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

MINUTES:

Board Meeting -----May 11, 2023

Headquarters-----Firebaugh, California

Remote Meeting

TRUSTEES PRESENT:

Capuchino, Williams, Ram, Felker

TRUSTEES ABSENT:

Fontana

OTHERS PRESENT:

Conlin Reis, Dist. Manager

President Capuchino called the meeting to order at 12:45 p.m.

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

MOTION: Trustee Ram

SECOND: Trustee Felker

There was no public comment.

* A motion was made, seconded, and passed unanimously to add two additional items to the agenda: a resolution authorizing the manager to deal with Cal OES and FEMA for emergency funds, and a resolution declaring public health emergency conditions related to the recent storms. Both actions were determined to be necessary due to the pending submission deadline for financial support.

MOTION: Trustee Ram

SECOND: Trustee Felker

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

The Manager reported on meetings he has attended over the past month on behalf of the District and provided an oral report on issues of importance discussed at those meetings.

The Manager informed the Board of upcoming meetings and let them know which meetings he plans to attend on behalf of the District.

- * The Manager presented the 2023-24 Salaries packet. The Board discussed the current salary ranges and potential Cost of Living increases. After discussion, a motion was made, seconded and, passed unanimously to approve the salary schedule at a 5% COLA in line with the current CPI and salary comparisons to similar districts.
- MOTION: Trustee Felker <u>SECOND</u>: Trustee Ram
- * The Manager presented the 2023-24 Budget packet (including the draft proposed budget and the reserves report). After discussion, a motion was made, seconded and passed unanimously to approve the budget and reserves report as presented.

 MOTION: Trustee Ram

 SECOND: Trustee Felker
- * The Manager presented the 23-24 Engineer's Report for the district's benefit assessment. After some discussion a motion was made, seconded, and passed unanimously to pass Resolution #293, approving the engineer's report and authorizing the provision of notice for the benefit assessment public hearing.

MOTION: Trustee Williams

SECOND: Trustee Felker

RESOLUTION # 293

Ayes: Capuchino, Ram, Williams, Felker

Nos: None

Abstain/Absent: Fontana (Absent)

* The Manager presented the calculation of the Proposition 4 spending limitations.. After some discussion a motion was made, seconded, and passed unanimously to pass Resolution #294, setting the appropriations limit as calculated.

MOTION: Trustee Ram

SECOND: Trustee Felker

RESOLUTION # 294

Ayes: Capuchino, Ram, Williams, Felker

Nos: None

Abstain/Absent: Fontana (Absent)

- * After some discussion a motion was made, seconded and, passed unanimously to ratify the modification to the asphalt project to account for prevailing wage requirements. .

 MOTION: Trustee Williams SECOND: Trustee Ram
- * The Manager presented a mutual aid agreement between Merced Mosquito Abatement District and the Fresno Westside Mosquito Abatement District. After some discussion a motion was made, seconded, and passed unanimously to pass Resolution #295, approving the mutual aid agreement.

MOTION: Trustee Williams SECOND: Trustee Ram

RESOLUTION # 295

Ayes: Capuchino, Ram, Williams, Felker

Nos: None

Abstain/Absent: Fontana (Absent)

* The Manager presented a resolution approving the District Manager as the agent for the District when dealing with OES and FEMA related to aid funds. After some discussion a motion was made, seconded, and passed unanimously to pass Resolution #296.

MOTION: Trustee Williams

SECOND: Trustee Ram

RESOLUTION # 296

Ayes: Capuchino, Ram, Williams, Felker

Nos: None

Abstain/Absent: Fontana (Absent)

* The Manager presented a resolution declaring a local public health emergency related to the recent storm and associated flooding. After some discussion a motion was made, seconded, and passed unanimously to pass Resolution #297.

MOTION: Trustee Ram

SECOND: Trustee Felker

RESOLUTION # 297

Ayes: Capuchino, Ram, Williams, Felker

Nos: None

Abstain/Absent: Fontana (Absent)

The President asked the Trustees to report on mosquito conditions and public opinion in their respective areas. Nothing was reported at this time.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:40 p.m. The next regular meeting of the Board will be held on June 08, 2023.

S. Leo Capuchino
Charman

Secretary