

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF  
THE MACON MOSQUITO ABATEMENT DISTRICT  
OCTOBER 15, 2020**

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Macon Mosquito Abatement District was called to order by Tom McQuiston on October 15, 2020, at the office of the Macon Mosquito Abatement District at 3755 Cundiff Road, Decatur, Illinois 62526. Trustees present were Carol Carlton, Tom McQuiston, and Susan Kretsinger. Also present were Director Jason Probus and Attorney Ross J. Munsterman. Absent were Dr. Robert Groesch and Sue Phillips. Tom McQuiston presided over the meeting.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

During public comments, none.

The meeting was opened and a motion to approve the Minutes was made by Susan Kretsinger, seconded by Tom McQuiston, unanimously approved.

There was a motion made to approve the checks by Susan Kretsinger, seconded by Carol Carlton, and unanimously approved.

DURING OLD BUSINESS, none.

DURING NEW BUSINESS, Jason Probus discussed the bids the District received for replacing the HVAC system in the District office. The bids were for a 120,000 BTU 2-stage furnace and a 16 SEER air conditioning unit. The lowest bid was from Air King for \$6,909.00. Ameren has committed to reimburse \$2,100.00 of the cost following installation of the replacement unit. Jason recommended that the Board accept the bid from Air King. Tom McQuiston made a motion to accept the bid from Air King, Carol Carlton seconded, and the Board unanimously approved.

DURING DIRECTOR'S COMMENTS, Jason Probus informed the Board that the District's new "Field Seeker" software is close to being operational. The District was recently issued a permit from the Macon County Conservation District authorizing tick

and mosquito surveillance to be conducted in/near conservation areas. The District plans to conduct surveillance by the bike path, Fairview Park, the dog park, and perhaps at the old Scovill Golf Course. Tick season extends from late October through November, but no more mosquito trapping will be conducted this year. All seasonal employees have ceased employment at this time.

Overall for the year, there were 4 West Nile positive tests, but no human cases in the District. Jason further discussed mosquito trapping/testing statistics for various species of mosquitos in the State of Illinois. Tom asked Jason a question about our trapping and testing procedures.

Jason informed the Board that the annual IMVCA meeting originally scheduled for November will now be an online forum.

The District is preparing to sell a piece of surplus property (an old truck) that is no longer needed. A new truck is on order and could be delivered in 3 weeks.

DURING TRUSTEE COMMENTS, Carol Carlton reminded Jason to turn in paperwork to the Macon County Health Department so that the District could receive grant funds. Jason informed Carol that he believed that the paperwork was already completed but he would check again.

DURING EXECUTIVE SESSION, none.

Subsequently, a motion was made by Carol Carlton, seconded by Susan Kretsinger, and unanimously approved for adjournment.

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Secretary