

The Board of Commissioners of the Lee County Mosquito Control District (LCMCD) held its regular scheduled meeting October 9, 2014 at 10:00 a.m., in the Auditorium at District headquarters, 15191 Homestead Road, Lehigh Acres, Florida.

PRESENT: Chairman Dortch, Commissioners George T. Mann, Jr., William M. Ellis, Thomas Hart, Richard H. Pritchett, III and Director T. Wayne Gale.

VISITORS: Brian Farrar – Newly elected LCMC/LCHCD Board member from Bonita Springs, Area 2.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – None

MINUTES - Chairman Dortch asked for approval of the minutes of the last regular meeting of the Board held on October 9, 2014. Commissioner Mann moved that the minutes be approved as read. Commissioner Ellis seconded the motion which carried with no dissenting votes.

LEE COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT – Jennifer Roth, Director of Epidemiology, reported that there are a total to date of 260 imported mosquito borne disease cases reported in Florida.

PROJECTS UPDATE – Carmen McKinney, Deputy Director Aviation, Fleet & Facilities, reported that the repairs to the water line have been completed and the line is working properly. The back gate to Runway 6 has been modified to improve security. The gate is now functioning on a log in/out system. Eventually the entire inner compound will be separated by locked gate from Runway 6. The King Air C90 tank system work is being done. Embry Riddle University is still working on some of the engineering. The military King Air 200's awarded to us are being transferred to us by the General Services Administration (GSA). The Navy is checking over each aircraft to make certain all military equipment is removed from the aircraft before transfer. Preparing the aircraft for trucking will cost \$5,000 and then \$15,000 to actually transport the aircraft by truck. It would cost approximately \$40,000 per aircraft to prepare them to fly to us. This will be a long process as many government agencies will be involved. The estimated time before the District can have these aircraft ready for use is 2-4 years.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT – Director Gale advised the Board that mosquito season has pretty much subsided. Service requests have lessened except for the *Mansonia* mosquitoes which are coming out of ponds and lakes or anything that has water lettuce. There are no active disease issues at this time. There was a body found in a park by one of our employees, which was unfortunate for our employee but shows they were doing their job of actively looking for mosquito breeding sites.

Surplus Property – This will be a regular request to declare property as surplus that is no longer useful to the Districts so that it can be put up for sale. The plan is to advertise on Gov Deals (an online auction site specifically for government surplus items) and auction items off a little bit at a time so there will not be large piles of property to be sold. Motion was made by Commissioner Pritchett to declare the listed property as surplus and dispose appropriately. Commissioner Ellis seconded the motion and the Board unanimously approved.

FUEL AND CHEMICAL BID APPROVAL – Russ Baker, Chief Financial Officer, presented the awarded bid list produced by Lynn Schiegner, Manager-Purchasing & Supply, Kevin Watts, LCHCD Operations Manager and Katie Heggemeier, Manager-Mosquito Control. Bids were opened by Purchasing and tabulated with the lowest bid appearing on the list in red. After presenting the bid list, CFO Baker requested approval of the qualified bids presented. A motion was made by Commissioner Hart to accept the fuel and chemical bids as presented. Commissioner Pritchett seconded the motion and the Board unanimously approved.

HEALTH INSURANCE – CFO Baker reported that in the past we renewed the health care coverage on January 1st every year. The District and Florida Blue would like to have open enrollment this year but the different dates for different health policies have been a problem in the past. Russ is asking the Board to allow us to move all insurance renewal dates to April 1, 2015 and there would be no change in current premium prices through March 31st. The Agent expects an 8% increase on April 1st. In addition to the two tier system currently offered, two additional tiers of employee/spouse and employee children will be offered in April. The four tier selection being offered will help save the employees money depending upon which coverage they choose. Motion was made by Commissioner Ellis to approve the date change to April 1, 2015. Commissioner Pritchett seconded the motion and the Board approved unanimously.

SELF INSURANCE ON AIRCRAFT, ABOVE GROUND STORAGE TANKS AND TRUCKS - The high reserve amount maintained by the District includes self-insurance funding to cover a catastrophic event. One of our insurers has quoted a cost to provide this coverage at \$14,280 per year to cover for one year. If the District enters into a 3 year deal it would be roughly \$33,000 for three years. The District needs to carry \$4.7 – \$6 million in reserves, according to an actuarial study for self-insurance. Having this much in reserves is always a political issue. Motion was made by Commissioner Ellis to accept the three year premium for the new coverage. Commissioner Mann seconded the motion and the Board approved with no dissenting votes.

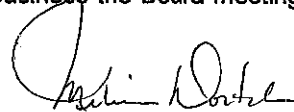
BUDGET AMMENDMENT – CFO Baker presented budget amendment 2015-2. Budget amendment 2015-2 decreased rental and lease expenditures by \$236,645 and increased principal and interest payments by \$236,645. The amendment is needed to properly reflect the expenditures in accordance with the uniform accounting system manuals of the State of Florida. Motion to approve this amendment was made by Commissioner Ellis and seconded by Commissioner Mann. The Board approved unanimously.

FINANCIAL REPORT – Commissioner Ellis advised the Board there is no financial report due to the early date of this month's meeting. The October report will be presented at next month's Board meeting.

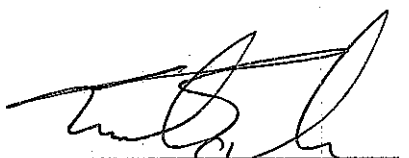
Commissioner Ellis reported on the Workshop earlier this morning which included Director Gale's five year plan, and discussed his evaluation. The evaluation was overwhelmingly positive with very few negatives. Four out of the five Board members present recommended giving Director Gale a 4.5% salary increase based on the fact that there has been no raise for him the last five years. Motion was made by Commissioner Ellis to approve the 4.5% increase. Commissioner Pritchett seconded the motion and the Board unanimously approved. The increase will be effective the first of the Fiscal year which is October 1.

Commissioner Pritchett made parting remarks to the District, thanking the District employees for their work in Lee County and making this a great organization. He commended the District for being cooperative with all branches of government and working well with Lee County.

NEW BUSINESS - There being no further business the Board meeting was adjourned at 11:13 a.m.



Chairman



Secretary