

The Regularly Scheduled Meeting of the Board of Commissioners for Beach Mosquito Control District was called to order by Chairman Smith at 5:00 P.M., August 11th, 2014. Smith noted that he, Commissioner Couch, Commissioner Dean and Director Clauson were all present as well as Brad Gunn and Attorney Myers.

#### Approval of Minutes

Secretary Couch confirmed that everyone received and reviewed the minutes of the meeting from July 14th, 2014 and made a motion to accept the minutes as written. Dean seconded and the motion carried without dissent.

#### Financial Reports

Treasurer Dean referenced the financial reports and commented that once again she did not see anything out of the ordinary. She added that bottom line everything is pretty much in line. She questioned Clauson again regarding the receipt of anymore tax disbursements. Clauson answered no, that we will not be receiving anymore. Dean added that she felt we would be just fine. At that time she asked if anyone had anything to bring up. Smith brought up the tax collector's fee and questioned Clauson regarding the amount of this year's fee over last year's fee. A short discussion ensued and Clauson told the board that our bill is based on the amount of taxes they collect. At that time Dean recommended that the financials be filed for audit.

#### Old Business

Chairman Smith called for Old Business, Commerce Park Property Update. Clauson asked Myers to comment; Myers reported that we do not have a contract but Jason confirmed that everything is still moving forward and added that the CEO of St. Joe resigned and Sabrina Gibbons who was over their commercial real estate has been let go so everything is in limbo there and commented that the deal is not done, it just has not moved forward in any remarkable way since the last meeting. Myers added that she continues to follow up with Chris and Jason from St. Joe but they have nothing to report. Smith asked if there were any other questions or comments.

Smith then moved on to other old business Director's Evaluation. Clauson brought up that Dean had requested the Director's Evaluation be placed on the agenda. Dean commented that she had requested this be placed on the agenda every month until a decision is made one way or the other. A short discussion ensued and Smith asked Dean to put her suggestions in writing and send it to Clauson to send to the other commissioners as information only for the next meeting.

At that time Dean brought up the change that was made to the sick leave pool and added that the employee manual needed to be corrected. Clauson interjected that we would make the correction and put a reference date on the change.

#### Attorney's Report

Myers had no report.

### Director's Report

Clauson began his report with the calendar review and went over the scheduled events for August and September. Clauson reported that Mulla was at the last Camp Helen event on Wednesday August 6<sup>th</sup> and Thursday Mulla was at the Zoo Camp. Mulla addressed the Paradise Grove Home Owners Association and gave a talk about what we do at one of the venues on the beach. Wednesday, August 13<sup>th</sup>, Ben Brewer, the FMCA Regional Director and representative on the board is having a meeting just south of Defuniak Springs and Clauson is attending that meeting. On August 14<sup>th</sup> Clauson has a meeting with someone from the Clemons Company regarding our health insurance and the rates for open enrollment. August 19<sup>th</sup> is the staff meeting and Gunn is attending the Night Vision Goggle Conference in Dallas, TX., August 20<sup>th</sup> thru 22. Moving to September, Monday the 1<sup>st</sup> is Labor Day Holiday. The 3<sup>rd</sup> is the First Budget Hearing that will be advertised in the TRIM notices that will go out from the Property Appraisers Office. On Friday we will advertise for the final budget hearing in the newspaper to be held on September 8<sup>th</sup> @ 5:01 at the regular board meeting. On the last weekend, the 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> of September, Mulla will be at Zoobilee at Zoo World.

Clauson went on to the operation's update. He began by referring to the reports and graphs that Riles and Summers had prepared reflecting the mosquitoes and surveillance information for the month of July 2014. He commented that it has been very dry with a little rain on Sunday. Clauson added that we have been doing some spray routes and we had two positive mosquito pools for West Nile Virus indicating that there is West Nile Virus activity in the area. Clauson said we are spraying two routes in the morning including Raccoon River using the new material, Duet, to see how well it works. Clauson added that we did some larvaciding as well. He reported that we have not had any more chickens seroconvert.

### New Business


Smith then went to New Business and the next item, New Employee. Clauson reported that he had hired Travis Kern at a couple of recommendations. Kern has his AA degree and based on the manual he will get his starting pay plus \$.75 per hour. Clauson added that he starts the 26<sup>th</sup> of August. Smith wanted to know about the status of Bennett and Clauson told the board that Bennett is beginning to come in more and more but still has several appointments and radiation treatments.

Smith then moved on to the NIH Grant. Clauson reported that Bob Novak from University of South Florida, who has been in Mosquito Control for many years, is putting together a multiyear multimillion dollar grant to evaluate the spread of *Aedes aegypti* and *Aedes albopictus* which are the vectors for Chikungunya and Dengue in the state. Clauson went on to say that Novak contacted him and asked him to collaborate and put together some information on how much money we would need to hire a part time college student to help Riles out with what would need to be done to conduct this study. Clauson added that he feels sure that he is working with other districts in Florida as well.

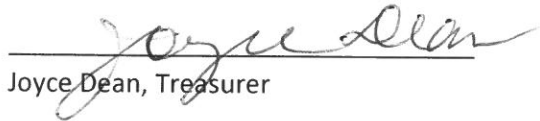
Smith moved to the last New Business on the agenda, Budget Amendment. Clauson reported that we need to move \$5,000.00 from contingency to account 30 to compensate for the property appraiser, tax collector and etc. Couch made a motion to accept the budget amendment, Dean seconded and it passed without dissent.

Announcements

Smith asked if anyone had any other announcements or comments. Couch reiterated that the next meeting is September 3<sup>rd</sup> for the First Budget Hearing and the following Monday will be the regular meeting and the Final Budget Meeting. Couch asked again about the health insurance and Clauson said he won't know until after his meeting with Clemons Company on Thursday. With no further business to come before the board Chairman Smith adjourned the meeting at 5:19 P.M.

  
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John Smith, Chairman

  
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Larry Couch, Secretary

  
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