

CENTRAL MASSACHUSETTS MOSQUITO CONTROL PROJECT

MINUTES OF THE COMMISSIONER'S MEETING

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Date: May 8, 2013
Time: 11:00 AM
Place: CMMCP Headquarters, 111 Otis Street, Northborough, Massachusetts 01532
Present: Richard Day, Dean Mazzarella, Paul Mazzuchelli, Sam Telford, Tim Deschamps & Tim McGlinchy. Not present was Pablo Noguera

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1. At 11:06 AM Chair Richard Day declared there was a quorum.
2. The minutes of April 10, 2013 CMMCP Commissioner's minutes were approved unanimously on a motion by Mr. Mazzarella, seconded by Mr. Mazzuchelli.
3. The following payrolls were approved unanimously on a motion by Mr. Mazzarella, seconded by Mr. Mazzuchelli:

Apr. 13, 2013	\$19,003.84	Apr. 20, 2013	\$21,035.89
Apr. 27, 2013	\$19,586.05	May 3, 2013	\$19,510.75
4. Submitted FY/13 invoices for May 8, 2013 totaling \$187,719.72 (including payroll) were approved unanimously on a motion by Mr. Mazzarella, seconded by Mr. Mazzuchelli.
5. **Work Schedule:** Tim M. reports that field crews have been performing larval control throughout the districts. Once spring-brood mosquitoes hatch we will gradually transition into the WNV preventive, early season catch basin treatments, and then eventually the evening spray shift, at/around Memorial Day. Since our last meeting we had an excavator job completed in Hudson, with excavator jobs ready in Berlin, Hudson (2), Northborough and Natick. We had tire collection events last month in Leominster and Fitchburg, with future events scheduled in Holliston, Wilmington, Tewksbury and Acton. Totals from last month were 4.53 tons (453 tires) from 9 towns, 98.6 tons in total (9,860).
6. **Old Business:** The CMMCP annual reports for 2012 are posted on the website, with hard copies available to anyone upon request.

Tim D had an update on annual town meetings; to date he has seen 24 warrants with no mention of our program; the town of Uxbridge does have an article to continue supported by most town boards.

2013 Meeting Schedule:

January-9, February-13, March-13, April-10, May-8, **June 12**, July 10, August 14, September 11, October 9, November 13, December 11

CMMCP employees attended the Clarke Workshop at our facility on Apr. 11 with pesticide credits available for those in attendance.

Tim D and Crew Leader District 4 Mike Pojani attended an Earth Day event in Natick on April 21, 2013 from 11am-3pm. They report good attendance and response; we had our educational materials available, mosquito larvae and an interactive display where kids can dip from tires to find larvae.

Tim D held an informational program in town of Bolton on April 23, 2013 at 7pm for residents at the request of the Board of Health. This is in advance of annual town meeting, and Tim reported good attendance.

Tim & Tim attended the Western Mass. Public Health forum, with 1 session held in Holyoke from 8am-noon, and the other in Pittsfield held from 5pm-7pm. Both sessions were on Apr. 24, 2013. There were presentations from Lee Corte-Real (DAR/Pesticide & SRMCB) on mosquito control, Dr. Katie Brown (MDPH) on mosquito diseases, and the morning session also had a speaker about extreme weather events. In addition to attendance by Tim & Tim, Chris Horton from Berkshire County MCP was also on hand to answer questions on mosquito specifics. Both sessions were well attended.

Frank Cornine, CMMCP Field Biologist & Dave Walsh, CMMCP Field Technician staffed a booth at the Shrewsbury Arbor Day event on April 27, 2013 from 9am-noon. They reported good attendance and positive feedback, and Tim D would like to thank them for staffing our booth since he had a conflicting public event in Acton.

The Acton Wellness Fair scheduled on April 27, 2013 was abruptly cancelled at the last minute due to issues with the venue. Tim D had planned to attend and was giving a 1 hour lecture on mosquito & tick biology, control and diseases. He has been told it will be rescheduled.

Tim M attended the Tewksbury Health Fair on May 1, 2013 from 3pm-8pm and reported good attendance and positive feedback. Tim M has staffed this event the past several years and Tim D would like to thank him for his work.

Mendon Annual Town Meeting was held on May 3, 2013, and the town did not vote to join CMMCP. They have a Prop. 21/2 override question on the May 14 ballot.

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Bolton Annual Town Meeting was held on May 6, 2013, and the town did not vote to join CMMCP. They have a Prop. 21/2 override question on the May 13 ballot.

Tim D reports that he has received 32 SRB Form-3, all in "Support" of our budget request. No forms were received stating "Do Not Support". This is in excess of the 26 needed for the 2/3 majority set by SRMCB. Tim will package them up and send to Boston.

7. **New Business:** Upton has an article to join at their May 9, 2013 Annual Town Meeting. Tim D will be in attendance as requested by the Upton BOH.

Sterling has an article to join at their May 13, 2013 Annual Town Meeting. Tim D will be in attendance as requested by the Sterling BOH.

CMMCP will receive an award from Secretary of Energy & Environmental Affairs Richard Sullivan for our educational programs on May 13, 2013.

Uxbridge has an article to continue participation at their May 14 Annual Town Meeting. Tim D plans to attend but Tim M has agreed to attend if the Sterling ATM the night before runs more than 1 night.

We have been invited to attend the Westford Water & Environmental Wellness Expo on May 15, 2013 from 4pm-8pm. Tim D will attend and man a booth with our educational materials.

Tim D has been invited by Billerica BOH Director Rich Berube to be a guest on his cable access program on May 22, 2013 at 7pm.

Shrewsbury is trying to coordinate a PSA with our program to run on local cable, a program showing areas where larvae can develop around your home, and other prevention methods.

Our open FTE positions are awaiting approval from Boston, once that is received the applicants will give notice at their current jobs.

The 5 seasonal positions have been filled with conditional offers. 2 have not been approved to drive state vehicles, but we can work around that. Approvals from Boston are in process, we anticipate having them start at/around May 20.

Tim M has set up bottled gas training (free) with AirGas, to be held on May 31 at our facility.

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Tim M is working on the emergency procedures manual with other CMMCP staff.

Tim D presented the Commission with a draft survey to be sent to member Boards of Health. It currently has 7 questions, and he will devise 3 more and then send back to the Commission for review. After that it will go out by e-mail. Results will be expected by the end of the month, with a report to be compiled and placed on our website, sent to SRMCB and member communities.

8. Three correspondences were received for review; one from the City of Leominster thanking us for our participation in a recent tire recycling event; one from a resident of Auburn commending Staff Entomologist Curtis Best on his educational program given to his daughter's class, and one from the Hamilton Rod & Gun Club in Sturbridge thanking us for a ditch maintenance project we recently performed.
9. Public comment – none (no public in attendance)
10. The meeting adjourned at 11:43 PM. **Next meeting date is June 12, 2013 at the Project office.**

Approved: _____

Richard Day, Chairman, CMMCP

Date: _____

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