

**CENTRAL MASSACHUSETTS MOSQUITO CONTROL PROJECT**

**MINUTES OF THE COMMISSIONER'S MEETING**

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Date: February 14, 2024  
Time: 11:00 AM  
Place: Conference call line, (508) 936-3638 1234#  
Present: Roll call, present: Richard Day, Pablo Noguera, Paul Mazzuchelli, Sam Telford, Dean  
Mazzarella, Tim McGlinchy and Frank Cornine.

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1. Mr. Day called the meeting to order at 11:03AM by declaring we had a quorum present after roll call, and it was noted for the record the agenda was posted online on the CMMCP website in accordance to 940CMR 29.03(1)(c). 5 CMMCP Commissioners were in attendance on the conference call line, as was interim CMMCP Executive Director Tim McGlinchy, and CMMCP Staff Biologist Frank Cornine. No members of the public were present.

2. Public comment – none

3. The minutes of January 10, 2024 CMMCP Commissioner's meetings were accepted on a motion by Mr. Noguera, seconded by Mr. Mazzuchelli.

4. The following payrolls were voted unanimously on a motion by Mr. Mazzuchelli, seconded by Mr. Noguera.

Jan. 13, 2024	\$26,541.54	Jan. 20, 2024	\$25,461.20
Jan. 27, 2024	\$22,750.00	Feb. 3, 2024	\$22,750.00
Feb. 10, 2024	\$22,750.00		

5. Submitted FY/24 invoices for February 10, 2024 totaling \$241,613.27 (including payroll) voted unanimously on a motion by Mr. Noguera, seconded by Mr. Telford.

6. **Work Schedule:** Tim M. reports that field crews have primarily been working on source reduction jobs including stream cleaning throughout the districts. Today, with the recent snow fall, the field crews are remaining at the office to complete required ethics and diversity training.

2024 Meeting Schedule:

There are several upcoming excavator jobs, in the towns of Natick, Chelmsford, Wilmington, Hudson, Ashland, Holliston, and Milford. An excavator job in the Bear Hill Rd. area of Billerica was recently completed. For our low impact source reduction jobs, numerous are scheduled, including ones in Billerica, Tewksbury, Acton, Bolton, Hudson, Marlborough, Hopedale, and Sturbridge. Many of these jobs have been completed recently, in the towns of Chelmsford, Tewksbury, Hudson, Northborough, Natick, Ashland, and Webster. Since the last Commission meeting, one tire has been collected from the town of Holliston.

7. **Old Business:** Tim M notified to the Commission that the preliminary FY25 budget request of \$3,079,424, a 7.5% increase, has now been reduced to \$3,007,810, a 5% increase.

The Annual Operations Report has been posted and submitted to SRB. The Executive Summary has also been posted for 2023.

Tim D, Tim M and Frank C attended the Central MA Public Health Network mtg, virtually, on January 10, 2024. Tim D gave a brief presentation on the services CMMCP provides to member communities, and it was well received.

The EV First Initiative is continuing to proceed. Tim M and Frank C met with the landlord to discuss the logistics of installing EV chargers at the building. Tim M, Frank C, and foreman Jonathan B visited Plymouth County MCP to obtain more information on the EV grant process, and EV charger installation. Plymouth County MCP has already installed EV chargers and shared their experiences.

8. **New Business:** The legal ad for any potential CMMCP aerial applications in 2024 was posted in the Boston Globe on February 8, 2024.

January 25, Tim M and Frank C met with Alex Giannantonio of the SRB at CMMCP to further discuss the EV First Initiative, position postings and the FY25 budget.

Tim M and Frank C met with an industry representative at CMMCP on January 30, to discuss available product options available for the 2024 mosquito season.

2024 Meeting Schedule:

February 5, Tim M and Frank C attended an EEA recruitment for the SRB/MCD meeting, virtually. Further discussions were held on how to improve outreach for open positions within SRB and the MCPs.

Tim M and Frank C attended a DPH Insecticide Resistance Working Group on February 12, virtually. This meeting explored the potential of MCPs to test for resistance on EEE vector species, *Cs. melanura* and *Cq. perturbans*. Following the meeting Frank C contacted the working group leader to volunteer for the core group.

CMMCP Entomologist Curtis Best has informed the Project that he will be retiring effective March 1, 2024. The Board acknowledges how difficult it will be to replace Mr. Best and his experience.

Tim M has been appointed Interim Director, and has been serving in that capacity successfully since.

Interviews have been ongoing for the open Administrative Assistant position.

9. No correspondences were received for Commission review.
10. Other business not anticipated by the Chair 48 hours in advance, as informational: none
11. The meeting adjourned at 11:36AM. The next meeting date is March 13, 2024 by conference call unless otherwise posted.

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_

Richard Day, Commission Chair, CMMCP

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

March 15, 2024

2024 Meeting Schedule:

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January 10, February 14, March 13, April 10, May 8, June 12, July 10, August 14, September 11, October 9, November 13, December 18