

MOSQUITO AND VECTOR MANAGEMENT DISTRICT  
of Santa Barbara County  
MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING OF TRUSTEES  
June 13<sup>th</sup>, 2024

The special meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Mosquito and Vector Management District of Santa Barbara County was held at 9:30 AM, on Thursday, June 13<sup>th</sup>, 2024 via teleconference and in person at the Santa Barbara City College Wake Center Campus, Room 18.

1. ROLL CALL.

TRUSTEES PRESENT:

President Robert Williams  
Vice-President Joe Franken  
Trustee Teri Jory  
Trustee Barbara Silver  
Trustee Russell Dahlquist  
Trustee Charles Blair  
Trustee Danica Taber

TRUSTEES ABSENT:

Secretary Hugh Rafferty

IN ATTENDANCE:

Brian Cabrera, General Manager  
Carrie Troup, CPA  
Jessica Sprigg, Administrative Assistant  
Jenna Acos, Brownstein, Hyatt, Farber, Schreck  
Jennifer Lee, Brownstein, Hyatt, Farber, Schreck  
Alicia Harrison, Brownstein, Hyatt, Farber, Schreck (remotely)  
Nate Kowalski, Legal Counsel, Atkinson, Andelson, Loya, Ruud, and Romo (remotely, for Closed Session)

2. CONSIDERATION OF TELECONFERENCING NOTIFICATIONS OR REQUESTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS Per Government Code § 54953(f), less than a quorum of Board members may on a limited basis videoconference to Board meetings for just cause or emergency circumstances

*-No requests for remote participation.*

3. CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

*-No changes requested.*

4. Staff announcements regarding District business

A. Board Meeting Dates for the remainder of 2024. Start time is 1 PM.

1. Thursday, July 11	2. Thursday, August 8	3. Thursday, September 12
4. Thursday, October 10	5. Thursday, November 14	6. Thursday, December 12

5. CORRESPONDENCE

*-None.*

6. PUBLIC COMMENT-Time reserved for the public to address the Board of Trustees relative to matters of District business not on the agenda. Comment time regarding specific agenda items will be available during consideration of the particular agenda items.  
*-None.*
7. ITEMS OF GENERAL CONSENT. The following items are approved by a single action of the Board. Items requiring additional discussion may be withdrawn from the listing and approved in a separate action.
  - A. Approval of the Minutes of the May 9<sup>th</sup>, 2024 Regular Board Meeting
  - B. Approval of the May Disease Surveillance Report
  - C. Approval of the May District Operations Report  
*-Trustee Blair made a motion to approve the Items of General Consent. Motion seconded by Vice-President Franken and passed unanimously.*
8. OLD BUSINESS. The Board will discuss and may take action on the following items:
  - A. Accept and file the April Financial Statements for County Fund 4160
  - B. Accept and file the April Disbursement Report  
*-Reports were accepted and filed following review.*
  - C. Accounts receivable contracts' status (5909 Misc. Revenue)  
*-Several contracts are due for renewal. Amount invoiced exceeded budgeted amount for the fiscal year.*
  - D. Update on District building repair and improvement projects.  
*-Board discussed timeline and potential scope of the project and the need for a feasibility study.*
  - E. Update on preliminary budget for fiscal year 2024-2025.  
*-It was moved by Trustee Silver and seconded by Trustee Blair to approve the budget as presented. Motion passed unanimously.*
9. NEW BUSINESS. The Board will discuss and may take action on the following items:
  - A. Report and discussion on the District's response to a request by the California Coastal Commission for an assessment of the environmental and ecological impacts of the use of the District's Argo amphibious vehicle within the Goleta Slough.  
Legal counsel Jena Acos and Senior Land Use Project Manager Alicia Harrison from Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schreck, LLP will be in attendance.  
*-Board discussed the activity in the Goleta Slough that caused potential disturbance/destruction of vegetation and the biological assessment of the area that is being performed.*
  - B. Discussion of a proposed public outreach publication produced by N&R Publications for distribution within the District's Service Zones.  
Representative(s) from N&R will be present by teleconferencing to provide more details and answer questions.  
*-Board reviewed the materials and quotes provided and decided to consider a variety of other public outreach possibilities.*
  - C. Recognition of Craig Geyer for his service as a trustee on the District Board from February 2016 to December 2023.  
*-President Williams praised the many contributions made by Trustee Geyer during his time on the Board.*

- 10. REVIEW OF THE CALIFORNIA HEALTH & SAFETY CODE, CHAPTER 1. MOSQUITO ABATEMENT AND VECTOR CONTROL DISTRICTS, ARTICLE 6. FINANCES §§ 2078, 2079, 2080, 2081, 2082, 2083, 2084 and 2085.  
*-No discussion occurred for this item.*
- 11. REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS  
*-President Williams asked that an update on the Goleta Slough be provided as an ongoing item.*  
*-Trustee Taber requested that the Board further discuss options for public outreach.*
- 12. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT  
*-No discussion occurred for this item.*
- 13. BOARD ANNOUNCEMENTS  
*-None.*
- 14. CLOSED SESSION
  - A. Public comment on closed session agenda items  
*-No public comment.*
  - B. Closed session pursuant to Government Code § 54957.6  
Conference with labor negotiator regarding the renewal of the MOU  
 Agency designated representatives: Nate Kowalski, Counsel and Brian Cabrera, General Manager  
 Employee Organization: Mosquito and Vector Management District of Santa Barbara County Employees Association  
 The negotiations between the Mosquito and Vector Management District of Santa Barbara County and the Mosquito and Vector Management District of Santa Barbara County Employees Association will be presented for the purpose of reviewing the District's position and instructing the designated representatives. Issues to be discussed may include salaries, salary schedules, fringe benefits, available funds and funding priorities.

Reconvene to open session to report action taken (if any) in closed session  
*-No action to report.*

- 15. ADJOURNMENT  
 As there was no further business to be brought before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.  
 I certify that the above minutes substantially reflect the actions of the Board:

APPROVED:

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 Bob Williams  
 Board President

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 Hugh Rafferty  
 Board Secretary