

CENTRAL MASSACHUSETTS MOSQUITO CONTROL PROJECT

MINUTES OF THE COMMISSIONER'S MEETING

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Date: October 9, 2019
Time: 11:00 AM
Place: CMMCP Headquarters, 111 Otis Street, Northborough, Massachusetts 01532
Present: Richard Day, Dean Mazzarella, Paul Mazzuchelli, Sam Telford, Tim Deschamps & Tim McGlinchy. Not in attendance was Commissioner Pablo Noguera. Also in attendance was MDAR General Counsel Jessica Burgess and MDAR Attorney Matthew Shepard-Koningsor.
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1. Mr. Day called the meeting to order at 11:09AM by declaring we had a quorum present, and noting for the record the agenda was posted online on October 4, 2019 at 8:35AM. 4 CMMCP Commissioners were in attendance, as was CMMCP Executive Director Tim Deschamps and CMMCP Director of Operations Tim McGlinchy. Also in attendance was MDAR General Counsel Jessica Burgess and MDAR Attorney Matthew Shepard-Koningsor. No members of the public were present.

2. Public comment – none

3. The minutes of August 14, 2019 and August 26, 2019 CMMCP Commissioner's minutes were approved unanimously on a motion by Mr. Mazzuchelli, seconded by Mr. Telford.

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

Aug. 17, 2019	\$29,158.07	Aug. 24, 2019	\$29,004.51
Aug. 31, 2019	\$32,868.84	Sept. 7, 2019	\$26,071.74
Sept. 14, 2019	\$33,166.00	Sept. 21, 2019	\$31,681.25
Sept. 28, 2019	\$27,457.77	Oct. 5, 2019	\$25,996.80

5. Submitted FY/19 invoices for October 9, 2019 totaling \$401,215.82 (including payroll) were approved unanimously on a motion by Mr. Mazzuchelli, seconded by Mr. Telford.

6. **Work Schedule:** Tim M. reports that the work crews are currently in full water management mode. The tire recycle program is also operating essentially on a daily basis as we are catching up to tire pick up requests we have received over the summer months when the program is on operational hiatus. We had 18,858 adulticide requests closed via ground spray, with 20,550 closed including the aerial spray. Tim M. would like to note for the record that work crews were scheduled on short notice for a town-wide spray in Northboro, on a Sunday night. Since our last meeting we had low flow excavator jobs completed in

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Hudson and Lancaster. We have an excavator job on deck in Boxboro, with upcoming excavator work ready in Leominster, Lunenburg and Northbridge. We are investigating a beaver flow device in Southboro. Low impact work is in progress in Westford, Natick and Auburn. Low impact projects were completed in Fitchburg, Boxboro, Leominster, Marlboro, Berlin, Southboro, Holliston, Auburn, Northbridge, Hopedale (2) and Blackstone. Low impact projects are on deck in Wilmington, Leominster, Lancaster, Sherborn and Sturbridge. We collected 330 tires since our last meeting, bringing the total for this program to 31,464 tires (314.64 tons). We have a tire collection event scheduled in Holliston on October 19.

7. **Old Business:** Tim D had a report on the arbovirus situation to date. Statewide, 86 samples of WNV and 426 samples of EEE have been identified. Bristol & Plymouth counties have been aerially sprayed to reduced risk from EEE, and there have been 2 aerial events in our service area. In the CMMCP service area, we have received confirmation of 10 pools of WNV and 29 pools of EEE. Response to reduce risk in these areas have been coordinated with local officials. To date, we have collected 205,144 specimens (6,468 pools), with 56,374 (2,416 pools) submitted for testing.

Tim D noted the FY21 budget request remains at \$2,642,188, a 2.5% increase. Additional information will be available in the coming months that may change this budget amount.

CMMCP did employ the non-member mutual aid request in the town of Shirley to reduce risk from a EEE confirmation; 21.76 linear miles were sprayed on August 29, 2019. The SRMCB did review this request and voted to move it forward.

8. **New Business:** Tim D has/had numerous requests from non-member communities to present at upcoming meetings: Grafton BOS/BOH on Aug, 20; Grafton BOH on Sept. 9; Leicester BOS on Sept. 9; Grafton BOS/BOH on Oct. 1; Uxbridge FinCom on Oct. 8; Southbridge BOH on Oct. 10 (ppd. to Nov. 14); Mendon BOS/BOH on Oct. 15; Grafton public presentations on Oct. 16 (2 sessions); Grafton Town Meeting on Oct. 21 and Uxbridge Town Meeting on Oct. 22. He has also heard from Bolton and Charlton by phone, and has sent a letter requested by North Brookfield. He has also communicated by email with Upton.

Tim D was invited to a cable access program in Gardner on Sept. 5, 2019, and met with the Lancaster BOH for a cable access program on Sept. 12, 2019

Tim D was invited to the Lt. Governor's roundtable meeting on Sept. 17, 2019 in Framingham.

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CMMCP staff presented at the Blackstone Health Fair on Sept. 21, 2019 and the Westford Health Fair on Sept. 28, 2019.

The SRMCB's quarterly meeting has been rescheduled to Oct. 31, 2019 in Westboro, 10am.

The NMCA Field Day is scheduled on October 17, 2019 in Carver. Pesticide credits (CEU) will be available.

The Mosquito Control District Directors & Superintendents will meet at CMMCP on Oct. 29, 2019 to discuss the 2019 EEE season and make plans for the 2020 EEE season.

The NMCA annual meeting will be Dec. 9-11 in Milford. CMMCP staff will attend, pesticide credits (CEU) will be available.

An internal promotion (Crew Leader) was posted by HR and has been filled; Edward Croshaw was the lone applicant and has been promoted to Crew Leader.

Tim D had an update on our seasonal staff; 3 have returned to school, 5 have been kept on staff for surveillance and GIS. Seasonal staffer Chris Craig has been offered and accepted a position as Community Liaison for the Pioneer Valley Mosquito Control District. He will begin when his duties at CMMCP have concluded.

An FTE posting was sent out to HR on Sept. 27 to fill up to three open Field Tech positions.

Tim D stated that information on a possible heavy equipment purchase (skid/steer loader and/or a mini excavator) will be presented for Commission review in the coming months, as well as a necessary upgrades to our computer system.

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 public meeting adjourned at 11:29AM. Mr. Day called the Executive Session to order at 11:29AM on a motion by Mr. Mazzuchelli, seconded by Mr. Telford, declaring the Commission will not reconvene in open session; vote was unanimous.

Approved: Richard J. Day
Richard Day, Chairman, CMMCP

Date: Nov. 13, 2019

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