

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE TULARE
MOSQUITO ABATEMENT DISTRICT, HELD AT THE OFFICES OF THE DISTRICT,
MEFFORD FIELD, TULARE, CALIFORNIA ON THE 14th DAY OF APRIL 2026, AT
THE HOUR OF 1:00 P.M. OF SAID DAY**

Present at the meeting called at 1:07 p.m. at the place above designated were: Charlie Pitigliano, presiding, Tony Nunes, Craig Smith, Robert Uchita and Stan Creelman. Charles Mayer was absent. Also present at the Board Meeting were Michelle Dempsey, General Manager, Jacob Davis, Operations Director, and Chad M. Lew, counsel for the District.

Agenda Item No. 1: Citizen Comments.

Charlie Pitigliano opened the floor to citizen comments, but there were no comments from the public.

Agenda Item No. 2: Review Minutes of the March 10, 2026 Board of Trustees Meeting.

The minutes of the March 10, 2026 Board of Trustees meeting were presented to the board in writing and reviewed. Upon a motion duly made by Stan Creelman, seconded by Craig Smith, and unanimously carried, the minutes of the March 10, 2026 Board of Trustees meeting were approved as presented.

Agenda Item No. 3: Payment of Check Number 8090 - 8110, Payment of Direct Deposit Numbers DD 2033 - DD 2044; Electronic Fund Transfers (EFTPS) from US Bank to the IRS for Social Security, Medicare and Federal Tax Payments, US Bank Charges and Credits, and Claim Number 21986, Transfers of Funds from Tulare County Fund #778 to the District's US Bank Account #*****4633.

The board members reviewed the District's US Bank checking account, check numbers 8090 - 8110, payment of direct deposit numbers DD 2033 - DD 2044, the electronic fund transfers (EFTPS) for payment of Social Security, Medicare and Federal Tax Payments to the IRS, the electronic debit payments from the District's US Bank account, and claim number 21986 in the sum of \$127,915.52, which was a transfer from the District's Tulare County Fund #778 to the District's US Bank account number ending in 4633. Upon a motion duly made by Tony Nunes, seconded by Robert Uchita, and unanimously carried, the US Bank checking account, check numbers 8090 - 8110, payment of direct deposit numbers DD 2033 - DD 2044, the electronic fund transfers (EFTPS) for payment of Social Security, Medicare and Federal Tax Payments to the IRS, the electronic debit payments from the District's US Bank checking account, and the transfers from the District's Tulare County Fund #778 to the District's Union Bank account number ending in 4663, by claim number 21986 in the sum of \$127,915.52, were approved.

Agenda Item No. 4: Discussion, Decision and Action for GPS and Dash Camera Installation.

Michelle reviewed with the board management's desire to replace the District's current GPS system for District vehicles with Verizon. After discussion and a review of the Verizon proposal, upon a motion duly made by Craig Smith, seconded by Tony Nunes, the board authorized the District to enter into a contract with Verizon for GPS and dash camera services and installation, upon review and approval of the contract by the District's attorney, with an estimated annual cost of \$4,077.96, and authorize the general manager to execute all contracts and documents necessary.

Agenda Item No. 5: Update on 2026 Inspection Warrant.

District counsel provided the board with an update on the status of the 2026 Area Inspection Warrant and anticipated it would be issued shortly.

Agenda Item No. 6: Discussion, Decision and Action for Lift Repairs or Replacement.

Michelle and Jacob presented to the board the District's options related to the repair of the existing lift, and also the potential of the installation of a new four post lift. After discussion, upon a motion duly made by Tony Nunes, seconded by Craig Smith, and unanimously carried, the board authorized the repair of the existing lift at a cost not to exceed \$789.09, and also the purchase and installation of a new four post lift at a cost not to exceed \$12,625.11 based upon the estimates from Midstate Automotive Equipment, and directed staff to determine if there could be some cost savings if the District repaired the existing lift and also purchased a new outdoor lift.

Agenda Item No. 7: Discussion, Decision and Action for Installation of Security Alarm at 6525 Dale Fry Road, Tulare, CA.

Jacob reviewed with the board the proposal from Giotto's Alarm-Tech, Inc., for the installation of an alarm system on the newly leased hangar at 6525 Dale Fry Road, Tulare, CA. After some discussion, the board directed District staff to address additional questions and options with Giotto's Alarm-Tech, Inc. This matter will be brought back at a future meeting once staff has had the opportunity to discuss additional options and questions with representatives with Giotto's.

Agenda Item No. 8: District Activities to Date.

Jacob provided the board with a review of the District's activities to date and answered questions from the board.

Agenda Item No. 9: Discussion, Decision and Action for Employee Annual Training Day Lunch.

Michelle advised the board that the District would be holding an annual employee training day on May 1, 2026, and requested that the District provide lunch for the employees. Upon a motion duly made by Craig Smith, seconded by Tony Nunes, and unanimously carried the board authorized providing lunch for the employees on the May 1, 2026 annual training day, at a cost not to exceed \$200.00.

Agenda Item No. 10: Discussion for Board of Trustees SB827 Training.

Michelle reviewed with the board the requirements mandated by SB827 and discussed the options to the provision of said training with the board.

Agenda Item No. 12: Manager's Report.

- a. Board of Trustee Update - Michelle advised that the terms of Charles Mayer and Craig Smith were expiring as of June 30, 2026, and inquired about their desire and willingness to be reappointed.
- b. Tulare County Public Health - Collaboration - Michelle advised the board that the District would be participating with Tulare County Public Health and other neighboring districts on April 27, 2026, to discuss how to enhance public awareness and prevention efforts.

Agenda Item No. 13: Meeting Adjourned.

There being no further business before the board, upon a motion duly made by Tony Nunes, seconded by Craig Smith, and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned at 2:46 p.m.

SECRETARY