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TANGIPAHOA MOSQUITO ABATEMENT DISTRICT #1 MINUTES, REGULAR MEETING, SEPTEMBER 13, 2024

The regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners, of the Tangipahoa Mosquito Abatement District #1, was held on Friday, September 13, 2024, at 1:00 p.m. at the District office, 15483 Club Deluxe Road, Hammond, LA.

Debbie Edwards, Chairwoman, called the meeting to order.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll call was as follows:

Charlie Ciolino – present

Debbie Edwards – present

Greg Fletcher – present

James Harper - present

Erin Horzelski – present

Craig Inman - present

Jimmy Wolfe - present

Also Present: Douglas Curet, Colby Colona, Jourdan McGaughey, and Cheri Vining.

Mr. Wolfe made a motion to accept the July 10th meeting minutes. Ms. Horzelski seconded the motion. Motion passed – all yeas, no nays.

Mr. Inman made a motion to accept the July 17th special meeting minutes. Mr. Fletcher seconded the motion. Motion passed – all yeas, no nays.

Mr. Fletcher made a motion to accept the August 28th public hearing and meeting minutes. Mr. Harper seconded the motion. Motion passed – all yeas, no nays.

Director's Report

Ms. Colona provided her report.

To date, there have been 14 West Nile positive mosquito pools whereas last year at this point we had 16 WN positive mosquito pools. We are also approaching the end of the peak season. There have been no reported human cases in Tangipahoa parish.

Hangar project – everything is on schedule.

We participated in SLU STEM Fest Day in August and will be participating in the Hammond Library STEM day at the end of November.

Leadership Tangipahoa will be visiting the District next week.

The LMCA annual meeting will be held the second week in December. Several employees will be giving presentations.

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Review Financial Statement

Ms. Colona reviewed the financial report through August 2024.

Ms. Horzelski made a motion to approve the financial statement as presented. Mr. Ciolino seconded the motion. Roll call vote as follows: Mr. Ciolino – yea, Ms. Edwards – yea, Mr. Fletcher – yea, Mr. Harper – yea, Ms. Horzelski – yea, Mr. Inman – yea, and Mr. Wolfe - yea. Motion passed.

Ad Valorem Tax Election - Notice of Intent to Call an Election

The notice of intent to call an election was read aloud into the minutes.

Declare List of Items as Surplus

Ms. Colona reviewed the list of items with the commissioners.

Mr. Ciolino made a motion to declare the list of items as surplus. Mr. Wolfe seconded the motion. Roll call vote as follows: Mr. Ciolino – yea, Ms. Edwards – yea, Mr. Fletcher – yea, Mr. Harper – yea, Ms. Horzelski – yea, Mr. Inman – yea, and Mr. Wolfe - yea. Motion passed.

Authorize Director to Sell Surplus Items at Auction

Mr. Harper made a motion to authorize Ms. Colona to sell surplus items at auction. Mr. Wolfe seconded the motion. Roll call vote as follows: Mr. Ciolino – yea, Ms. Edwards – yea, Mr. Fletcher – yea, Mr. Harper – yea, Ms. Horzelski – yea, Mr. Inman – yea, and Mr. Wolfe - yea. Motion passed.

Presentation and Discussion of 2025 Draft Budget

Ms. Colona presented the draft budget for review and discussion. Commissioners will continue to review and contact Ms. Colona with any questions. At the November meeting, the proposed budget for 2025 will be presented for the Board's approval.

Ms. Horzelski made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Fletcher seconded the motion. Motion passed – all yeas, no nays.

ATTEST:

/s/Debbie Edwards, Chairwoman /s/Erin Horzelski, Secretary /s/Cheri Vining, Recording Secretary Tangipahoa Mosquito Abatement District #1