CENTRAL MASSACHUSETTS MOSQUITO CONTROL PROJECT

Minutes of the Commissioner's Meeting

Date:

August 10, 1995

Time:

11:00 A.M.

Place:

CMMCP District Headquarters, Northborough, MA

Present:

Frank Perrin, David Scott, Jeffrey Bean, Richard Day, Pablo Noguera and

Stephen Henry

1. The minutes of the July 13, 1995 Commissioners meeting were unanimously approved.

- 2. August, 1995 invoices amounting to \$48,030.12 were unanimously approved.
- 3. The following payrolls were unanimously approved:

July 15, 1995	\$8,868.27
July 22, 1995	\$ 8,840.28
July 29, 1995	\$ 8,575.07
Aug. 05, 1995	\$ 8,933.41

- 4. Work Schedule: District personnel are doing some larvaciding. Staff are adulticiding, particularly around recreational facilities. Towards the end of August, as we approach the beginning of school, playground areas will be treated. With the recent rain, a new brood of mosquito is expected which will result in increased calls for spraying. Catch basins continue to be treated. Water management activities are near completion in Boxborough where crews are finishing a pond reconstruction project. From there the water management crew will go to Southboro for a couple of weeks then move on to Northboro, Blackstone and Natick.
- 5. Lutter Brook, Wilmington: There is a local effort to conduct a cleanup program of Luther Brook in Wilmington. CMMCP was contact for assistance. CMMCP will assist with vegetation control. David has advised program coordinators that based on the scope of work, it should take approximately five years to complete the estimated 17 miles of river.

- 6. Lease Update: CMMCP still does not have a signed lease. DCPO is still negotiating with the landlord over square footage and (lack of) handicap access. The building square footage has been negotiated down to 8,254 sq. ft. The landlord has said he will make the facility handicap accessible if required.
- 7. EE Surveillance Update: State monitoring has not found EE anywhere in the State. Highlands J. has been observed in Easton, Halifax and Carver, as expected.
- 8. CMMCP Surveillance Update: The most recent trap counts are approximately one quarter of what was observed last year at this time. Overall rainfall is significantly less than last year. When we do get rain, like last week, it is quickly absorbed because the ground is so dry; very little standing water.
- 9. Equipment Update: Delivery of the Project's new 2+ton truck is expected shortly. David is budgeting for a new 10-ton trailer as the present one is nearly 20 years old and in need of expensive repairs. David is also budgeting approximately \$5,000 for repairs to the tractor which needs extensive work done to the idler and track.
- 10. Budget Preparation: David is presently preparing the FY'96 budget which needs to be submitted to Boston by the end of the month. The Project's budget will be based on a \$607,843 figure. David is going to include Dracut's (recently joined the CMMCP District) \$28,000 funding in a supplemental budget request. The Commissioners voted (5-0) to request a 5% increase for the total project's budget.
- 11. Old Business: None
- 12. New Business: David received a letter from Tim Deschamps, a twelve year employee with a good service record. He is requesting an opportunity for professional advancement within the Project. Currently there are no positions available. It is expected that water management activities may increase in the future and that perhaps at that time a position may become available.

Meeting adjourned at 11:50 A.M.

Next meeting is September 14, 1995, 11:00 A.M. at CMMCP Headquarters, Northborough.

APPROVED:	Frank Venin	
	Frank Perrin, Chairman, CMMCP	Date