## Leavenworth Mosquito Control District Board Meeting (Chelan County M.C.D. #2)

The Leavenworth Mosquito Control District's 9<sup>th</sup> board meeting of 2024 was held on November 4<sup>th</sup> via Zoom. Attending were Board President Dayle Massey, members Denise Pinkham, Sharon Waters, Chris Parsons, Chester Marler, Manager Jennifer Mullins and district employee Matt Oaks. The meeting was called to order by the president at 7:01 pm.

The minutes of the October 7<sup>th</sup> 2024 meeting had been reviewed electronically by board members. Denise Pinkham moved the minutes be accepted; Christine Parsons seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Secretary Chester Marler reported on his interpretation of sections of RCW 42.30. as they pertain to the recent three-board member study session concerning current board secretary duties. Specifically, he referred to RCW 42.30.020 and its definitions of board "action" and "meeting." It is his view these definitions imply the study session was not a "meeting" and was not a violation of RCW 42.30. The board members in attendance agreed this appears a reasonable interpretation, although it was decided future study session dates should be posted on the district's website, to make clear the district's commitment to transparency.

Treasurer Denise Pinkham reported on a recent notice from Employment Security that 2025 premiums for the Paid Family Leave program will be increased.

President Dayle Massey asked board member Christine Parsons for her reaction to the recent NWMVCA meeting held in Leavenworth, which she attended. Christine was impressed by the amount of valuable information and insights offered at the conference, especially resources for public outreach and education, as well as new trapping equipment.

Program Manager Jennifer Mullins had earlier submitted her monthly report via email to board members, which this month was her detailed report concerning the NWNVCA meeting. This included (1) web-based resources for public education; (2) information on mosquito born diseases; (3) new methods for trapping adult mosquitos and (4) new trap designs. In addition, manager Mullins and board members concluded with a discussion of trapping techniques and overall strategy, especially for Culex mosquitos.

President Massey initiated a board discussion of budget issues in preparation for the upcoming budget meeting. Treasurer Denise Pinkham displayed details of the district's financial status and activity via screen sharing for review by board members. Denise estimated 2024 should end with a surplus of revenue over expenses of approximately \$12,000.00. A detailed discussion of financial strategies took place, including pay scales, various options for calculating cost of living adjustments as well as other pay adjustments, and the 2025 assessment level. Decisions on these issues will be made at the forthcoming budget meeting.

For the record on October 10<sup>th</sup> 2024, prior to the November 4<sup>th</sup> meeting, Treasurer Denise Pinkham submitted the following payable totaling \$4920.00 for individual board member approval: Snow Lakes LLC \$4920.00 (office space lease). Authorizing signatures were by Denise Pinkham, Christine Parsons and Chester Marler. Also on October 26<sup>th</sup> 2024, prior to the November 4<sup>th</sup> meeting, Treasurer Denise Pinkham submitted the following payables totaling \$958.00 for individual board member approval: Cashmere Valley Bank \$900. (credit card charges); Chester Marler \$58.00 (approved expenses). Authorizing signatures were by Denise Pinkham, Christine Parsons, Dayle Massey and Chester Marler. In addition, on October 28<sup>th</sup> 2024, prior to the November 4<sup>th</sup> meeting, Treasurer Denise Pinkham submitted the October payroll to individual board members for authorizing signatures. Signatures were by Denise Pinkham, Christine Parsons, Dayle Massey and Chester Marler \$2434.22.

The next district meeting, the official budget meeting for 2025 operations, will be November 18<sup>th</sup> 2024.

Denise Pinkham moved the meeting be adjourned; Sharon Waters seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 8:12 p m.

Approved:

Corrected: