

# Solano County Mosquito Abatement District

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Meetings: Second Monday Every Month  
7:30 P.M.

## MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF APRIL 10, 2017 BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE SOLANO COUNTY MOSQUITO ABATEMENT DISTRICT

### 1. Call to order:

President Larry Petrie called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. at the Solano County Mosquito Abatement District Building, 2950 Industrial Court, Fairfield, CA. 94533

### 2. Pledge of Allegiance:

President Petrie led us in the pledge of allegiance.

### 3. Roll call:

Present Trustees: L. Petrie, R. Meador, J. Anderson, J. McPherson, G. Graves, R. Schock, M. White and C. Tonnesen.

Absent Trustees: None

Also in attendance:

Richard Snyder  
Tami Wright

### 4. Minutes of the meeting of March 13, 2017.

Unanimously approved as written on motion by Trustee J. Anderson and C. Tonnesen.

### 5. Examination of Manager's Report for the month of March 2017.

Accepted as written.

### 6. Payment of Bills for March 2017.

Unanimously approved on motion by Trustee C. Tonnesen seconded by Trustee J. Anderson.

**7. Examination of Financial Sheet for the month of March 2016:**

Accepted as written

**8. This time is reserved for members of the public to address the Board relative to matters of Board Business:**

None

**9. Correspondence:**

a. None

**10. New Business:**

- a. Assembly Bill 718 an act to amend section 1506 of the California Department of Fish and Game Code relating to pest management.

Manager Snyder stated that he had written a letter of opposition to AB 718 addressed to the Honorable Eduardo Garcia Chair, Assembly Committee on Water Parks and Wildlife. This AB would have significant impact on the ability of Mosquito and Vector Control Districts to recover costs associated with mosquito control on managed wetlands in the state. Trustee Anderson stated that this bill would allow managed wetland landowners to self regulate best management practices (BMP's) on their property and exempt them from the responsibility of paying costs associated with mosquito abatement. Trustee Tonnesen questioned the managements strategies addressed in this bill relating to the implementation of BMP's. Manager Snyder also questioned AB 718 directive that a mosquito and vector control district shall only used monies collected from fines and penalties for any mosquito abatement costs for treating properties.

- b. Mosquito and Vector Control Coastal Region Districts: Possible creation of a wetland biologist position representing the districts in the coastal region.

Trustee Schock asked who would be responsible for the management for this position and how his salary would be divided among the coastal region districts. Manager Snyder stated the questions posed have not been formally addressed at this time. Trustee Anderson questioned the need for a regional biologist stating that each district has a biologist on staff. Manager Snyder stated the proposed position would specifically address mosquito control activities as it relates with federal and state environmental agencies. This item will be further discussed among the coastal region district managers.

**11. Unfinished Business:**

- a. None

**12. Reports:**

- a. MVCAC Annual Conference held in San Diego March 26-29, 2017, reports from Trustees Meador, Petrie, Anderson and White.

President Petrie stated that all of the trustees attended the Ethics Training, said it was very informative. Trustee Meador discussed how using your private email address and cell phones for work could be consider public information. Trustee Anderson stated many of the case studies in the ethics training presented were interesting and informative. Trustee White stated that UC Davis is currently working on a vaccine for Zika virus and that could possible be ready for disbursal within the next 10 years and that the monies we contribute to Mosquito Research Foundation are helping to fund the vaccine project. The trustees said the conference was very beneficial, educational and information gained will be useful for the district. President Petrie said former manager Jon Blegen received a well-earned Honorary Membership in the MVCAC at the awards banquet.

**13. Board Discussions:**

- a. None

**14. Adjournment:**

President Petrie adjourned the meeting at 8:00 p.m.



Secretary