# MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE SOUTHLAKE MOSQUITO ABATEMENT DISTRICT MINUTES May 10, 2021, 2021

#### 1. **ROLL CALL**

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 p.m. by President Barbara Struthers. Trustees Tony Bilotti, Susan Levy, Roger Simonson and Dan Rubin were present. District Attorney Robert J. Masini and George Balis were also in attendance. The meeting was held, remotely via Zoom.

# 2. PUBLIC COMMENT

No members of the public were present nor had any questions or comments been received.

### 3. **MINUTES**

The Trustees reviewed the minutes of the April 12, 2021 regular meeting. Motion by Trustee Bilotti and seconded by Trustee Simonson to approve the minutes of the April 12, 2021 regular meeting. All in favor. Motion passed.

#### 4. TREASURER'S REPORT

The treasurer's report for April 2021 was reviewed by Trustee Levy. Trustee Levy reported that the District's fund balance as of the end of April was \$783,577.79. Trustee Simonson moved that the report from Treasurer Levy be accepted as presented. Trustee Bilotti seconded. All in favor. Motion passed.

#### 5. BILLS

The Trustees considered the following bills:

- 1. Grach, Masini, Hazan & Gurysh, LLP \$1,107.25 Legal Services.
- 2. Smith Accounting Services \$150.00 Accounting Services for April 2021 and preparation of Annual Final Report.
- 3. Liberty Business Systems & Networks, Inc. \$175.00 Maintenance of website and social media for one month.
- 4. Clarke Environmental \$54,578.60 Second contract installment payment, reduced from \$66,600.00 as a result of a credit for a prior double payment of an adulticide bill.

Trustee Levy moved that the bills be paid as presented. Seconded by Trustee Rubin. Roll Call. Ayes: Rubin, Bilotti, Levy, Simonson and Struthers. Nays: None. Motion passed.

#### 6. **REPORTS**

A. <u>Trustees</u>. Trustee Bilotti reported that the brochures/educational materials have been received by the Highland Park Park District and the libraries within SLMAD. He believed the materials were shipped directly to the District 112 schools. President Struthers will check on this.

Trustee Bilotti said that he needed more of the Spanish language materials for Highwood and Highland Park. President Struthers will send them to him.

Trustee Simonson showed the Trustees a copy of the Riverwoods Village Voice which had an article on keeping mosquitoes out of the backyard and it had a copy of the District's brochure stapled into it.

# 7. OLD BUSINESS

A. None.

## 8. **NEW BUSINESS**

- A. <u>Discussion concerning and adoption of the District's Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance for the year beginning May 1, 2021</u>. The trustees briefly discussed the proposed ordinance. Trustee Levy moved that the trustees adopt, as presented, the draft annual budget and appropriation ordinance for the 2021-2022 fiscal year with an appropriation for District expenditures in the amount of \$693,000. This is the same appropriation amount as the prior several years. Trustee Simonson seconded the motion. Roll call. Ayes: Rubin, Bilotti, Levy, Simonson and Struthers. Nays: None. Motion passed.
- B. <u>Discussion of and possible action with respect to any public health education activities for the coming season and also possible purchase of materials for said activities.</u> The trustees and Mr. Balis discussed the AMCA conference. It is scheduled for February 28, 2022 thru March 4, 2022 in Jacksonville, FL.

Trustee Bilotti reported that the trustees should be able to distribute public health information at the Highwood market. It is anticipated that the market will open sometime in July. Trustee Bilotti will stay on top of things.

President Struthers reported that no Deerfield events are currently scheduled this summer. The Village Hall is opening in June, so the next trustee meeting should take place in the regular meeting room in Village Hall.

- C. <u>Discussion and decision on rescheduled trustee appreciation dinner get together.</u>
  The trustees briefly discussed holding a trustee appreciation dinner. Everyone liked the idea. President Struthers will check into the matter and get back to the trustees.
- 9. <u>CLARK REPORT</u>. Mr. Balis reported that the traps will be set out during the week of May 17. The weather has been very dry rather than the predicted wetter and warmer than normal. Trustee Rubin asked if any helicopter checks of swimming pools had taken place. Mr. Balis said these take place later in the summer, usually the last part of July.

# 10. **ADJOURNMENT**.

Trustee Levy moved that the meeting be adjourned. Seconded by Trustee Rubin. All in favor. The meeting adjourned at 8:06 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Roger Simonson, Secretary of Southlake
Mosquito Abatement District