
Meeting Minutes

September 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, September 10th, 2024. The meeting was called to order at 4:01 pm. Attendees included: Commissioner Joanne Semmer, Commissioner Steve Johnson, Commissioner Jim Murphy, Director Michael Mills, Sharon Brotherton, and Tom Gressman. A guest in attendance was Jeff Brown of Ashley Brown and Smith, Certified Public Accountants.

Approval of minutes

The August 2024 minutes were read by Commissioner Semmer. Prior to a vote to approve, Ms. Semmer asked that the comments she made re: The FMB Women's Club be stricken. Ms Semmer expressly stated that she wished to be on the record about the matter, but now is not sure she remembers. Sharon Brotherton confirmed that Ms Semmer has the right to do so, and the comments were removed. A motion to approve the amended minutes was made by Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Murphy. Approved 3-0.

Public Comment

No public present.

Staff Reports

- Michael reports he has sprayed three times since the August meeting, problem areas have centered around the north end of the island (Pink Shell/Bowditch Park) and the Catholic Church and surrounding streets (Widgeon/Noddy Tern/Indian Bayou).
- Not finding many larvae, have hardly had to larvacide at all, suggesting that the nuisance adults may be blowing in from the mangroves in Estero bay.
- Bank Balance as of August 31: \$597,473.09
- Refund received from overpayment to attorney Pringle: \$4674.28
- New riding mower is great, but hidden debris resulted in bent blades, we will replace.
- Michael will reinforce the fence where neighbor trespasses to fish on our property after hours.

Unfinished business

- Commissioner Johnson to look into the grant writing service that the Town of FMB and the Fire District are using,

- Extensive discussion about full-time/part-time office help, with job description to include call tracking, and service call follow up.
- Tom to investigate call tracking/mapping software currently being used by larger districts across the state.

New business

- Jeff Brown of Ashley Brown and Smith, CPAs gave a brief presentation and overview of the results of our annual audit. Motion made by Commissioner Semmer to accept the audit. Second by Commissioner Johnson. Passed 3-0.
- All are in agreement that effort needs to be made to insure that Ms. Smith's name is completely removed from the District's email accounts.
- Commissioners Murphy and Johnson have conflicts with the proposed date of the District Anniversary Picnic. New proposed date is Saturday November 16th. Extensive discussion was made about acquiring a tent, seating, tables, food, entertainment, whether to allow alcohol or not, etc.
- Ms. Brotherton is working to ensure that we are in compliance with the requirements of the new Performance Centered statute and that it is submitted on time.
- Commissioner Johnson made Motion to purchase a backpack fogger not to exceed \$1000.00 Second by Commissioner Semmer, Passed 3-0.

Announcements

None

Adjournment

Motion made by Commissioner Johnson, Second by Commissioner Semmer. Approved 3-0.

September 10, 2024 at 5:01 pm.

Secretary

Date of approval