

# CENTRAL MASSACHUSETTS MOSQUITO CONTROL PROJECT

## MINUTES OF THE COMMISSIONERS MEETING

DATE: August 15, 1991  
TIME: 12:00 Noon  
PLACE: Davco Farm, Southborough, MA

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Present: Frank Perrin, Ray Davis, Jeffrey Bean, Stephen Henry,  
Richard Day and David Scott

1. The minutes of the July 18, 1991 Commissioners Meeting were unanimously approved.

2. The following payrolls were unanimously approved:

7/20/91	\$7413.22	7/27/91	\$7747.98
8/3/91	\$8044.08	8/10/91	\$7808.89

3. Invoices amounting to \$19,704.00 were approved by unanimous vote.

4. Our summer help will be leaving in the next week or two to return to college. Our mechanic left our employ by way of resignation; another person has been hired - a Mr. Cobat from Milbury. We will see how he works out.

5. EEE Update:

The Commonwealth of Mass. found virus in C. Melanura mosquitoes in Westboro, Raynham and Carver. Highland J virus found in several other places and there were two horses affected by EEE virus. One expired August 2nd and the other August 8th, both in Westboro. Neither horse had been vaccinated and both horses were from the same stable. The location was close to Cedar Swamp.

David circulated print-outs from our light traps in Westboro. Indications are that the greatest volume was June 1st and July 5th for Melanura and June 1st and July 22nd for Perturbans. Volume count was low compared to usual seasons. In any event David says it takes 7-9 days from mosquito bite to full bloom EEE. The state is also using a new style cone trap which uses CO2 as the attractant. We use the New Jersey light trap which uses a light as the attractant.

David advised it would be time to be concerned if any more ill effects were to develop. David said we pretty much covered the area in Westboro and Southboro which could be breeders and will keep an eye out for futher developments.

6. Legislation: Audubon 5550 still on track and due to come up in September. David gave each Commissioner a draft of the proposed legislation, which had been drafted by the Cape Cod, Norfolk County and Central Mass. projects. Cost to develop was shared by CCMP and CMMCP. It is an amendment to Chapter 252 entitled "Improvements of Low Lands and Swamps". Hopefully this amendment to Chapter MGL252 will be eligible and ready to replace 5550 with a sensible, fair and equitable piece of legislation.
7. Work Schedule: Mostly larviciding except for hot-spot spraying for adults when necessary. Doing water management in Westboro.
- 7a. Usage of material for air spray for emergency use: Malathion. The Commonwealth of Mass. has stored in 40 lb. bags 40,000 lbs. of B.T. Pellets at our garage (woth about \$100,000.00).
- 7b. Some discussion about retention or detention areas being installed by developers at the insistence of towns - who services them? Who cleans them and keeps them so they function as they are supposed to? There are so many of them; every development has them with no plan to care for them. New mosquito breeders are being built by the hundreds.
8. Next meeting September 19, 1991.
9. Meeting adjourned 2:10 P.M.

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_



Chairman  
C.M.M.C.P.