## Board Meeting Minutes of the Animas Mosquito Control District

## **Meeting Held:**

Tuesday, June 18, 2024 Location: AMCD Shop

> 870 County Road 252 Durango, CO 81301

And

**Zoom Meeting** 

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Meeting ID: 883 6317 0069

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## I. Meeting Called to Order

Ted Hermesman III, Board President, called the meeting to order at 12:06 pm

### II. Roll Call

<u>Present</u>: Ted Hermesman III, Board President / Jim Bryce, Board Vice President / Janet Pettigrew, Board Secretary / Shane Kairalla, Board Director / Dave Dillon – Board Director / Seth Foster, District Manager / Melody Schaaf, Office Manager / Jamie Matthews – Auditor

## Quorum established.

## \*III. Minutes & Financials

- A. The board reviewed the May 21, 2024, meeting minutes. Motion to approve these minutes was made and seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
- B. Jamie Matthews, Auditor, spoke on the need to get a signed form for an audit extension. The audit should go smoothly again this year. The Board President signed the form.

#### Jamie left the meeting.

C. The board reviewed the May 2024 financials. There was a request made to have a simpler layout showing the expenses to date compared to the income to date and the funds in our financial accounts. Discussion followed. Motion was made and seconded to approve the financials. Motion passed unanimously.

The manager checked to see if the contractor had sent his progress report yet, and he had not. The Board wants Loren Doughty to attend, in person, our next meeting and every meeting after until the project is complete.

## IV. Managers' Report

- This month has been challenging. The briquettes that were put out early have been failing before the advertised duration. Contacted Central Life Sciences and they are replacing these briquettes at no charge (valued at \$60,451.00).
- The Vectomax FG is working as advertised. Need approval to order another 70 bags to get through the season (quote attached to board packet).
- Airbags have been installed on our crew trucks, fixing the trailering issues. The trucks are performing great, and we greatly appreciate the improvement in the turning radius.

(\* Indicates vote/approval took place for action or expenditure)

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- Have been working with Tim Flanagan, Advance Fire Solutions, Animas Water Company and the Durango Fire Department on our sprinkler system. The City of Durango's planning department has reviewed our plans, and a sprinkler system is required after all. Advance Fire Solutions is working on the final plans for the system to code. There has been much discussion from Animas Water Company about metering the fire line, which is their requirement. Their requirement has caused a slowdown in the process due to the space and lay-out constraints. The Durango Fire Department requires our drone batteries to be stored in a lipo battery container containing any sudden flash fires that these batteries have produced. We store them in fireproof bags right now, but this cabinet is far better and has its fire suppression system inside. Lipo batteries have been known to ignite spontaneously and are very difficult to control. Once this system is designed and installed, the rest of the electrical system and walls can be finished.
- The crews are in good spirits and are working very hard to control the mosquito larvae for our district residents. Our night fogger is helping maintain the adult mosquitoes. I have been back-pack fogging early in the mornings. Have no complaints about my crews and am proud of them all.
- \* There was discussion regarding the purchase of the Vectomax granules for \$27,002.00. Motion to approve this purchase was made and seconded. Motion passed unanimously.
- **A.** Discussion on the building fire suppression system. The board asked the manager to talk to Bud and have him investigate the reason for the sudden change, requiring the system.
- **B.** Discussion on the meter that Animas Water Company wanted installed on the fire suppression system and the installation of the hydrant. Had to pay to find out where the water lines were located as Animas Water did not have any records on them.
- **C.** Discussion regarding why the hold on the progress of the fire suppression system would put a hold on everything else as it didn't seem like anything had been accomplished for a while. The holding pond could be completed, dirt work could be done, etc.
- **D.** The manager presented the letter from the Attorney regarding boundary adjustments and treating properties owned by City of Durango. Discussion followed.
- **E.** The manager requested that the Board approve of one of our employees, Charles Voight, staying on the new property in his camper to keep an eye on things (parts for the electric fence have been stolen) and do the irrigation. The Board had no problem with this but asked that we talk to our attorney regarding liability issues and compensation, and have him draw up an agreement.
- **F.** The Board asked if there was a plan for the fencing and gates on the new property and if we could get moving on this. Manager will contact the proper parties to get this going.

## Meeting Adjourned: 1:03 pm

Minutes respectfully submitted by Melody Schaaf, Office Manager on July 12, 2024.

These minutes were approved by the Board of Directors on July 16, 2024.

The next Board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, August 20, at 12:00 pm.