

**MINUTES OF THE 864<sup>th</sup> REGULAR  
MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE  
MONTEREY COUNTY MOSQUITO ABATEMENT DISTRICT  
May 14, 2024**

A meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Monterey County Mosquito Abatement District was held on May 14, 2024, at the District Office in Salinas, California.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Jeff Cecilio, Chair, County of Monterey  
Don Cranford, Vice Chair, County of Monterey  
Nancy Amadeo, Secretary, City of Marina  
Mary Ann Carbone, City of Sand City  
Jim Tashiro, City of Salinas  
Jeff Glass, City of Monterey  
Ian Oglesby, City of Seaside  
Louise Goetzelt, City of Del Rey Oaks  
Ray Coopersmith, County of Monterey

**STAFF PRESENT:**

Ken Klemme, District Manager  
Kelli Gutierrez, Administrative Assistant  
Raul Vazquez, Mosquito Tech

**GUESTS PRESENT:**

Edric Kwan

**1. CALL TO ORDER:**

Board Chair Jeff Cecilio called the 864<sup>th</sup> Regular Meeting to order at 12:02 PM

**2. AGENDA MANAGEMENT: NONE**

**3. ROLL CALL:**

Administrative Assistant Kelli Gutierrez called roll; it was determined that a quorum was present

**4. PUBLIC COMMENTS: NONE**

**5. CONSENT CALENDAR:**

- A. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: April 2024
- B. PAYROLL WARRANTS: April 2024 \$ 104,966.12
- C. COMMERCIAL WARRANTS: April 2024 \$ 30,124.22
- D. UMPQUA BANK: March 2024 \$ 2,984.59
- E. TIME DISTRIBUTION: April 2024

- F. BALANCE SHEET: April 2024
- G. SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES: April 2024

With no further inquiries, **Trustee Amadeo moved to approve the consent calendar A through G, as presented, Trustee Tashiro seconded;** *the motion was passed unanimously.*

- H. APPROVAL OF THE SPECIAL MINUTES: April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2024

**Trustee Amadeo moved to approve the consent H, as presented, Trustee Coopersmith seconded;** *the motion was passed unanimously.*  
Comments Trustee Amadeo and Trustee Goetzelt abstained from special minutes.

**6. BUSINESS ITEMS:**

**A. Edric Kwan with SCI will be presenting the FY 24/25 engineers report**

Edric Kwan presented the engineers report for the Fiscal Year 24-25, he was also prepared to answer any questions the Board may have had. Mr. Kwan explained the resolutions and without further discussion the Board was prepared to go to vote.

**B. Approval of RESOLUTION No. 2425-01**

After discussion, **Trustee Amadeo moved to approve the RESOLUTION No. 2425-01 as presented;** **Trustee Goetzelt seconded;** *the motion was passed unanimously.*

**C. Approval of RESOLUTION No. 2425-02**

**After discussion, Trustee Goetzelt moved to approve the RESOLUTION No. 2425- 02 as presented;** **Trustee Oglesby seconded;** the motion was passed Unanimously.

**D. Monterey County Mosquito Abatement was presented with Dorthy Giannini Presenters Award from the Monterey County Agricultural Education Inc. In April.**

An award was presented to the District at the Annual Farm Day luncheon for participating and having a booth at Farm Day events.

**7. MONTHLY OPERATIONS REPORT: Raul Vazquez, Mosquito Technician**

Mosquito Technician Vazquez presented the monthly report for Zone 1 (Elkhorn, Castroville, Prunedale, etc.) to the Board. Vazquez noted that tides have been minimal and smaller sources are drying up, but some of the larger ponds in Zone 1 still hold plenty of water. Last month saw a significant number of service requests, primarily from small backyard sources. Back fields are being addressed with the Argo vehicle.

Trustee Carbon asked Vazquez about the holding ponds in Carmel Valley, noting that residents have reported an increase in mosquito activity. Vazquez explained that it only takes one mosquito to lay 1,000 eggs. He suggested putting in a service call to investigate the issue.

**8. MONTHLY ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT: Ken Klemme, District Manager/Biologist**

Manager Klemme provided an update to the Board about the previous month. He mentioned that due to arm surgery, he has been working on a modified schedule but remains dedicated to his responsibilities. He highlighted the special board meeting held on April 30th, 2024, which an agreement was signed with the City of Seaside regarding the Re-development agency. Additionally, he noted that the contract for the annual auditing will expire on June 30th, 2024, and preparations are underway to address this. Trustee Amadeo suggested looking into other companies to make sure we are getting a fair price.

**9. TRUSTEE COMMENTS:**

- Trustee Cranford asked about the (LAFCO) nomination from the April Board Meeting, nobody had heard if the results were in or not.
- Trustee Tashiro informed the board that he will not be at the next board meeting.
- Trustee Amadeo announced that she has been nominated to join the Habitat for Humanity board for Monterey and Santa Cruz Counties. She is seeking introductions to larger companies to secure land donations and recruit volunteers.

**10. ADJOURNMENT:**

***With no further inquiries, Board Chair Cecilio adjourned the meeting at 12:27 PM to the next regularly scheduled meeting on June 11, 2024, at noon.***

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Jeff Cecilio, Board Chair

**ATTEST:**

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Nancy Amadeo, Secretary