

**ANTELOPE VALLEY MOSQUITO and VECTOR CONTROL DISTRICT
379th MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
42624 6TH STREET EAST
LANCASTER, CA 93535
(661) 942-2917
FEBRUARY 28, 2017**

4:00 P.M.

AGENDA

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OPEN SESSION Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

1. Roll Call of Trustees: Elvie Ancheta, Dana Coleman, David Gantenbein, John Manning, Dennis Persons
- Information 2. Public Comment – limit to 3 minutes
- Action 3. Approval of January 24, 2017 Meeting Minutes
- Action 4. Approval of EFT's and Warrants for a total of \$46,405.76
- Action 5. Approval of Requisition No. 1667 for a total of \$50,000
- Action 6. Approval of Annual Levy Collection Costs from Consultant, Bryan Miller
- Action 7. Election of Board of Trustees Officers
- Action 8. Approval to Change Monthly Board Meeting Days from Tuesday to Thursday to Accommodate a Board Member
- Action 9. Approval of Aerial Photography for Pool Surveillance
- Information 10. District Manager Monthly Report including Legislative Report
- Information 11. Next Board Meeting is Scheduled for March 28, 2017 at 4:00 PM at the District Office
- Information 12. Board of Trustees Comments
- Action 13. Adjournment

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MINUTES

TRUSTEES PRESENT: Dana Coleman, David Gantenbein, John Manning and Dennis Persons.

TRUSTEES ABSENT: Elvie Ancheta

STAFF PRESENT: Cei Kratz and Carolyn Etherton (consultant)

OPENING: President Persons called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. and asked Trustee Coleman to lead in the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENT: limit to 3 minutes:

An opportunity for members of the public to address the Board on items of interest that are within the Board's subject matter jurisdiction, and are not otherwise posted on the agenda. No members of the public were present.

APPROVAL OF JANUARY 24, 2017 MEETING MINUTES:

Trustee Coleman moved to approve the meeting minutes. President Persons seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF EFT'S AND WARRANTS FOR A TOTAL OF \$46,405.76: Trustee Coleman moved to approve EFT's and Warrants. Trustee Manning seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF REQUISITION NO. 1667 FOR A TOTAL OF \$50,000: Trustee Coleman moved to approve the requisition. Trustee Gantenbein seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF ANNUAL LEVY COLLECTION COSTS FOR CONSULTANT, BRYAN

MILLER: Manager Kratz provided the board members with a copy of the proposal to place assessment on tax rolls and to prepare engineers report for FY 2017/2018. The annual fee is \$8,250 (which remains the same as last year). Trustee Manning moved to approve the annual levy collection costs. Trustee Gantenbein seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

ELECTION OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES OFFICERS: Trustee Gantenbein moved to keep the officers the same:

President: Dennis Persons

Vice President: Dana Coleman

Secretary: Elvie Ancheta

Trustee Manning seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL TO CHANGE MONTHLY BOARD MEETING DAYS FROM TUESDAY TO THURSDAY TO ACCOMMODATE A BOARD MEMBER:

Trustee Gantenbein explained the Tuesday meeting time often conflicts with his work schedule and if the other board members aren't inconvenienced, he would greatly appreciate the change. The board expressed no opposition. Trustee Coleman moved to approve the change board meetings to the fourth Thursday of each month. Trustee Manning seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF AERIAL PHOTOGRAPHY FOR POOL SURVEILLANCE:

We are in process of obtaining proposal from Aerial Services, Inc. to perform aerial flyover to obtain pictures of potential bad pools in the Antelope Valley. The last fly over was done two years ago. Manager Kratz expects to have a cost figure at the next board meeting. Trustee Gantenbein moved to approve the fly over pending proposal. Trustee Coleman seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

DISTRICT MANAGERS MONTHLY REPORT INCLUDING LEGISLATIVE REPORT:

Manager Kratz reported on the following:

- **In an effort to keep the main focus of the district on mosquito abatement, Manager Kratz is suggesting terminating bee removal service.** Other key reasons are as follows:
 - o Several current employees are allergic to bees and for their safety unable to go on service calls. Even if employees are not currently allergic, they can develop an allergy at any time.
 - o A large portion of the calls we receive are for swarms which typically move on or can be referred to a beekeeper.
 - o Another large portion of the calls we receive are from public utility companies and city/county entities. These calls can be referred to pest control companies.
 - o Due to the bee colony collapse since 2006, this would alleviate us from destroying swarms/hives and referring most calls to beekeepers.

The board suggested we put this as an action item on the next meeting agenda.

Trustee Gantenbein suggested having a beekeeper from AV Beekeepers Club attend a board meeting to give a presentation to the board on how they operate.

- **Legislative measures are listed on the CSDA website,** although none of them currently apply to our district.
- **AB1234 Ethics Training is required for board members every two years.** All board members are due to take the training in 2017. CSDA is offering the class for free online and will email each board member a log in/password to do so via their website.
- **Karen Mellor was invited to attend and read at the Read Across America** event at Desert Rose Elementary School on Wednesday, March 1st at 8:30 a.m.
- **County Health Dept. meeting has been set for Tuesday, April 4th at 2:00** regarding annexing the areas outside of our district boundaries. It was explained to them that we have attempted this two times in the past with no success. The meeting will take place here at our district office so they can see our facilities and get a feel for this valley and how it is set up.

THE NEXT BOARD MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR MARCH 30, 2017 AT 4:00

P.M. AT THE DISTRICT OFFICE. The meeting was changed from the 23rd at the request of Manager Kratz to accommodate her absence.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES COMMENTS: None.

ITEMS NOT ON THE POSTED AGENDA: None

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business to come before the Board, President Persons adjourned the meeting at 5:10 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Approved:

Dennis Persons
Board President

Elvie Ancheta
Board Secretary