisch presented the District Operations Report.

The Director presented the Life insurance renewal proposal received from the broker - there is no increase in the premium.

Trustee Russell Nowak made a motion to approve the broker proposal for the Life Insurance renewal for 2026 with KCL Insurance Company, Trustee Carol Johnson 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 Busey Bank proposal for the District to open a secondary bank account for processing electronic transactions.

Trustee Dale Niewiardowski made a motion to open a new Bank account with Busey Bank, and Trustee Carol Johnson 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 Workers compensation Insurance renewal is in progress.

The District, 845 Design Group, and W.B. Olson have been in communication regarding the soil conditions at the Wheeling Site. The volume of material requiring remediation has been reduced to 2,500 cubic yards, and it has been decided that this material will be hauled off-site. Costs may potentially be covered by contingency funds. The District held a meeting with the designer about office furniture, and bids will be prepared soon. Discussions regarding lab and garage furnishings will take place separately.

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Additionally, an updated schedule has been received from W.B. Olson, indicating that the precast concrete wall panels are expected to be placed in mid-November. Necessary tree removal at the site has already been completed.

Director Thennisch has provided an update on Internal Services.

The District is preparing to post bids for the purchase of three field operations trucks. The Internal Services Department has also begun maintenance on vehicles and equipment.

The Bartlett facility is now closed for the season; however, restrooms and water services will continue to be available for the Field Operations Department until surveying is completed.

The Field Operations Report indicated that a total of 10,441 floodwater sites were inspected, and 66,267 catch basins were treated. Currently, the field crews have been discharged for the season. Supervisors are surveying their respective areas within the District. Field Operations is exploring ways to better integrate the Field Seeker GIS for mosquito control to enhance functionality and streamline treatments.

The next regular Board meeting was initially scheduled for November 19, 2025.

The Board of Trustees discussed changing the previously adopted annual meeting schedule to move the November meeting from November 19 to November 17, 2025. Trustee Nowak made a motion to approve the change of the November meeting date to November 17, 2025. Trustee Harbison seconded the motion.

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

At 7:40 p.m., Trustee Carol Johnson made a motion to adjourn into Executive Session pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2). Trustee Justin Harbison seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Trustee Dale Niewiardowski moved to return to an open meeting, which was seconded by Trustee Justin Harbison and passed unanimously. It is now 7:47 p.m.

President Daniel Ansani stated that an executive session had been held pursuant to Section 2 of the Open Meetings Act and that the Trustees

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had voiced their opinions but had not voted.

Trustee Carol Johnson made a motion that the written Executive Session minutes of April 16, 2025, and June 11, 2025, should be affirmed as substantially correct and that there is no need to review the recordings of said minutes. Trustee Dale Niewiardowski seconded the motion.

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

Trustee Dale Niewiardowski made a second motion. Since there is still a need for confidentiality as to the minutes of April 16, 2025, and June 11, 2025, meetings and all prior Executive Session minutes which have not yet been made public, Trustee Dale Niewiardowski moved that the minutes of April 16, 2025, and June 11, 2025, meetings and all prior Executive Sessions not previously made public should remain confidential and therefore not be made public. Trustee Russell Nowak seconded the motion.

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

Carolyn Strahammer presented the Board with a Resolution Authorizing the Destruction of Certain Verbatim Records. Trustee Russell Nowak made a motion to approve the Resolution, and Trustee Carol Johnson seconded the motion.

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

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DESTRUCTION
OF CERTAIN VERBATIM RECORDS

WHEREAS, the Illinois Open Meetings Act, (5 ILCS 120/) provides for certain procedures governing the maintenance of verbatim records of closed meetings; and

WHEREAS, the provisions of the Illinois Open Meetings Act provides for the destruction of verbatim records of closed session meetings that are at least 18 months old and further provides that the minutes pertaining to those particular closed session meetings must be approved by the public body that conducted the closed session meeting; and

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WHEREAS, on this date, October 15, 2025 the Board of the NORTHWEST MOSQUITO ABATEMENT DISTRICT did meet in executive session to review minutes of closed session meetings; and

WHEREAS, on this date the Board of the NORTHWEST MOSQUITO ABATEMENT DISTRICT determined that no further executive session minutes should be released to the public since the reasons to maintain those particular minutes as confidential still apply; and

WHEREAS, the DISTRICT currently maintains verbatim recordings of closed session minutes that are more than 18 months old; and

WHEREAS, the written minutes of those closed sessions more than 18 months old have all been approved by the DISTRICT'S Trustees.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Trustees of the NORTHWEST MOSQUITO ABATEMENT DISTRICT, Cook County, Illinois as follows;

SECTION 1: That the NORTHWEST MOSQUITO ABATEMENT DISTRICT currently maintains and has approved minutes of the closed session meetings conducted on the dates as contained in Exhibit A, attached to this Resolution.

SECTION 2: That the verbatim records of the closed session meetings conducted on the dates as contained in Exhibit A, attached to this Resolution, are more than 18 months old and that the Illinois Open Meetings Act permits the destruction of said verbatim records.

SECTION 3: The Director is hereby authorized to destroy any and all verbatim records of closed session meetings conducted on the dates as contained in Exhibit A attached to this Resolution.

ADOPTED BY THE PRESIDENT AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES of the NORTHWEST MOSQUITO ABATEMENT DISTRICT, Cook County, Illinois this 15th Day of October, 2025.

Approved this 15th day of October 2025.

DANIEL R. ANSANI, District President

ATTEST:

Dale Niewiardowski,
Vice President /Secretary

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Trustee Justin Harbison made a motion to end the probation period for Assistant to the Entomologist Jacqueline Sanderson and implement a pay increase adjustment. Trustee Russell Nowak seconded the motion.

The Secretary called the roll. All ayes were recorded. Trustee Niewiardowski abstained. The motion was declared carried.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Trustee Russell Nowak made a motion to adjourn, and Trustee Carol Johnson 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 7:51 p.m.

President

Vice President /Secretary