

Regular Meeting Minutes

Florida Keys Mosquito Control District

Marathon Office
503 107th Street
Marathon, FL 33050

June 16, 2020 2:00 pm (approximate)

The Board of Commissioners of the Florida Keys Mosquito Control District held a Regular Meeting on June 16, 2020 via virtual meeting at the FKMCD Marathon office.

Present Were: Phillip Goodman, Chairman; Dr. Stanley Zuba, Vice-Chair, Brandon Pinder, Secretary/Treasurer; Tom McDonald, Commissioner; Jill Cranney-Gage, Commissioner; Andrea Leal, Executive Director; Dirk Smits, Board Attorney.

Employees Present Were: Mikki Coss, Director of Operations; Bruce Holden, Finance Director; Joshua Kogut, Director of Aerial Operations; Chad Huff, PEIO; Michael Behrend, Director of Human Resources; Chrissy Bloxom, Executive Assistant; Tony Nunez, Chief Technology Officer.

Invited Guests Present: None

Community Input: Five residents spoke on GM mosquitoes.

Approval of Agenda: Hearing no changes the agenda was unanimously approved. *A motion was made by Commissioner Cranney-Gage, seconded by Commissioner Pinder and passed unanimously* to approve the Consent Agenda.

Attorney's Report: Dirk Smits, Board Attorney, reported that the amendment to the FKMCD enabling legislation has been signed. Mr. Smits was notified about a lawsuit against the EPA. He was not given the opportunity to review it prior to the meeting.

Director's Report: Executive Director Leal updated the Board on mosquito borne diseases in Florida, travel bans, mosquito pool testing, FKMCD Operations and Human Resources. Director Leal reported that Oxitec has received notification of approval from the Florida Department of Agriculture & Consumer Services.

Items for Board Discussion:

8a.) Policy for Compensation for Public Emergency Response Work – Executive Director Leal and Michael Behrend, Director of Human Resources, addressed the Board on the District pay policy that is activated in the event of a public emergency. Director Leal and Mr. Behrend explained the differences in pay scale for administrative leave and emergency response work.

Items for Board Review and Action:

9a.) Surplus Equipment – Bruce Holden, Finance Director, requested disposal of a Get-Jet Aircraft Mover that is unrepairable. *A motion was made by Commissioner McDonald, seconded by Commissioner Zuba and passed unanimously* to dispose at the Directors discretion. Mr. Holden stated that the Bid Committee did not receive any bids for ITB 2020-03 Surplus Equipment. He recommended that assets be disposed of at the Directors discretion. *A motion was made by Commissioner McDonald, seconded by Commissioner Zuba and passed unanimously* to approve the disposal of the surplus items at the Directors discretion.

9b.) Ratification of Emergency Purchase for Helicopter N90097 – Director Leal advised the Board, that during an Oil Starvation inspection, for helicopter N90097, additional repairs were located. *A motion was made by Commissioner McDonald, seconded by Commissioner Cranney-Gage and passed unanimously* to ratify the emergency purchase.

Good of the Order:

- Commissioner McDonald stated that he has been receiving compliments for the time taken by FKMCD staff members to follow up on service requests.

- Chairman Goodman discussed the next meeting on July 21, 2020. Director Leal advised the Board that a Retiree Healthcare Trust meeting will be scheduled, along with a Budget Workshop and the Regular meeting.
- Director Leal requested to schedule an informational workshop, for the Board, on the Oxitec mosquito. After some discussion, it was scheduled for Tuesday, June 23, 2020 at 1:00pm.
- Commissioner Pinder requested to put the previous referendum as a discussion item on the next month meeting agenda.

There being no further business to come before the Board the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

*Andrea Leal
Executive Director*

*Board of Commissioners
Florida Keys Mosquito Control District*

Phillip L. Goodman, Chairman

Brandon Pinder, Secretary-Treasurer

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