

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF
THE MACON MOSQUITO ABATEMENT DISTRICT
DECEMBER 13, 2018**

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Macon Mosquito Abatement District was called to order by Tom McQuiston on December 20, 2018, at the office of the Macon Mosquito Abatement District at 3755 Cundiff Road, Decatur, Illinois 62526. Trustees present were Dr. Robert Groesch, Carol Carlton, Tom McQuiston, Susan Kretsinger and Sue Phillips. Also present were Sam Force and Attorney Edward F. Flynn. Tom McQuiston presided over the meeting.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The Board then moved to elect officers for the 2018-2019 year. After discussion, a motion was made by Sue Phillips, seconded by Carol Carlton to nominate the following slate of officers:

President – Tom McQuiston

Vice President – Sue Phillips

Secretary – Carol Carlton

Treasurer – Dr. Robert Groesch

Following a discussion, the motion was unanimously approved.

A motion to approve the Minutes was made by Carol Carlton, seconded by Dr. Robert Groesch.

There was a motion made to approve the checks by Sue Phillips, seconded by Carol Carlton, and unanimously approved.

DURING OLD BUSINESS, The Board discussed the wages of Jason Probus; this was a review of his compensation from the spring wage discussion. Sam discussed the extra time and effort that Jason put forth on a weekly basis. Additionally, Sam explained that during the summer hours, Jason has worked numerous evenings totaling 52 hours of overtime which was not paid in light of Jason's management position. Jason has completed and received a certification for the MCE-VBD PHE; he is one of

only six (6) people in the Midwest to achieve public health entomology certification. Sam concluded by citing numerous other instances where Jason has proven to become an invaluable member of the Mosquito Abatement District.

Following Sam's review of Jason's performance, the Board openly discussed Jason's compensation. Following the discussion, a Motion was made by Sue Phillips, seconded by Dr. Robert Groesch to increase Jason's compensation to \$50,000.00 per year and unanimously approved.

DURING NEW BUSINESS, Sam discussed the need to purchase a new pick-up truck. Under the state bid, the only pick-up truck available that matched the desired criteria of the District were Ford pick-up trucks. Following a discussion regarding the state bid and Ford pick-up truck, a motion was made to authorize and direct Sam to purchase the 2019 Ford base model pick-up truck with additional options to include Blue Tooth capabilities, cruise control and a bed liner. The total price for the pick-up truck with preferred options is \$23,480.00. A motion was made by Sue Phillips and seconded by Carol Carlton to purchase the Ford pick-up truck for \$23,480.00 plus any additional costs associated with the acquisition of the pick-up truck.

DURING DIRECTOR'S COMMENTS, Sam discussed attending the Illinois Mosquito and Vector Control Association conference in Bloomington, Illinois. After listening to the presentations and discussing the matter with several Mosquito Abatement District, the Macon Mosquito Abatement District will look into changing their ramp test protocol. This will allow the District to get a more accurate test results.

DURING TRUSTEE COMMENTS, none.

DURING EXECUTIVE SESSION, none.

Subsequently, a motion was made by Carol Carlton, seconded by Dr. Robert Groesch and unanimously approved for adjournment.

Secretary