CENTRAL MASSACHUSETTS MOSQUITO CONTROL PROJECT

Minutes of the Commissioner's Meeting

Date: October 10, 1996

Time:

11:00 A.M.

Place:

CMMCP District Headquarters, Northborough, MA

Present:

David Scott, Jeff Bean, Pablo Noguera and, Stephen Henry

- 1. The minutes of the September 12, 1996 Commissioners meeting were unanimously approved.
- 2. September/October, 1996 invoices amounting to \$3,028.60 were unanimously approved.
- 3. The following payrolls were unanimously approved:

September 14, 1996 \$ 8,997.89 September 21, 1996 \$ 9,074.00 September 28, 1996 \$ 9,074.00 October 5, 1996 \$ 9,039.58

- 4. Work Schedule: Project personnel have finished adulticiding and larvaciding. They are currently spending most of their time cleaning culverts and brush cutting. The tractor is in the shop for routine maintenance while the Project's tractor operator is recovering from a mild heart attack.
- 5. EEE Report: The MA Board of Health trapping program reported no EEE activity in Massachusetts during the last sampling period of the year. This is the third consecutive year that Massachusetts has not collected EEE isolates. There is increased concern regarding the next few years as we enter the 7-10 year EEE cycle, particularly with the wet fall we've just had. As a sidelight, New Jersey has reported a horse contracting EEE.
- 6. G.E.I.R Update: David has completed the questionnaire sent out by the Reclamation Board. The draft G.E.I.R. was sent out for public comment. Most comment to date have been positive, excluding those received from the Westford conservation officer. David feels that it will be another 3-5 years before this report is finalized.

- 7. Old Business: None.
- 8. New Business: Project personnel have tallied the 1996 requests for spraying. The number of requests for larvaciding was 547, up from 260 last year. The number of requests for adulticiding was 2,869, up from 1,652 noted last year. Tewksbury, Wilmington and Billerica were the three highest areas making requests.

The Project received approximately 1,500 linear feet of (old) granite curbing. Project personnel will use this for wetland crossings, culverts and dams during the upcoming field season.

Meeting adjourned at 11:40 A.M.

Next CMMCP Commissioner's meeting is November 14, 1996.

APPROVED

Frank Perrin, Chairman, CMMCP

11-14-96

Date