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# Meeting Minutes

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## May 2024 Monthly Meeting of the Fort Myers Beach Mosquito Control District

### Call to order

A meeting of the Fort Myers Beach Mosquito Control District was held in the temporary office trailer at 300 Lazy Way, Fort Myers Beach, Florida on Tuesday May 14th, 2024. The meeting was called to order at 8:07 am. Attendees included: Commissioner Joanne Semmer, Commissioner Steve Johnson, Commissioner Jim Murphy, Director Michael Mills, and Tom Gressman. A guest in attendance was Brenton Betts, Environmental Specialist III, with the Bureau of Scientific Evaluation and Technical Assistance in the Division of Agricultural Environmental Services of the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services.

### Approval of minutes

The April 2024 minutes were read by Commissioner Semmer. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Murphy. Approved 3-0.

### Public Comment

- Mr Betts enlightened us about his role with DACS, advising counties about the services that he is able to provide. He is the point of contact for questions about:
  - Operational Work Plan
  - Chemical Reports
  - Entomologist assisted mosquito identification
  - Emergency procedures
  - Trapping required as result of potential outbreak
  - Help with data interpretation related to trapping
- USDA will provide us with CDC light traps to provide the CDC with baseline data. Mr. Betts will do all collection and identification. This data baseline is required in order to qualify for emergency funding. This funding is in the form of a grant to be used for expenses required to get back to operational status after an emergency.
- USDA and CDC will provide assistance as required in the event of an outbreak of a mosquito vectored disease.

### Staff Reports

- Bank Balance: \$665,531.54.

- DACS reports are caught up to September 2023, Sharon Brotherton says we are close to being caught up to the point of being able to report monthly.
- Auto Owners insurance quote on spray truck is \$4840.36 annually, Egis will provide similar coverage for \$2350. Commissioner Semmer motion to insure with Egis. No second. No vote on the motion.
- Tom will continue to investigate State regulations regarding making the Polaris Ranger larvaeciding vehicle street legal and registering it.
- Michael will contact Egis re: insuring the Polaris Ranger.
- Commissioner Semmer made motion to forward a copy of our audit to Representative Adam Botana. No second. No vote on the motion.
- Joanne asked attorney Pringle for language required to solicit bid proposals for new building. No response so far, she will repeat the request.
- Golf course and Catholic Church have been nice and dry with no activity so far. No requests for service.

## **Unfinished business**

None.

## **New business**

- Joanne read a document from attorney Pringle regarding 2024 election protocols for Commissioner Semmer and Commissioner Murphy into the minutes. The document will be filed with these minutes. Motion to adopt: Commissioner Semmer, second: Commissioner Johnson. Motion passed 3-0.
- Smith Fence needs to repair vehicle gate (it binds) before we submit final payment.
- We have been paying draws as completed to HONC for seawall cap restoration.
- Commissioner Johnson requested Board approval to invite Sharon Brotherton to June meeting.
- Commissioner Johnson addressed the MOU with Lee County Mosquito Control, he wants confirmation of exactly what services they provide to us for our financial compensation.
- Commissioner Semmer will contact Johnson Engineering regarding any updates to our District survey and the Meet to Bound.
- Commissioner Johnson will reach out to Lee County Mosquito Control once we have the survey resolved to schedule a face to Face meeting regarding the MOU.
- Michael needs to change our IRS address with DACS.
- Michael needs to change our address with the payroll company so that checks no longer are delivered to his house.

## **Announcements**

None

## **Adjournment**

Motion made by Commissioner Johnson, Second by Commissioner Semmer. Approved 2-0.

May 14, 2024 at 10:11 am.

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Secretary

Date of approval