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**TANGIPAHOA MOSQUITO ABATEMENT DISTRICT #1  
MINUTES, REGULAR MEETING, JUNE 12, 2019**

The regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners, of the Tangipahoa Mosquito Abatement District #1, was held on Wednesday, June 12, 2019 at 5:30 p.m. at the District Office, 15483 Club Deluxe Road, Hammond, LA.

Bill Wheat, Chairman, called the meeting to order.

Roll call was as follows:

Bruce Caliva – present	Pete Jones – present
Deek DeBlieux – present	Sunny Ryerson - present
Cecilia Giannobile – present	Bill Wheat – present
Philip Graziano Jr. - present	

Also Present: Douglas Curet, Jimmy Wolfe, Dennis Walette, Colby Colona, and Cheri Vining.

This is the last meeting for three of the District’s commissioners – Pete Jones, Philip Graziano and Bruce Caliva – who have completed their terms at the District and are not eligible for reappointment.

Speaking on behalf of the remaining commissioners of the Tangipahoa Mosquito Abatement District, Mr. Wheat expressed sincere appreciation and gratitude for the commissioner’s dedication and service to the Mosquito Abatement District over the years.

Mr. Walette echoed his sincere thanks and appreciation as well.

In review of the meeting minutes from April 10th, Mr. Caliva noted that Mr. Wolfe’s name had been misspelled in the minutes. Correction made from Wolf to Wolfe.

Mr. Caliva made a motion to accept the April 10th meeting minutes as amended. Ms. Giannobile seconded the motion. Motion passed – all yeas, no nays.

**Approve and sign Louisiana Legislative Auditor’s Compliance Questionnaire**

Mr. Caliva made a motion to approve the Management Representation letter regarding the 2018 audit of the Tangipahoa Mosquito Abatement District. Mr. Graziano seconded the motion. Roll call vote as follows: Mr. Caliva – yea, Mr. DeBlieux – yea, Ms. Giannobile – yea, Mr. Graziano – yea, Mr. Jones – yea, Ms. Ryerson – yea, and Mr. Wheat – yea. Motion passed.

**Adopt Official Journal** - Mr. Jones made a motion to accept the proposal from the Daily Star to serve as the District’s official journal. Ms. Ryerson seconded the motion. Roll call vote as follows: Mr. Caliva – yea, Mr. DeBlieux – yea, Ms. Giannobile – yea, Mr. Graziano – yea, Mr. Jones – yea, Ms. Ryerson – yea, and Mr. Wheat – yea. Motion passed.

**Adopt Protocols for Aerial Spray Application** – The District will be committed to provide a 24-hour notification to local beekeepers whose hives are registered with the District. Exception to this 24-hour notice would be in the event of the need for a mission in response to a threat to public health from mosquito-borne disease.

**Discuss District participation in public events** – Participation will remain within the boundaries of the District. However, school presentations will not be limited to District boundaries only.

**Adopt Fleet Management Proposal** – Mr. Walette and Ms. Colona attended web demonstrations for the proposals received. After review, their recommendation to the board was the Rhino Fleet Tracking proposal. The program was easier to use and less expensive than the others reviewed. Mr. Caliva made a motion to accept the Rhino Fleet Tracking proposal for the District’s fleet monitoring. Mr. DeBlieux seconded the motion. Roll call vote as follows: Mr. Caliva – yea, Mr. DeBlieux – yea, Ms. Giannobile – yea, Mr. Graziano – yea, Mr. Jones – yea, Ms. Ryerson – yea, and Mr. Wheat – yea. Motion passed.

**Program Update** – Ms. Colona provided the surveillance report. To date, 808 samples have been submitted for testing – all negative. Fifty-three mosquito pool samples have been tested in house at the District – zero positives.

The installation for the generator should be complete by early to mid-July.

The District had a booth at the Master Gardeners Day at the Florida Parish Arena in Amite in April.

Mr. Walette reported that Commissioner DeBlieux was reappointed at the last Parish Council meeting. The City of Ponchatoula has appointed James Wolfe to serve as Commissioner. This appointment will be submitted to the Parish Council for approval at their next meeting. The City of Hammond appointment has not been made yet.

Also, at the last Parish Council meeting, Councilman Louis Joseph expressed interest in expanding the District.

Anthony Baglio, CPA, has completed the compilation for the 2018 annual audit.

**Review Financial Report**

Mr. Walette reviewed the financial report.

Mr. Jones made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Caliva seconded the motion. Motion passed – all yeas, no nays.

**ATTEST:**

/s/Bill Wheat, Chairman

/s/Sunny Ryerson, Secretary

/s/Cheri Vining, Recording Secretary

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