

**MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE  
SOUTHLAKE MOSQUITO ABATEMENT DISTRICT  
MINUTES**

**March 12, 2018**

1. **ROLL CALL**

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 p.m. by President Barbara Struthers. Trustees Tony Bilotti, Susan Levy, Larry Feder and Roger Simonson were present. District Attorney Robert J. Masini and George Balis of Clarke were also in attendance.

2. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

3. **ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

After a very brief discussion, Trustee Levy moved that the 2017 officers continue in their positions for 2018. Barbara Struthers, President, Roger Simonson, Secretary and Susan Levy, Treasurer. Trustee Simonson seconded the motion. Roll Call. Ayes. Trustees Bilotti, Feder, Levy, Struthers and Simonson. Nays. None. Absent. None. Motion passed.

4. **MINUTES**

The Trustees reviewed the minutes of the January 8, 2018 regular meeting. Motion by Trustee Levy and seconded by Trustee Bilotti to approve the minutes of the January 8, 2018 regular meeting. All in favor. Motion passed.

5. **TREASURER'S REPORT**

The trustees reviewed the December 2017, January and February 2018 treasurer's reports.

Trustee Levy pointed out that the February 28, 2018 fund balance was \$944,593.08

Following a brief discussion Trustee Feder moved to accept, as presented, the Treasurer's Reports for December 2017, January and February 2018. Seconded by Trustee Simonson. All in favor. Motion passed.

6. **BILLS**

The Trustees considered the following bills:

1. Diver, Grach, Quade & Masini, LLP - \$1,471.44 – Legal services and \$18.69 reimbursement for payment to Tribune Media.

2. Smith Accounting/Cindy Smith - \$250.00 – Accounting services for December 2017-February 2018.
3. Roger Simonson - \$1,948.68 - reimbursement for expenses for attendance at the AMCA annual meeting.
4. Barbara Struthers - \$2,209.48 – reimbursement for expenses for attendance at the AMCA annual meeting.
5. Tony Bilotti - \$1,653.58 – reimbursement for expenses for attendance at the AMCA annual meeting.

Following the discussion Trustee Bilotti moved that the Board authorize payment of all the bills. Seconded by Trustee Feder. Roll Call. Ayes: Simonson, Bilotti, Levy, Feder and Struthers. Nays: None. Motion passed.

## 7. **OLD BUSINESS**

A. Status of the redevelopment of the District's website. – Trustee Simonson reported that he had not received any response from Ms. Del Re to his e-mails or calls. Attorney Masini reported the same. Trustee Simonson reported that he did receive an e-mail today. Ms. Del Re apologized and reported that her husband had been in a bad accident and has been unable to work. She has been dealing with a big back up but promised to have something up this week for review by the trustees.

Trustee Simonson said that he had the name of a web designer with Gamma Partners. The trustees expressed their disappointment and irritation at the lack of communication and progress on the job. They told Trustee Simonson to initiate a new contact with the person from Gamma if he does not hear from Ms. Del Re this week.

B. Status of appointment of new Board member. – Attorney Masini and the trustees all reported they had not been contacted. Attorney Masini advised that the March 13 County Board Agenda did not include any MAD appointment or reappointments.

## 7. **NEW BUSINESS**

Trustee Struthers distributed copies of educational materials and abatement product information that she had picked up at the AMCA conference. The trustees discussed possible education materials or brochures to be used this year and the Biogents mosquito traps. Mr. Balis pointed out that these traps are primarily for container breeding mosquitoes and there is no evidence of their usefulness with flood water mosquitoes. The trustees liked a particular educational piece that had been created for Grand Junction, Colorado, but which could be localized. No decisions were made for distribution of materials at schools this year. Trustee Struthers will check on the costs of couple of items.

## 8. **REPORTS**

Clarke – Mr. Balis distributed a report on tick transmitted diseases, including the Powassan virus.

Trustee Struthers announced that the Riverwoods Plant Sale is May 19, the Deerfield Farmer’s Market is June 30 and a date in July for Highwood Farmer’s Market will have to be determined.

Trustee Simonson asked about the status of the consolidation of MADs legislation. Mr. Balis said the proposed bill aims to put MADs under county or municipal health departments but there is a requirement that 3 trustees of the MAD must vote in favor of it. Trustee Struthers said that she and Trustee Bilotti are meeting with Senator Julie Morrison on March 22 to discuss the situation.

Trustee Bilotti distributed his written report on the AMCA conference and trustees discussed it for a few minutes.

9. **ADJOURNMENT.**

Trustee Feder moved that the meeting be adjourned. Seconded by Trustee Bilotti. All in favor. The meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Roger Simonson, Secretary of Southlake  
Mosquito Abatement District