# MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE INDIAN RIVER MOSQUITO CONTROL DISTRICT JANUARY 14, 2020

The monthly meeting of the Indian River Mosquito Control District Board of Commissioners was held in the District's office on Tuesday, January 14, 2020.

Present were: Commissioners Janice Broda, Tom Lowther and Buck Vocelle, Director Doug Carlson, Assistant Director Sherry Burroughs, Ken Grudens, David Fuss and Michael O'Haire (Indian River Land Trust), Michael Hudon, Mark Kartzinel, Morel Jules, Diane Richards and John Beidler.

Chairman Vocelle called the meeting to order at 9:12AM. Through a motion by Janice Broda, it passed to follow the annual rotation of officers. Therefore for 2020, Tom Lowther will serve as Chair, Janice Broda as Vice-Chair and Buck Vocelle as Secretary/Treasurer.

### MINUTES OF DECEMBER 10, 2019 MEETING (Attachment A)

Through a motion by Janice Broda, the minutes of the December 10, 2019 meeting were accepted.

## FINANCIAL REPORT (December 1 through December 31; Attachment B)

Income	\$2,041,493.06
Disbursements	
Local Funds (includes Checks 12480-12547 & dd10841-dd10901)	\$362,226.47
Non direct-deposit payroll	\$1,377.30
State Funds (no checks)	\$0.00
Total Disbursements	\$363,603.77
Net	\$1,677,889.29
Change in cash position from last month	\$1,638,745.35
Bank balance (all accounts)	\$4,886,364.54
Less reserves and contingency	
Total available cash	\$4,143,244.46

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

## **OLD BUSINESS**

CONSIDERATION OF ABANDONING WATER TOWER ELECTRIC PUMP STATION EASEMENT GRANTED BY INDIAN RIVER LAND TRUST. Doug briefly summarized the situation that since the District does not have any current plans to use the pump easement granted to IRMCD, IRLT would like the District to abandon that easement. Ken Grudens (IRLT Executive Director) and Michael O'Haire said a bit about the situation including that removal of the easement takes away one limit on the title for the property which can be helpful to them when raising funds. Ms. Broda said that under the circumstances, the easement is of little value to the District. Through a motion by Mr. Vocelle, the Board approved abandoning the pump station easement. IRLT will have the technicalities of executing it.

UPDATE ON CITY OF SEBASTIAN MORATORIUM TO NOT ALLOW CHEMICALS INTO WATERWAYS (Attachment C). Doug referred to the attachment which was an e-mail that Doug sent to each IRMCD commissioner. It stated that at that meeting, they removed IRMCD spraying from their moratorium.

UPDATE ON PROCUREMENT OF DATABASE SYSTEM. Sherry Burroughs provided a status report that she is finalizing a scope of services then we plan to advertise for an intent to negotiate for the database system.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

There was no New Business.

#### **DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

#### TEMPORARY CONTROL

- LARVICIDING. Mr. Carlson reported that 3663 acres were aerially larvicided in December. The historical average for the month is 741 acres. The total for 2019 was 37,214 acres (the highest recorded; average = 16,685).
- ADULTICIDING. During December, 0 miles were sprayed. The historical average is 259 mi. The total miles sprayed in 2019 was 4835 (average = 9220)
- SERVICE REQUESTS. 45 service requests were received in December. The historical average for the month is 25. The total number of service requests received in 2019 was 745 (average = 973).

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.

 OVERVIEW OF COMPLETED AND ANTICIPATED CULVERT AND PUMP STATION WORK (attachment). Sherry Burroughs provided a report that summarized the work that has been done so far this winter (primarily dike rebuilding) and explained work that Staff is planning to have R&S Metalworks carry out over the next several months (pump station and culvert repairs).

ARBOVIRUS SURVEILLANCE. Mark Kartzinel provided an overview of the 2019 Arbovirus Program via a Powerpoint presentation (attached). IRMCD had a total of 70 WNV positive chickens during 2019 (with 4 remaining for confirmation). Yesterday the Mosquito-Borne Illness Advisory was lifted for Indian River County with only several still in place around Florida. The presentation also showed the monthly occurrence of positives and a comparison with previous years activity.

#### EDUCATIONAL ITEMS.

- BOB SOOS INTERVIEW. Doug was interviewed by Bob Soos with WTTB Radio on December
  20. It was largely an end of the mosquito season summary.
- ENVIRONMENTAL LEARNING CENTER. On Saturday (Jan. 18) Josh Reilly and Jeff Summersill (flight service) will be giving a presentation about aerial treatments at the Environmental Learning Center. It was discussed that the ELC does charge \$5 but it was unclear if that is for entrance to the property or the presentation. Ms. Broda offered to speak to the administration concerning the District's policy not to participate in an event that has a fee but in this case Josh will be part of the presentation on Saturday.
- ORCA TOUR. On. Jan. 25, Doug will be providing an overview of the District's impoundment management program at the ORCA volunteer training program.
- EXCHANGE CLUB OF SEBASTIAN. Michael Hudon will be speaking about mosquito control at the January 29 meeting of the Exchange Club of Sebastian.

- ROTARY CLUB PRESENTATION. Doug is scheduled to provide an overview of IRMCD to the Sunrise Rotary Club on Feb. 5.
- SEBASTIAN HISTORICAL SOCIETY. On Feb. 19, Doug will be giving a presentation about mosquito control in Indian River County to the Sebastian Historical Society.

#### **UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS**

• FMCA Fly-in – Jan. 14-16 at Lee County

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- Tallahassee Days Jan. 20-22
- Dodd Short Courses will be the week of Feb. 3 in Gainesville
- February 11 @ 9:00AM
- March 10 @ 9:00AM
- April 14 @ 9:00AM
- May 12 @ 9:00AM

#### **COMMENTS**

There were no comments.

## MOTION FOR ADJOURNMENT

As there was no further business to discuss, through a motion by Chairman Lowther, the meeting was adjourned at approx. 10:10AM.

Attest: