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Minutes of the Board of Trustees – Wednesday, June 9, 2021

1. Roll Call:

Present: Greg Gomez, President; Belen Gomez, Secretary, Michael Cavanagh, Larry Roberts, Linda Gutierrez, Rosemary Hellwig, and Kevin Caskey.

Staff: Dr. Mustapha Debboun, General Manager; Mir Bear-Johnson, Assistant Manager; Sheri Davis, Administrative Assistant, Paul Harlien, Foreman.

2. New Employee Introduction:

General Manager, Dr. Mustapha Debboun introduced Foreman Mr. Paul Harlien. Mr. Harlien gave a brief biography and was welcomed by the Board of Trustees.

3. Consent Calendar:

The Administrative Assistant provided information on the following items:

Board Order #30 – 35329 Aerial Services – Pool Survey Flight

Board Order #31 – 35406 Probolsky Research – Community Behavioral Survey

Following discussion, it was moved by Kevin Caskey, seconded by Michael Cavanagh, and the Board members unanimously approved the consent calendar as presented. Vote by roll call; all ayes.

4. Public Forum:

One member of the public, Pamela Silva of Visalia was present via teleconference who commented on agenda item number 11.

5. Staff Report:

The General Manager reported that West Nile virus was detected in Visalia this week.

Delta MVCD staff will have a booth at Visalia Rawhide baseball home games to answer questions and provide information to the public.

6. Enterprise Fleet Management:

The General Manager reported that we will be receiving 3 vehicles next week from Enterprise Fleet Management. The delivery charge has been waived, and the remaining vehicles are scheduled for delivery at the end of the year.

7. Benefit Assessment:

The General Manager provided an update on the Benefit Assessment. Approximately 80,000 ballots were mailed out on 6/4/2021. SCI Consulting Group provided material to assist with calls from the public. SCI has also scheduled a community Zoom meeting on 6/17/2021 at 6:00 p.m. to answer questions from the public.

There will be a Special Meeting on 7/21/21, which will be the last day to receive ballots. Ballot results will be presented at a Special Meeting on 7/28/2021.

8. Resolution 2021-05:

A Resolution retaining the services of the Tulare County Registrar of Voters for purposes of counting, tabulating, and canvassing the ballots from the proceedings initiated by the Board of Trustees by its Resolutions 2021-03 and 2021-04.

Following discussion, it was moved by Michael Cavanagh, seconded by Rosemary Hellwig, and the Board members unanimously approved Resolution 2021-05. Vote by roll call; all ayes.

9. Surveillance Report:

The Assistant Manager reported on surveillance information for the state, central region, and local community.

10. 2021 California Mosquito-Borne Virus Surveillance & Response Plan, and Guidance for Surveillance of and Response to Invasive Aedes Mosquitoes and Dengue, Chikungunya, and Zika in California.

The Assistant Manager informed the Board that the California Department of Public Health documents listed have been used in the past, and that these were current updated versions of those previous documents. She explained how we used these documents as guidelines to direct our mosquito surveillance and response plans and would like to have the updated versions approved by the board for adoption.

Following discussion, it was moved by Michael Cavanagh, seconded by Larry Roberts, and unanimously voted by the Board members to adopt both plans. Vote by roll call; all ayes.

11. 2021-22 Fiscal Budget

The General Manager presented the 2021-22 Fiscal Budget.

Public Comment: Pamela Silva of Visalia commented via teleconference that she opposed the COLA portion of the 2021 Fiscal Budget.

Following discussion, it was moved by Larry Roberts, seconded by Greg Gomez, and unanimously voted by the Board members to adopt the 2021-22 Fiscal Budget. Vote by roll call; all ayes.

12. Resolution 2021-06

The Salary Schedule Resolution was presented for approval.

Following discussion, it was moved by Michael Cavanagh, seconded by Belen Gomez, and unanimously voted by the Board members to adopt the 2021-06 Salary Schedule. Vote by roll call; all ayes.

13. Policies

The Assistant Manager presented the following policies:

- 1063 Code of Ethics
- 1064 Ethics Training

Following discussion, it was moved by Rosemary Hellwig, seconded by Linda Guttierrez, and unanimously voted by the Board members to adopt both policies. Vote by roll call; all ayes.

14. Adjournment:

It was moved by Michael Cavanagh, seconded by Greg Gomez, and unanimously approved to adjourn the meeting of the District Board of Trustees. The meeting was adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Dr. Mustapha Debboun, Recording Secretary