MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE

SOUTHLAKE MOSQUITO ABATEMENT DISTRICT

**MINUTES**

# October 12, 2015

1**. ROLL CALL**

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

2**. PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

3**. MINUTES**

The Trustees reviewed the minutes of the September 15, 2015 regular meeting. Motion by Trustee Levy, seconded by Trustee Feder to approve the minutes of the September 15, 2015 regular meeting with one change to reflect Ann Maine as President of the Lake County Forest Preserve District. All in favor. Motion passed.

4**. TREASURER’S REPORT**

A. Trustee Levy reviewed the September report with the Trustees. The trustees briefly discussed the season’s expenditures and the fiscal year. Motion by Trustee Feder to accept, as presented, the Treasurer’s Report for September 2015. Seconded by Trustee Levy. All in favor. Motion Passed.

5**. BILLS**

The Trustees then considered the following bills:

1. Diver, Grach, Quade & Masini, LLP - $1,443.00 – legal services.
2. Clarke Mosquito Control - $9,524.88 – for adult control, harborage treatments and backpack strip applications (September 17-30).
3. David Data Inc. - $180.00 -Web site maintenance.
4. Smith Accounting Services - $100.00-Accounting services.
5. Chicago Tribune - $45.89 public notice.
6. Kapp’s Custom Creations - $100.00 – updated the District’s stationery.
7. West’s Insurance Agency - $9,051.00 – General Liability and Directors and Officers insurance.

Trustee Feder moved that the bills be paid as presented. Trustee Levy seconded. Roll Call. Ayes: Levy, Struthers, Feder and Bilotti. Nays: None. Absent: Trustee Simonson.

6**. OLD BUSINESS**

Trustee Feder asked if anything had been heard from the County about larvaciding in the Prairie Wolf Preserve. Trustees Levy and Struthers advised that they had not received a reply.

7**. NEW BUSINESS**

A. Discussion concerning and adoption of Tax Levy Ordinance for the 2015 tax year. -

Attorney Masini advised that he had prepared a draft proposed ordinance with a levy of $486,000.00 the same as last year and in line with the District’s typical expenses. The Trustees briefly discussed the reserves and annual expenses. They also discussed an inquiry from a Deerfield resident. Following the discussion Trustee Levy moved that the trustees adopt the tax levy ordinance as presented with a levy of $486,000.00 for the 2015 tax year. Seconded by Trustee Bilotti. Roll Call. Ayes: Levy, Struthers, Feder and Bilotti. Nays: None. Absent: Trustee Simonson. Motion passed.

At 8:03 p.m. Trustee Levy had to leave for an important personal matter.

8. **Reports**

A. Clarke. – Mr. Balis distributed the written report for September. He mentioned that because the last half of the month was unusually warm, which prompted Culex activity, continued adulticiding was conducted in specific areas, Riverwoods, Del Mar and Sections 11 and 13 in Deerfield. He advised that 5 human WNV cases were reported in northern Lake County, none in the District. The trustees and Mr. Balis discussed the WNV positive (19) in District traps, in surrounding areas and the weather conditions that created more mature female Culex activity in the second half of September. They also discussed the location of Clarke’s traps in the vicinity of Prairie Wolf.

Mr. Balis mentioned how it would be good to find a trap location next year in a residential area in or near Highwood.

The trustees indicated that they would probably cancel the November meeting.

9. **Adjournment**.

Trustee Feder moved that the meeting be adjourned. Seconded by Trustee Bilotti. All in favor. The meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Roger Simonson

District Attorney Masini on behalf of Roger Simonson, Secretary

Southlake Mosquito Abatement District