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# Meeting Minutes

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## February 2025 Monthly Meeting of the Fort Myers Beach Mosquito Control District (Amended)

### Call to order

A meeting of the Fort Myers Beach Mosquito Control District was held in the Fort Myers Beach Historical Society building, 161 Bay Road, Fort Myers Beach, Florida on Tuesday, February 11th, 2025. The meeting was called to order at 8:09 am. Attendees included: Commissioner Joanne Semmer, Commissioner Jim Murphy, Director Michael Mills, and Tom Gressman. Also in attendance was Sharon Brotherton. Commissioner Steve Johnson was not present.

### Approval of minutes

The January 2025 minutes were read by Commissioner Semmer. A motion to approve the amended minutes was made by Commissioner Murphy, seconded by Commissioner Semmer. Approved 2-0.

### Public Comment

- None.

### Staff Reports

- January has been extremely dry; we did not apply any chemical at all the last month.
- Because of the dry conditions, we had absolutely no service calls in the month.
- Our spray truck is back in service from warranty repair. However, while at Estero Bay Chevrolet, an employee of the dealership hit another vehicle with our truck. The damage is relatively minor, but since it is an almost new vehicle we should have the dealership repair it.
- Bank Balance as of January 31: \$857,058.76.
- We purchased and received 50 gallons of Biomist adulticide. By purchasing early, we received a 4% discount.
- Mr Gressman ran into Commissioner Johnson at Dodd Short Courses... Steve said that the potential merger of our District and LCMCD was just briefly mentioned in the Commissioner's Caucus, and the OPPAGA audit was widely criticized as being a waste of time and resources.

### Unfinished business

- Commissioner Semmer sent some information to attorney Janice Ruskin, but has not received a response.
- Commissioner Semmer has not been to the Town of FMB regarding the permit that we require for the trailer.

- UES will conduct soil testing for our site that is required before new construction can commence.
- Bob Case submitted a preliminary (very basic) site plan. Commissioner Murphy made a motion to move forward with the project and submit the necessary paperwork. No vote was made.
- Ms Brotherton needs minutes for FY 24-25 to submit to Doug Drake along with other content for the web page. We need employee and commissioner photographs also. Ms Brotherton will attempt to have Mr Drake attend our next meeting.
- Commissioner Murphy will check on available rental office space.

## **New business**

- Apparently in 2022, without any approval, our former 'Branch Manager' Ms Smith signed a 5-year contract with Cintas for employee uniform service. The bill is now \$1613.84. Director Mills will follow up with Cintas.
- Commissioner Semmer is very concerned about perceived community presence... she feels like some people are not aware that we are even functioning.
- Exploritech needs a payment before they proceed with website development.
- Commissioner Johnson feels like we need to participate in the FMB Shrimp Festival and the FMB St. Patrick's Day parades. It would be a fabulous chance to increase our public presence.
- Commissioner Semmer suggested that we purchase the necessary inverter to power the smoke machine for the truck in the parade... Mr Gressman will take care of this.
- Commissioner Semmer suggested we get door hangers printed up, Director Mills to follow up.

## **Announcements**

None

## **Adjournment**

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

February 11th, 2025 at 9:04 am.

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Secretary

Date of approval