MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE SOUTHLAKE MOSQUITO ABATEMENT DISTRICT MINUTES October 10, 2022

1. **ROLL CALL**

The meeting was called to order at 7:33 p.m. by President Barbara Struthers. Trustees Tony Bilotti, Roger Simonson, and Susan Levy were present. Trustee Brent Ross was absent. District Attorney Robert J. Masini and George Balis of Clarke were also in attendance. The meeting was held at the Deerfield Village Hall in the Police Conference Room.

2. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

3. **MINUTES**

The trustees reviewed the minutes of the September 12, 2022 regular meeting. Motion by Trustee Levy, seconded by Trustee Simonson to approve the minutes of the September 12, 2022 regular meeting minutes. All in favor. Motion passed.

4. TREASURER'S REPORT

The treasurer's report for September 2022 was reviewed with the trustees by Trustee Levy. She reported that the District's fund balance as of the end of September was \$766,464.59.

Trustee Simonson moved that the Treasurer's Report for September 2022 be approved. Trustee Bilotti seconded. All in Favor.

5. BILLS

Trustee Levy reviewed the following bills with the Trustees:

- 1. RJM Legal, LLC \$1,496.25 Legal Services.
- 2. Liberty Computer Centre \$200.00 web site maintenance for October.
- 3. Clarke Environmental \$1,388.48 Three Adult Treatments.
- 4. Smith Accounting Services \$100.00 Accounting Services for September.
- 5. Gurysh Law, LLC \$450.00 Legal Services.

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

6. **REPORTS**

A. <u>Clarke Report</u> – Mr. Balis distributed the written monthly report to the trustees and reviewed it with them. He told the trustees that a sustainability report has been sent to the trustees and also to the Highland Park City Manager. He pointed out that there were 23 reported human cases of West Nile Virus in Illinois with 3 fatalities thus far this year. Seven WNV mosquitoes were found in the Fort Sheridan trap. This is high for that location.

7. OLD BUSINESS

A. None.

8. **NEW BUSINESS**

A. Attorney Masini told the trustees that he prepared a draft tax levy ordinance raising \$540,000 in real property taxes. This amount, \$540,000 is the same amount as last year. The trustees discussed the operations and costs of the past couple years. They believed that keeping the levy the same was the correct action.

Trustee Levy moved that the Board levy \$540,000 in real property taxes for the 2022 tax year to cover the costs of the District. Trustee Simonson seconded the motion. Roll call. Ayes: Bilotti, Simonson, Struthers and Levy. Nays: None. Absent: Trustee Ross. Motion passed.

The trustees briefly discussed the date for the holiday dinner. They agreed to hold the dinner on December 13.

9. **ADJOURNMENT**.

Trustee Levy moved that the meeting be adjourned. Seconded by Trustee Bilotti. All in favor. The meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Roger Simonson, Secretary of Southlake
Mosquito Abatement District