

CENTRAL MASSACHUSETTS MOSQUITO CONTROL PROJECT

MINUTES OF THE COMMISSIONERS MEETING

DATE: April 9, 1992
TIME: 12:00 Noon
PLACE: Davco Farm, Southborough, MA

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

1. The minutes of the March 12, 1992 Commissioners Meeting were unanimously approved.

2. The following payrolls were unanimously approved:

3/14/92	\$6709.60	3/21/92	\$6697.59
3/28/92	\$6699.77	4/4/92	\$6709.60

3. Invoices amounting to \$1,149.57 were unanimously approved.

4. The project's Annual Report has been finished and a master copy was given to each Commissioner. Individual annual town reports are given to each of the following departments in each town: Selectmen, Board of Health, Finance Committee, Library, Highway Department and Conservation Commission.

5. Water Management (source reduction) continued along with larviciding. John Deere Model 70 used for target practice by vandals; damage inspected by State Police. Damage would not exceed our deductible so no need to claim insurance.

6. Project and personnel preparing for adulticiding when it becomes necessary.

7. The meeting with Shirley Selectmen and Conservation Commission proved to be an educational exercise which may or may not result favorably at their May Town Meeting.

8. Lunenburg Town Meeting scheduled for Saturday, April 11. David will attend it in the p.m. when Article 35 comes up. Being the last Article puts it at a disadvantage to start; time will tell. A fact sheet was made up and it was arranged to have copies handed out at the meeting.

9. AMCA Meeting was very worthwhile. Three other Massachusetts projects were in attendance. Environmental concerns seem to be strong throughout the country. Maryland's Open Marsh Water Management Program is at a standstill due to concerns with threatened and endangered species.

Reports of Bti in liquid form used with some success but only if impossible conditions exist during application; 15-20 MPH breeze required where a heavy canopy is involved. Its cost is about 1/2 Bti pellets but does either one justify the expense?

10. At the New Jersey Mosquito Control Association Meeting mapping by G.I.S. was discussed. Ray Davis will have Mathew Davis give us a briefing as soon as possible on G.I.S. mapping. Possibly we could invite Bill Doane to that meeting.

11. Light Trap program to be beefed up so information can be used to direct the program, not follow it. Traps to be modified to keep beetles out and traps to be collected every 3 or 4 days.
12. Old Business - none.
13. New Business - Trip to China July 3 to 17 - \$4475.00 plus \$500 or \$600. Will talk about it next meeting. David has been invited to China with the China Association for Science and Technology and the Citizen Ambassador Program People to People International. The cost of this trip would be approximately \$7,000.00. He feels that with the budget restraints we currently must contend with as well as this trip being in the peak of our season, he must regretfully pass up this opportunity.
14. Meeting adjourned 2:50 p.m.
15. Next Meeting - May 14, 1992

APPROVED:



Chairman
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