

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE
INDIAN RIVER MOSQUITO CONTROL DISTRICT
DECEMBER 10, 2019**

The monthly meeting of the Indian River Mosquito Control District Board of Commissioners was held in the District's office on Tuesday, December 10, 2019.

Present were: Commissioners Janice Broda & Tom Lowther (Buck Vocelle participated by phone), Director Doug Carlson, Assistant Director Sherry Burroughs, Michael Hudon, Mark Kartzinel, Diane Richards, Melanie Pacot, Don Shroyer, John Beidler.

Because Chairman Vocelle was participating by phone, Vice-Chairman Tom Lowther called the meeting to order at 9:00AM.

MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 12, 2019 MEETING (Attachment A)

Through a motion by Janice Broda, the minutes of the November 12, 2019 meeting were accepted.

FINANCIAL REPORT (November 1 through November 30; Attachment B)

Income.....	\$1,768,963.86
Disbursements	
Local Funds (includes Checks 12422-12479 & dd10780-dd10840).....	\$429,961.50
Non direct-deposit payroll.....	\$0.00
State Funds (no checks).....	\$0.00
Total Disbursements.....	\$429,961.50
Net.....	\$1,339,002.36
Change in cash position from last month	\$1,314,984.20
Bank balance (all accounts).....	\$3,247,619.19
Less reserves and contingency.....	-\$743,120.08
Total available cash	\$2,504,499.11

Through a motion by Janice Broda, the financial information was accepted and filed for audit.

OLD BUSINESS

AWARD OF LARVICIDE BIDS (Attachment C). Mr. Carlson referred to the attachment which compared the bids. For our primary larvicide (granular Bti) the price from Adapco and Target was virtually the same and since we have extensive and positive experience with Valent Biosciences Vectobac CG (offered through Adapco), Staff recommended the bid be awarded to Adapco but with Staff trying the Target product (Summit Bti) to gain some experience with it. Through a motion by Janice Broda, it passed to award the granular larvicide bid to Adapco. Only Clarke provided a bid for spinosid (Censor) so that was awarded to them.

CONSIDERATION OF ABANDONING WATER TOWER ELECTRIC PUMP STATION EASEMENT GRANTED BY INDIAN RIVER LAND TRUST. Doug reported that IRLT Executive Director Ken Grudens was not able to attend this meeting but plans to make it to our January 2020 meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

CONSIDERATION OF CITY OF SEBASTIAN MORATORIUM TO NOT ALLOW CHEMICALS TO BE DISPERSED INTO WATERWAYS (Attachment D). Doug referred to the attachment which included the e-mail from Sebastian City Manager Paul Carlisle where he informed IRMCD that, at their November 20 City Council meeting, the Council passed a moratorium on all chemicals in the waterways in the Sebastian City limits. Since our ULV spraying effectively dispurses chemical about 300 feet from the point of release our spray does drift over what we consider to be waterways in Sebastian. No definition has yet been provided by Sebastian officials for a "waterway". Doug mentioned that on November 25, he spoke with Mr. Carlisle about this action and offered to speak at their Dec. 11 Council meeting which he gladly accepted. It has been placed on the agenda which was handed out to the commissioners. Ms. Broda mentioned that she hoped we will be able to approach this with the City of Sebastian in a cooperative manner.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

TEMPORARY CONTROL

- LARVICIDING. Mr. Carlson reported that 3075 acres were aerially larvicided in November. The historical average for the month is 1001 acres. The past 5-year average for this month is 1589 ac.
- ADULTICIDING. During November, 177 miles were sprayed. The historical average is 462 mi. The past 5-year average for this month is 158 miles.
- SERVICE REQUESTS. 34 service requests were received in November. The historical average for the month is 40. The past 5-year average for this month is 25 requests.

PERMANENT CONTROL. All culverts remain open for the fall/winter/spring period. Staff is now working on pump station and dike repairs as conditions allow.

- INSTALLATION OF LINER IN 2 CULVERTS UNDER ORCHID ISLE ESTATES' ROAD. Doug reported that R&S Metalworks is moving forward with preparations to install liners in the 2 remaining culverts which are under the community road. They are planning to do the work in January.

ARBOVIRUS SURVEILLANCE.

WNV. Mark Kartzinel reported that we had 17 WNV positive chickens in November and a total of 65 year-to-date. There have been 728 YTD in the state. Our mosquito populations presently are low. Mark mentioned that Dave Pelley has been hired as our biologist/entomologist on the Arbovirus Surveillance program and we are now advertising for a Mosquito Control Technician for that group as well.

DENGUE, ZIKA. Concerning dengue, statewide there were 54 imported cases in November with 368 YTD; in November there were 2 locally transmitted cases with a YTD total of 14.

EDUCATIONAL ITEMS.

- CAREER DAY AT SEBASTIAN MIDDLE SCHOOL. On November 20, the District participated in the Sebastian Middle School's Career Day. Michael Hart and Scott Artman attended on the District's behalf.

FMCA PRESIDENTIAL CITATION. Doug mentioned that, at the recent FMCA Annual Meeting, Diane Richards received the Presidential Citation for her many contributions to the FMCA, in particular her service as Chairman of the Finance Committee.

UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS

- January 14, 2020 @ 9:05AM (OPEB meeting will precede this meeting)
- Jan. 14-16 - FMCA Fly-in will be held at Lee County
- February 11 @ 9:00AM
- March 10 @ 9:00AM
- April 14 @ 9:00AM

COMMENTS

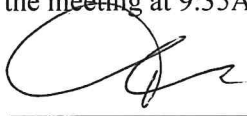
Sherry Burroughs mentioned that the FMCA’s Tallahassee Days will be held on Jan. 21-22 and volunteers are welcome. Commissioners Lowther and Vocelle both said they will try to attend this year.

Mr. Lowther said that this year’s Holiday Party at Vero Bowl was a fun event and a nice change from the previous years of holding it at IRMCD. Johie Avril was recognized for her fine work in organizing this annual gathering.

Michael Hudon reported that an investigation as to whether IRMCD contributed to a bee kill was held and mosquito control was determined not to be the cause. The beekeeper was cited for using chemicals not as required on the label.

MOTION FOR ADJOURNMENT

As there was no further business to discuss, through a motion by Janice Broda, Vice-Chairman Lowther adjourned the meeting at 9:35AM.

Attest:  _____ 