

FRESNO WESTSIDE MOSQUITO ABATEMENT

DISTRICT

2555 N Street - FIREBAUGH, CALIFORNIA, 93622

MINUTES:

Board Meeting ----- January 13, 2022
Headquarters ----- Firebaugh, California

TRUSTEES PRESENT: Ram, Fontana (remote), Williams, Capuchino, Felker

TRUSTEES ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Conlin Reis, Dist. Manager.

Vice President Capuchino called the meeting to order at 12:52 p.m.

* The Board found under Gov. Code § 54953(e)(3) that a result of the continuing COVID-19 emergency: (i) the board has reconsidered the circumstances of the state of emergency; (ii) renew prior findings that meeting in person would continue to present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees; and (iii) the authorization for meetings to be held by teleconference pursuant to Gov. Code, § 54953, subd. (e)(1)(C) is renewed.
MOTION: Trustee Williams SECOND: Trustee Ram

* The Board considered officers for 2022. A motion was made, seconded, and passed unanimously to select Leo Capuchino as Board President, Eric Fontana as Vice President, and District Manager Conlin Reis as Secretary.
MOTION: Trustee Williams SECOND: Trustee Ram

* Trustee Capuchino called for review of the General Consent items. Following discussion and review, a motion was made, seconded, and passed unanimously to approve the general consent items, as presented.
MOTION: Trustee Ram SECOND: Trustee Fontana

There was no public comment.

There were no additional items for the agenda.

The Manager provided an overview of mosquito and WNV activity in the region and state.

The Manager provided a brief oral report on District operations, legislative, regulatory and other issues of importance to this District.

The Manager presented the annual review of aircraft costs.

The Manager informed the Board of upcoming meetings and let them

know which meetings he and the staff plan to attend on behalf of the District.

The Manager presented information on Form 700 disclosure requirements for 2022.

* The Board reviewed the current oversight for bank accounts. It was the consensus of the Board that no changes were needed at this time.

* The Board performed their annual review of Policy 3160: Investments. It was the consensus of the Board that no changes were needed at this time.

* The Board considered the district health plan. After some discussion a motion was made, seconded, and passed unanimously to utilize the Blue Shield 7500-50 Plan for 2022 and to waive excess insurance coverage.
MOTION: Trustee Ram SECOND: Trustee Williams

* After a brief discussion, a motion was made, seconded, and passed unanimously to the manager's California Bar Fees (approx. \$350).
MOTION: Trustee Ram SECOND: Trustee Felker

Trustee Fontana left the meeting at this time (2:10 pm).

* The maximum employer contribution for healthcare was set at \$825 for 2022 by unanimous approval.
MOTION: Trustee Ram SECOND: Trustee Felker

* The board approved, unanimously, the changes to vacation accrual and paid holidays presented by the Manager at the last meeting with a small correction to the accrual rate at 20 years of service.
MOTION: Trustee Ram SECOND: Trustee Williams.

* After some discussion, the Board approved unanimously, amendments to Policy #2020 Vacation and Policy # 2030 Holidays to conform to the new holiday and vacation accrual schedules.
MOTION: Trustee Ram SECOND: Trustee Williams

The Manager will attempt to schedule ethics training to precede the next regular board meeting.

The Trustees were asked to report on mosquito conditions and public opinions in their respective areas. No issues were reported.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:50 p.m.

The next regular meeting of the Board will be held on February 11, 2022.



Chairman



Secretary