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CENTRAL MASSACHUSETTS MOSQUITO CONTROL PROJECT

MINUTES OF THE COMMISSIONER'S MEETING

Date: June 11, 2014

Time: 11:00 AM

Place: CMMCP Headquarters, 111 Otis Street, Northborough, Massachusetts 01532

Present: Richard Day, Paul Mazzuchelli, Sam Telford, Tim Deschamps & Tim McGlinchy. Not present was Pablo Noguera and Dean Mazzarella.

1. At 11:00 AM Chair Richard Day declared there was a quorum and the meeting commenced. ✓
2. The minutes of Apr. 9, 2014 CMMCP Commissioner's minutes were approved unanimously on a motion by Mr. Mazzuchelli, seconded by Mr. Telford. ✓

3. The following payrolls were approved unanimously on a motion by Mr. Mazzuchelli, seconded by Mr. Mazzuchelli: ✓

Apr. 12, 2014	\$21,298.02	Apr. 19, 2014	\$21,050.65
Apr. 19, 2014	\$1,151.28 (vacation buyout)	Apr. 26, 2014	\$23,123.01
May 3, 2014	\$22,978.25	May 10, 2014	\$21,907.73
May 17, 2014	\$21,555.15	May 24, 2014	\$22,392.27
May 31, 2014	\$22,668.75	Jun. 7, 2014	\$27,281.79

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4. Submitted FY/14 invoices for Apr. 9, 2014 totaling \$337,778.64 (including payroll) were approved unanimously on a motion by Mr. Mazzuchelli, seconded by Mr. Telford.
5. **Work Schedule:** Tim M. reports the crew members had been working on service requests for adulticiding and larviciding. To date 5,600 calls for service have been received, and just over 3,000 are done, leaving 14% outstanding. We are running 1-2 weeks behind, but the crews are working hard to clear the backlog. Our tire program is in hiatus while we respond to these service calls.
6. **Old Business:** Tim D had an e-mail exchange with the Upton Conservation Commission, answering more specific questions about our program.

As indicated earlier in the year, the town of Groton voted out of our program on April 28 due to budget restrictions. No services were provided.

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The town of Tyngsboro did not vote to join our program on May 20, 2014.

All annual town meeting warrants have been reviewed; no articles to withdraw were noted.

The SRMCB had a meeting on May 21, 2014. Our budget amount of \$1,989,933 was certified. Tim D. noted we received 35 out of 39 (90%) Form SRB-3s indicating support for our budget from our member communities, with no responses indicating no support.

7. **New Business:** We had staff at the annual Arbor Day event held by SELCO on Saturday April 26. Despite the rainy weather the crews reported a good response.

We had staff at the annual Earth Day event in Natick on Sunday April 27. The weather was quite good, and our crews reported a very high turnout with good feedback.

Tim D has worked up a new online submission form for service requests. This is set up to mimic our current database, and early reports are good from both the public and CMMCP staff.

Tim D had results from the helicopter applications on April 22-23. A 85.93% reduction was noted overall, with Billerica at 95%, Boxborough at 49.34% and Chelmsford at 87.2%. Tim notes that official results in Boxborough do not truly represent the overall control. Our dipping procedures in town were not as rigid as they should be, and he spent the better part of the day along with Field Biologist Frank Cornine looking at several additional sites in town. They noted excellent control, only finding one weak larvae all day and Bti in several locations.

Tim D will be meeting with the Boxborough Board of Health on June 11 at 7pm to discuss the recent helicopter applications.

Rick Demers took the category 47 test for the third time, and failed again. He will have to wait one full year before he can take it again.

No news on the CDL Class A; employee(s) interested in this license will be encouraged to train with us after the summer season has ended.

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We are waiting for approval from Boston to bring on 2 new seasonal employees Tim D gave a conditional job offer to them nearly 5 weeks ago. They have both been approved to drive state vehicles.

2 employees, Edward Croshaw & Ryan Pontbriand have passed their Hoist Engineer 2a test.

Tim D asked SRMCB for a status update for our new vehicle purchase; no word up to this point. His understanding is that they were ordered in late April, with a 14-16 week timeframe.

Tim D had new information the Commission on our field trials/research for this coming season: field trials of FourStar Bti CRG for pre-hatch control did not show any positive results; field trials of FourStar CRG for *Cq. perturbans* control is underway; field trials of Zenivex E20 vs. Anvil 10+10 will be delayed and possible cancelled due to the label wording on Zenivex, allowing truck speed of 10-20 mph, not as low as 5 mph like the label for Anvil 10+10.

Our emergency procedures manual is completed, a sample was shown to the Commission.

Tim D. had pictures of our first beaver control device recently installed in Hudson. Initial results were very positive. Tim noted Wetland Project Coordinator Katrina Proctor worked hard on this, and CMMCP staff Rich Greite, Jonathan Briggs and Ryan Pontbriand did an excellent job during the installation.

8. One correspondence was received, a note from Congressman James McGovern congratulating us for our recent Environmental Merit Award from the EPA.
9. Public comment – none (no public in attendance)
10. The meeting adjourned at 11:39 PM. **Next meeting date is July 9, 2014 at the Project office.**

Approved: _____

Richard Day, Chairman, CMMCP

Date: _____

July 9, 2014

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