CENTRAL MASSACHUSETTS MOSQUITO CONTROL PROJECT

MINUTES OF THE COMMISSIONER'S MEETING

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Date:

June 2, 2003

Time:

11:00 AM

Place:

CMMCP Headquarters, 111 Otis Street, Northborough, Massachusetts 01532

Present:

Richard Day, Pablo Noguera, Dean Mazzarella, George Smith, Ken Courtemanche & Tim

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- 1. The minutes of the May 8, 2003 CMMCP Commissioner's minutes were unanimously approved.
- 2. The following payrolls were approved unanimously:

May 10, 2002

\$14,143.47

May 17, 2002

\$14.086.53

May 24, 2002

\$14,417.87

May 31, 2002

\$13,517.13

Jun. 7, 2003

\$12,886.44

- 3. Submitted invoices for June 2, 2003 totaling \$40,347.18 were unanimously approved.
- 4. Work Schedule: The tractor has 2 projects, one on Sherborn and one in Southboro that will be ready to go in 2 weeks. Work crews began larviciding in area catch basins, but have suspended this program due to heavy rains we have received. They have switched over to reflood areas, and will go back to basins as soon as possible. Overtime for larviciding has ended as of May 30. The night shift has begun, and crews have done an outstanding job keeping pace with the heavy receipt of phone calls, despite the cool, rainy weather. Pesticide stock is OK, but we will need to order more Scourge® soon.
- 5. Old Business: Annual Town Meetings have completed in our service area. No towns had articles to withdraw, 2 towns (Lunenburg & Hopkinton) had articles to continue participation that passed favorably, and no new towns have had articles to join.

Personal time for Project employees was tabled until the yearly discussion on employee pay & COLA increases.

6. New Business: Tim reported on the SRB meeting held in Boston on June 10. This was a forum for Audubon and other anti-pesticide groups to voice their opposition to the Commonwealth's

mosquito control programs. No formal action was taken by SRB at this time, and the adulticide program was actually supported by SRB and other people in attendance.

The next item for discussion was the annual COLA and pay increase discussion. Tim presented the Commission with the following data: the current CMMCP rate schedule; the current employee listing with pay grades; a spreadsheet showing the \$\$ amounts of an anticipated step and COLA increase. The Commission voted unanimously to give a 2% Cost-of-Living Adjustment (COLA) based on the Consumer Price Index. The Commission also voted unanimously to grant all Project employees one step raise in our matrix, with the exception of the following: Mike Johnson was granted a 2 step increase, and Tim Welch was reclassified into the Operator classification, Grade D. The Commission was thanked for their generosity by Ken & Tim.

The meeting adjourned at 11:45 PM.

Approved:

Richard Day, Chairman, CMMCP

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