

Benton County Mosquito Control District

Meeting Minutes Regular Board Meeting October 23, 2017

I. Call to order

President Cynthia Gray called to order the regular meeting of the Benton County Mosquito Control Board of Trustees at 7:00 pm.

II. Roll call

The following Trustees were present: Richard Bloom, Rudy Cortez, Thomas Groom, Jake Mokler, and Cindy Gray.

Joseph Schiessl and Kevin Christensen were excused.

III. Public Hearing; 2018 Assessment Rolls

President Gray opened the Public Hearing portion of the meeting at 7:02 pm. No one was present from the public and no questions or comments were given. President Gray closed the Public Hearing at 7:04 pm, and reopened the regular meeting at 7:05 pm.

IV. Approval of Minutes

a) 9/25/2017 Regular Meeting Minutes

Richard Bloom moved to approve the minutes from the previous meeting held on September 25th, 2017 as written, seconded by Rudy Cortez. Motion passed with all in favor.

b) 10/16/2017 Special Meeting Minutes

Richard Bloom moved to approve the minutes from the special meeting held on October 16th, 2017 as written, seconded by Rudy Cortez. Motion passed with all in favor.

V. Guest Agenda Items

There were no guests present.

VI. Financial Report

Richard Bloom asked about the \$119.18 difference between the Year to Date Report



and the Treasurer's Report. Angela Beehler explained that there was a \$92.04 voided warrant (#6557) and associated \$27.14 for Liabilities. This warrant was voided because an employee was unintentionally paid for a holiday which he should not have been.

VII. Correspondence

No correspondence to report.

VIII. Manager's Report

- a) West Nile virus Update; Angela Beehler discussed the 2017 WNV activity, and how 19 out of 34 statewide positive mosquito samples came from BCMC. Six of the seven in-state acquired human cases occurred in Spokane County.
- b) Updated the Board on her attendance of a State Auditor's workshop.
- c) Discussed the Budget Projection for the remainder of 2017.
 - i. Richard Bloom wanted to clarify that the "Cash Carryover" terminology should be used for revenue and not expenses. Angela Beehler will be changing that terminology for 2018.

IX. Old Business

None.

X. New Business

a) Resolution 4-17: Resolution Classifying Benton County Properties

Richard Bloom moved to adopt Resolution 4-17; a resolution classifying Benton County properties within the Benton County Mosquito Control District No. 1 for the purpose of the 2018 assessment. Properties are classified as improved or unimproved for the purpose of this assessment. Seconded by Thomas Groom. Motion passed with all in favor.

b) Resolution 5-17: Resolution Classifying Yakima County Properties

Thomas Groom moved to adopt Resolution 5-17; a resolution classifying Yakima County properties within the Benton County Mosquito Control District No. 1 for the purpose of the 2018 assessment. Properties are classified as receiving equal benefit per acre from the services of the District. Seconded by Richard Bloom. Motion passed with all in favor.

c) Resolution 6-17: Resolution Adopting the 2018 Budget

Jake Mokler moved to adopt Resolution 6-17; a resolution adopting the 2018 budget. Whereas; the Board of Trustees of the Benton County Mosquito Control District No. 1 has established a 2018 operating budget of \$2,200,436. Seconded by Rudy Cortez. Motion passed with the following roll call vote:

R. Cortez – Aye / J. Mokler – Aye / T. Groom – Aye
/ R. Bloom - Aye

d) Resolution 7-17: Resolution Establishing the Assessment Method, Benton

Rudy Cortez moved to adopt Resolution 7-17; a resolution establishing the assessment collection and disposition of revenue; it is hereby resolved by the Board of Trustees of the Benton County Mosquito Control District No. 1 that the 2018 assessment amount for the mosquito control within Benton County shall be approximately \$1,473,111.

Unimproved properties shall be assessed a flat rate of \$5.00 per parcel. Improved properties shall be assessed a rate of \$10.90 per parcel. In addition to the per parcel fee, improved properties shall be charged \$40 per acre for the first 0.25 acres of land, and \$0.50 per acre for land over 0.25 acres. Seconded by Richard Bloom. Motion passed with all in favor.

e) Resolution 8-17: Resolution Establishing the Assessment Method, Yakima

Richard Bloom moved to adopt Resolution 8-17; a resolution establishing the assessment collection and disposition of revenue for Yakima County; it is hereby resolved by the Board of Trustees of the Benton County Mosquito Control District No. 1 that the 2018 assessment amount for the mosquito control within Yakima County shall be approximately \$264,325. The actual assessment rate per acre will be determined by the County Assessor based on the total number of acres subject to the mosquito control assessment. Seconded by Jake Mokler. Motion passed with all in favor.

f) 2018 Board Meeting Schedule: January 22nd, March 26th, April 23rd, June 25th, July 23rd, August 27th, September 24th, October 22nd.

Richard Bloom moved to accept the dates listed for the 2018 Board Meeting Schedule. Seconded by Jake Mokler. Motion passed with all in favor.

XI. Payment of Bills and Signing of Documents

- a) After a review by the Board, Richard Bloom moved that warrant numbers 6561 to 6596, direct deposits, and taxes in the amount of \$35,339.29 be

approved for payment, seconded by Thomas Groom; motion passed with the following roll call vote:

R. Cortez – Aye / J. Mokler – Aye / T. Groom – Aye
/ R. Bloom – Aye

XII. Adjournment

President Cynthia Gray adjourned the meeting at 7:26 pm.

Respectfully Submitted:



Angela Beehler
Manager



ATTEST: R. Cortez
Trustee



ATTEST: C. Gray
President