

**TANGIPAOHA MOSQUITO ABATEMENT DISTRICT #1
MINUTES, PUBLIC MEETING, JUNE 14, 2017**

The public meeting of the Board of Commissioners, of the Tangipahoa Mosquito Abatement District #1, was held on Wednesday, June 14, 2017 at 5:30 p.m. at the District Office, 15483 Club Deluxe Road, Hammond, LA.

Sunny Ryerson, Chairman, called to the meeting to order.

Roll call was as follows:

Bruce Caliva – present	Pete Jones - present
Chris Chappell – absent	Sunny Ryerson - present
Deek Deblieux – present	Bill Wheat - present

Philip Graziano – present

Also Present: Douglas Curet, Dennis Walette, and Cheri Vining

Mr. Jones made a motion to accept the April 12th meeting minutes. Mr. Graziano seconded the motion. Motion passed – all yeas, no nays; Mr. Chappell absent.

Due to some commissioners not able to stay for the entire meeting, Ms. Ryerson skipped to new business.

Adopt the millage rate for the tax year 2017 – The resolution was read aloud to set the millage for the tax year 2017.

There is no public present to comment.

Roll call vote to adopt the resolution as read to set the millage for tax year 2017 at 5.00 mills is as follows: Mr. Caliva – yea, Mr. Deblieux – yea, Mr. Graziano – yea, Mr. Jones – yea, Ms. Ryerson – yea, Mr. Wheat - yea; Mr. Chappell absent.

Ms. Ryerson returned the meeting to old business.

Personnel Manual – Mr. Wheat and Mr. Graziano, of the personnel committee, presented Mr. Walette’s performance evaluation to the Board. Mr. Jones made a motion to accept the personnel committee’s evaluation as submitted. Mr. Deblieux seconded the motion. Motion passed – all yeas, no nays; Mr. Chappell absent.

Compliance Questionnaire – Mr. Wheat made a motion to approve the Management Representation letter regarding the 2016 audit of the Tangipahoa Mosquito Abatement District. Mr. Jones seconded the motion. Motion passed. Roll call vote as follows: Mr. Caliva - yea, Mr. Deblieux – yea, Mr. Graziano – yea, Mr. Jones – yea, Ms. Ryerson – yea, Mr. Wheat - yea; Mr. Chappell absent.

Official Journal - Mr. Walette stated that only one proposal was received for official journal of the District. Mr. Graziano made a motion to accept The Daily Star as the official journal of the District beginning July 1, 2017 and ending June 30, 2018. Mr. Deblieux seconded the motion. Motion passed. Roll call vote as follows: Mr. Caliva - yea, Mr. Deblieux – yea, Mr. Graziano – yea, Mr. Jones – yea, Ms. Ryerson – yea, Mr. Wheat - yea; Mr. Chappell absent.

Program Update – Mr. Walette presented his report.

Mr. Walette has recently given presentations at two of the Hammond Rotary Club meetings.

An aerial spray mission had to be canceled due to issues with the mapping program for the mission. The mapping system equipment has been repaired and a test mission made during the day, but due to the late afternoon/evening rain for the past several weeks, the aerial application has not been able to be rescheduled.

Mosquito populations have increased. To date, 987 mosquito pools have been submitted for testing, which is an increase in the number of mosquito pools submitted at this same time last year. There have been no positive pools.

The District has seven operational spray trucks with six trucks going out nightly, weather permitting. This allows for five zones to be sprayed nightly.

Mr. Wheat made a motion to amend the current agenda to add an item. Mr. Jones seconded the motion. Motion passed – all yeas, no nays; Mr. Chappell absent.

Mr. Wheat made a motion to change the District meeting time from 6:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. Mr. Caliva seconded the motion. Motion passed – all yeas, no nays; Mr. Chappell absent.

Mr. Deblieux made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Jones seconded the motion. Motion passed – all yeas, no nays; Mr. Chappell absent.

ATTEST:

/s/Sunny Ryerson, Chairman

/s/Philip Graziano, Secretary

/s/Cheri Vining, Recording Secretary

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