

CENTRAL MASSACHUSETTS MOSQUITO CONTROL PROJECT

MINUTES OF THE COMMISSIONER'S MEETING

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Date: August 8, 2012
Time: 11:00 AM
Place: CMMCP headquarters, 111 Otis Street, Northborough, Massachusetts 01532
Present: Richard Day, Pablo Noguera, Dean Mazzearella, Sam Telford, Tim Deschamps & Tim McGlinchy. Not present was Paul Mazzuchelli.

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1. At 11:12 AM Commission Chair Richard Day declared there was a quorum and the meeting began.
2. The minutes of July 11, 2012 CMMCP Commissioner's minutes were approved unanimously on a motion by Mr. Mazzearella, seconded by Mr. Noguera.
3. The following payrolls were approved unanimously on a motion by Mr. Mazzearella, seconded by Mr. Noguera:

Jul. 7, 2012	\$22,111.44	Jul. 14, 2012	\$21,559.07
Jul. 21, 2012	\$22,039.47	Jul. 28, 2012	\$22,134.14
Aug. 4, 2012	\$22,898.46		
4. Submitted FY/13 invoices for August 8, 2012 totaling \$47,036.14 (including payrolls) were unanimously approved on a motion by Mr. Mazzearella, seconded by Mr. Noguera.
5. **Work Schedule:** Tim M. reports that as of 10AM this morning we have received a total of 10,133 requests for service: 8,987 were adulticide service requests, and we have serviced 8,625, leaving 362 outstanding (4%). We have about 2,037 less requests than we did at this time last year, 2011 being our busiest year on record. This represents a 17% decrease in requests for service overall, a 17% decrease in adulticide calls from July of 2011. The difference was 27% in July. We have done area wide spraying for virus in Westboro, Shrewsbury, Westford, Chelmsford and Tewksbury. The crews are treating catch basins with overtime being offered on Fridays. The excavator finished a project in Lancaster near the Bolton Flats (low flow), with our next job set up in Hudson on River Rd. (low flow).
6. **Old Business:** The first agenda item was a possible 2012 salary increase, the Commission will wait for a full board before serious discussion will commence.

Tim D. had information for the Commission on the state-wide arbovirus situation.

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CMMCP performed vector control events in Tewksbury (8/1), Shrewsbury (7/31), Marlboro (for a Sudbury EEE positive, 7/30), Westboro (EEE, 7/30 & 8/2), Westford (8/6) and Chelmsford (8/2). We are waiting for results from Westboro, Boylston, Fitchburg, Dracut, Leominster & Chelmsford. Tim passed out a writer up from Field Biologist Frank Cornine showing reduction in mosquito populations after vector spraying in Westboro & Shrewsbury.

Since our last meeting Frank has done presentations at the following Senior Centers: Acton, Northboro & Shrewsbury.

Tim D. attended the Minuteman Airport open house on July 14 and reported fairly good attendance.

7. **New Business:** Tim recently was informed that the Comptrollers office has been underpaying for several years our retirement portion, and has taken nearly \$90,000 for FY12. This will come out of our balance forward, and we will need to absorb this additional surcharge each year.

Tim will work on the FY14 maintenance estimate, due to SRB by the end of September. He anticipates about \$118,000 as a balance forward.

Tim had information on the recent aerial spray event in SE Mass., and informed the Commission of another round scheduled very soon.

Discussion on the jobs specs for a new position was postponed.

Tim D ended the probationary period for Richard Demers early due to the fact he has grasped the principles of mosquito control well and is working fine on his own.

We received a copy of a letter from former employee Michael Simakauskas sent to SRB Chair & the Worcester office of the MCAD.

FMLA leave for Karen Millet has been approved; there is no indication on a date for her return to CMMCP at this time.

The fleet addition/upgrade & ULV sprayer addition/upgrade agenda items were tabled.

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8. Several correspondences were received for review thanking us for the positive effect from our spray program in their area, as well as a letter from Lancaster Town Administrator Orlando Pacheco thanking us for a ditch maintenance project recently done in town.
9. Public comment – none (no public in attendance)
10. The meeting adjourned at 11:41 PM. **Next meeting date is Sept. 12, 2012; same time & location.**

Approved: Richard J. Day
Richard Day, Chairman, CMMCP

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