## FRESNO WESTSIDE MOSQUITO ABATEMENT DISTRICT 2555 N STREET - FIREBAUGH, CALIFORNIA

MINUTES:

Board Meeting ------April 11, 2024

Online Meeting------Firebaugh, California

TRUSTEES PRESENT:

Capuchino, Felker, Williams, Fontana

TRUSTEES ABSENT:

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OTHERS PRESENT:

Conlin Reis, Dist. Manager

President Capuchino called the meeting to order at 12:46 p.m.

\* President Capuchino called for review of the General Consent items. Following discussion and review, a motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the general consent items, as presented.

**MOTION:** Trustee Fontana

**SECOND**: Trustee Felker

There was no public comment.

The President moved the meeting into closed session

Report from Closed Session:

\* The Manager announced he would be stepping down from his position as of July 1st. After some discussion, a motion was made, seconded, and passed unanimously to appoint Chance Rowan as Interim Manager, beginning May 1st and for an indefinite period while the Board considers its next steps.

**MOTION:** Trustee Felker

**SECOND:** Trustee Williams

The Manager provided a brief oral report on District operations, legislative, regulatory and other issues of importance to this District.

There were no additional items for the agenda.

- \* The Manager presented the 2024-25 Salaries packet. The Board discussed the current salary ranges and potential Cost of Living increases. No action was taken at this time as the Board wished to consider the next month's CPI.
- \* The Manager presented the 2024-25 Budget packet (including the draft preliminary budget). No action was taken at this time.
- \* The Board discussed the rate of the Benefit Assessment for the 2024-25 Fiscal Year. The Board reviewed the funding history and expected capital expenditures and salary costs over the next few years. After much discussion, a motion was made, seconded and passed unanimously to take no increase to the benefit assessment at this time.

  MOTION: Trustee Felker SECOND: Trustee Fontana
- \* A motion was made, seconded and, passed unanimously to approve the renewal of the aircraft insurance.

## **MOTION:** Trustee Williams

**SECOND**: Trustee Felker

A motion was made, seconded, and passed unanimously to, pursuant to HSC section 2064, find a continued nuisance and renewed abatement for the MWA. The District will continue to waive civil penalties and will charge only the costs of mosquito surveillance and control activities on the property.

MOTION: Trustee Felker

**SECOND**: Trustee Fontana

A motion was made, seconded and, passed unanimously to declare the listed property surplus (see Board Packet). MOTION: Trustee Felker **SECOND:** Trustee Fontan

Changes to Policies 2205 and 2005 were presented to the Board. Action, if any, will be taken at the next regular board meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:35 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Board will be held on May 09, 2024.

S. Leo Capuchino

Secretary