

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL 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 8th DAY OF
DECEMBER 2023, AT THE HOUR OF 11:00 A.M. OF SAID DAY**

Present at the meeting called at 11:04 a.m. at the place above designated were: Stan Creelman, presiding, Craig Smith, Tony Nunes, and Chuck Mayer. Charlie Pitigliano and Robert Uchita were absent. Also present at the Board Meeting were Michelle Dempsey, General Manager, Jacob Davis, Operations Director, Sheri Davis, Administrative Assistant, Chad M. Lew, counsel for the District, and Pat Nunes, member of the public.

Agenda Item No. 1: Citizen Comments.

Stan Creelman opened the floor to citizen comments, but there were no comments from the public.

Agenda Item No. 2: Review Minutes of November 14, 2023 Board of Trustee Meeting.

The minutes of the meeting held on November 14, 2023, were presented to the board in writing and reviewed. Upon a motion made by Charles Mayer, seconded by, Tony Nunes, and unanimously carried, the minutes of the board meeting held on November 14, 2023, were approved as presented.

Agenda Item No. 3: Payment of Check Number 7372 - 7393, Payment of Direct Deposit Numbers DD 1639 - DD 1654; 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 21956, Transfers of Funds form 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 7372 - 7393, payment of direct deposit numbers DD 1639 - DD 1654, 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 21956 in the sum of \$148,536.55, which were transfers 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 Charles Mayer, and unanimously carried, the US Bank checking account, check numbers 7372 - 7393, payment of direct deposit numbers DD 1639 - DD 1654, 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 transfer from the District's Tulare County Fund #778 to the District's Union Bank account number ending in 4663, by claim number 21956 in the sum of \$148,536.55, were approved.

Agenda Item No. 4: State Funded Aerial Applications Update.

Michelle provided the board with an update of the state funded aerial applications performed by VDCI for the 2023 season related to the flood waters within the District.

Agenda Item No. 5: Discussion on FEMA/CalOES Public Assistance Program Update.

Sheri provided the board with an update and advised that the District submitted the project claim for reimbursement with FEMA.

Agenda Item No. 6: Discussion, Decision and Action to File 2023 Warrant Return and Start 2024 Warrant.

Chad updated the board with the process of returning the 2023 Area Inspection Warrant Return and the process for securing an Area Inspection Warrant for the 2024 season. After some discussion, upon a motion duly made by Craig Smith, seconded by Charles Mayer, and unanimously carried, the board approved and authorized counsel for the District and District Management to file the 2023 Warrant Return and file an application with the Tulare County Superior Court for an Area Inspection Warrant for the 2024 Mosquito season.

Agenda Item No. 7: Manager's Report.

- a. Recovery Plant sent to Charlie - Michelle advised the board that the District sent a plant to board president, Charlie Pitigliano, as he recovers from back surgery.
- b. Certification Test Results - Michelle advised the board that three (3) District technicians sat for the California Department of Public Health Vector Control Technician Certification exam. One technician passed the examination, and the other two almost passed.

Agenda Item No. 8: Board of Trustees Opportunity to Add Future Agenda Items.

Michelle advised the board that if they were interested in seeing any future agenda items in the future, that they could contact her to discuss placing matters on the District agenda for consideration.

Agenda Item No. 9: Meeting Adjourned.

There being no further business before the board, upon a motion duly made by Charles Mayer, seconded by Craig Smith, and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned at 11:29 a.m.

SECRETARY