

**San Gabriel Valley Mosquito & Vector Control District**  
**Board of Trustees Meeting**  
**September 9, 2016**  
**Minutes**

**Trustees Attending**

- 1 Stephen Sham (Alhambra)
- 2 Roger Chandler (Arcadia)
- 3 Joe Rocha (Azusa)
- 4 Rick Barakat (Bradbury)
- 5 Henry Morgan (Covina)
- 6 Corey Calaycay (Claremont)
- 7 Harold Bissner (Co. of LA)
- 8 Andre Quintero (El Monte)
- 9 Abraham Cruz (Industry)
- 10 Manuel Garcia (Irwindale)
- 11 Charles Myers (Glendora)
- 12 Dan Holloway (La Puente)
- 13 Joseph Leon (Monterey Park)
- 14 Elliott Rothman (Pomona)
- 15 Bill Alarcon (Rosemead)
- 16 Jeffrey Templeman (San Dimas)
- 17 Juli Costanzo (San Gabriel)
- 18 Janice Nelson (Sierra Madre)
- 19 Mary Su (Walnut)
- 20 Mike Spence (West Covina)

**Trustees Absent**

1. Margaret Finlay (Duarte)
2. Robert Neher (La Verne)
3. Dan Kirby (Monrovia)
4. Cynthia Sternquist (Temple City)

**Staff Attending**

- 1 Kenn Fujioka
2. Wakoli Wekesa
3. Rose Alba
4. Carol Anne Hagele
5. Esther Elliott
6. Ramona Deacon
7. Sam McKeever
8. Kim Nelson

**1. Call to Order**

President Bissner called the meeting to order at 7:00 am.

**2. Pledge of Allegiance and Silent Roll Call**

Scientific Program Manager Wakoli Wekesa led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**3. Opportunity for Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items**

None

**4. Consent Calendar**

A motion by Trustee Myers to approve the September 9, 2016 Consent Calendar as submitted was seconded and unanimously approved.

- A. List of Claims for August 2016
- B. Budget Status Report for August 2016
- C. Minutes of Board of Trustees Meeting August 2016
- D. Surveillance Report was distributed to the Board and staff.
- E. Operations Report
- F. Education Program

- G. **June 2016 Monthly Treasurer Report / District Working Balance for August 2016**
- H. **July 2016 Monthly Treasurer Report / District Working Balance for September 2016**
- I. **Abatement Update**

**5. Consider Approving the 2017 Cooperative Agreement with the State of California Health and Human Services, Department of Public Health**

A motion by Trustee Chandler to approve the 2017 Cooperative Agreement with the State of California Health and Human Services, Department of Public Health was seconded and unanimously approved.

**6. District Administration**

District Manager Kenn Fujioka filed applications with the Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) for City of Baldwin Park and the City of South Pasadena to annex into the District.

Kenn announced that Wakoli Wekesa and Trustee Myers will attend the Society for Vector Ecology Annual Conference (SOVE) September 11-15, 2016 in Anchorage Alaska.

Kenn plans to attend the City of Pasadena City Council meeting on Monday, September 19, 2016 to discuss annexing into the District.

Kenn will attend the October 2-4, 2016 Utah Mosquito Abatement Association 69<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference in Midway, Utah as a guest speaker.

On October 5-7, 2016 Kenn will attend the Northwest Mosquito and Vector Control Association Annual Meeting in Welches, Oregon as guest speaker.

**7. Disease Surveillance**

Scientific Programs Manager Wakoli Wekesa reported there is West Nile virus activity throughout the District and anticipates increased number of resident calls in the months of September and October.

Whenever surveillance data indicates it is necessary to schedule truck-mounted applications, residents in designated areas are notified in advance. On August 31<sup>st</sup> truck mounted treatments of adulticide and larvicide were conducted to reduce a persistently high count of adult *Aedes albopictus* in the City of El Monte.

In response to Trustees concerns about WNV and what precautions to take, Wakoli advised that at this stage of WNV transmission they need to pay attention to personal protection with the use of mosquito repellent and wearing protective clothing when outdoors. He urged them to inspect their property for standing water in pools and in yards as well as in containers, drains, bird baths, and tires, etc. and to make certain doors and windows are

screened.

Wakoli stated that the Asian tiger mosquito eggs are long-lived and stay dormant in containers and advised scrubbing containers before storing in a dry place. He also suggested emptying all water holding structures in yards. *Aedes* mosquitoes are found to aggregate in shaded areas of a yard where they will emerge to bite.

Wakoli reported that the District and other vector control agencies have been participating in developing the Los Angeles County Emergency Preparedness Response and Recovery Plan (EPRRP) in the event of locally acquired cases of Zika in L. A. County. The County Department of Public Health has nearly completed the Concepts of Operations (CONOPS) and Operational Plan.

Trustees Nelson commented that she has never seen mosquitoes so aggressive and wonders if mosquitoes are becoming resistant to DEET. Kenn advised that the higher the percentage of DEET the better.

President Bissner received a letter of resignation from Trustee Dan Kirby effective September 1, 2016.

Trustee Calaycay reported he saw a letter from the mayor of Claremont about receiving funds from the government to spray large areas for mosquitoes and asked if we should be aggressively lobbying in Sacramento.

Kenn reported that mosquito agencies have been lobbying Congress this year through L. A. County Acute Communicable Disease Center. Our portion of the Centers for Disease Control's Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity for Infectious Diseases (ELC) Cooperative Agreement grant money for purchase of lab equipment and outreach programs has been received. Currently Congress is deliberating on allocating funds for potential Zika outbreak.

## **8. Trustee Reports**

None

## **9. New Business**

Trustee Calaycay requested next month's agenda include an item to appoint a replacement for Dan Kirby.

## **10. Adjournment**

A motion by President Bissner to adjourn was seconded and unanimously approved. The meeting was adjourned at 7:20 a.m.