

MINUTES OF THE 890th MEETING

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Orange County Mosquito and Vector Control District**

TIME: 3:00 P.M. April 15, 2021

PLACE: 13001 Garden Grove Blvd., Garden Grove, CA 92843
MEETING TOOK PLACE BY TELECONFERENCE

PRESIDENT:	Mike Posey	Huntington Beach
VICE-PRESIDENT:	James Gomez	La Habra
SECRETARY:	Peggy Huang	Yorba Linda

TRUSTEES PRESENT:

Aliso Viejo	Richard Hurt	Los Alamitos	Tanya Doby
Anaheim	Lucille Kring	Mission Viejo	Bob Ruesch
Brea	Cecilia Hupp	Newport Beach	Joy Brenner
Buena Park	Susan Sonne	Orange	Michael Alvarez
Costa Mesa	Bill Turpit	Placentia	Craig Green
Cypress	Jon Peat	Rancho Santa Margarita	April Josephson
Dana Point	Rick Viczorek	San Clemente	Jim Dahl
Fountain Valley	Cheryl Brothers	San Juan Capistrano	John Taylor
Garden Grove	Stephanie Klopfenstein	Santa Ana	Cecilia Aguinaga
Huntington Beach	Mike Posey	Seal Beach	Sandra Massa-Lavitt
Irvine	Tammy Kim	Stanton	Gary Taylor
La Habra	James Gomez	Tustin	Rebecca Gomez
La Palma	Nitesh Patel	Villa Park	Crystal Miles
Laguna Beach	Sue Kempf	Westminster	Chi Charlie Nguyen
Laguna Hills	Erica Pezold	Yorba Linda	Peggy Huang
Laguna Woods	Shari Horne		

TRUSTEES ABSENT:

Fullerton	Nicholas Dunlap	Lake Forest	Vladimir Anderson
Laguna Niguel	Rishi Paul Sharma	County of Orange	Elizabeth Guillen-Merchant

*Trustee Guillen-Merchant had an excused absence

OTHERS PRESENT:

Rick Howard, District Manager
Amber Semrow, Director of Scientific Technical Services
Steve Shepherd, Director of Operations
Tawnia Pett, Executive Assistant/Clerk of the Board
Heather Hyland, Public Information Officer
Alan Burns, District Counsel

A. Opening:

1. **Call the Business Meeting to Order:** President Posey called the meeting to order at 3:03 P.M.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance:** President Posey asked Trustee Peat to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. **Roll Call:** Roll call indicated 31 Trustees were present out of the current Board membership of 35.
4. **Late/Other Communications:**
Late Communications: Exhibit B of Agenda Item E.5

Other Communications: None

B. Public Comments: None**C. Presentations:**

1. District Staff gave a presentation entitled "Take Action! District 2021 Outreach Campaign"

D. OCMVCD Committee Reports to the Board of Trustees:

1. Budget and Finance Committee Meeting: Committee Chair Miles reported staff presented a summary of the proposed fund balance and staff proposed no changes to the benefit assessments. Budget presentation meetings will be May 5 and 6, 2021.
2. Policy and Personnel Committee: Committee Chair Aguinaga reported the Director of Scientific Technical Services presented a proposed staffing plan that adds one full time position for the coming fiscal year, an Assistant Vector Ecologist. The committee unanimously recommended continuing the process for adding this position to the budget.

E. Consent Calendar: Items for Approval by General Consent

On motion from Trustee Brothers, seconded by Trustee Kring, and passed by unanimous vote, the Board of Trustees approved Consent Calendar Items E.2 through E.5. Trustee Hurt asked that Agenda Item E.1 be pulled for discussion. Trustee Hurt asked that his Absent vote on agenda item F.2 be changed to an Aye vote. He was at the virtual closed session but was unable to unmute himself to vote. Agenda Item E.1 was passed, as amended, by majority vote due to absences at the previous Board Meeting (Abstained: Trustees Kim and Patel).

Ayes: Trustees Hurt, Kring, Hupp, Sonne, Turpit, Peat, Brothers, Klopfenstein, Posey, Kim, J. Gomez, Patel, Kempf, Pezold, Horne, Doby, Ruesch, Brenner, Alvarez, Green, Josephson, Dahl, J. Taylor, Aguinaga, Massa-Lavitt, G. Taylor, R. Gomez, Miles, Nguyen, and Huang.

Noes: None.

Abstained: None.

Absent: Trustees Viczorek, Dunlap, Sharma, Anderson, and Guillen-Merchant.

1. **Approval of Minutes:** Approved, as amended, without reading, the Minutes of the 889th Meeting of the Board of Trustees held March 18, 2021.
2. **Approved Warrant Register for February 2021: (Exhibit A)** Received and filed.
3. **Approved Monthly Financial Report for February 2021: (Exhibit A)** Received and filed.

4. **Adopted Resolution No. 508 to direct the preparation of the Engineer's report for Fiscal Year 2021-22 for the Orange County Mosquito and Vector Control District, Vector Surveillance and Control Assessment District (District No. 1) and the Mosquito, Fire Ant and Disease Control Assessment (District No. 2): (Exhibit A)**
5. **Approved Contract with TeamBuilders Inc DBA Aerial Services for Annual Aerial Pool Surveillance: (Exhibit A, B)**

F. **Business and Action Items:**

1. Discuss 1821 E. Dyer Road, Santa Ana, CA 92705 facility as a suitable District facility for District relocation. **This item was skipped and the board moved directly into closed session**
2. CLOSED SESSION: Under Government Code 54956.8 the board moved into closed session at 3:42 PM to discuss real property at 1821 East Dyer Road, Santa Ana, CA
Agency negotiator: Richard Howard, District Manager, Alan Burns, District Counsel, and Wil Soholt, Kosmont Companies
Negotiating parties: MMACS LLC; SMM LLC, Represented by Owner Representatives JLL
Under negotiation: Price and terms of payment
3. OPEN SESSION: Open session resumed at 4:01 PM. District Counsel Burns reported that, by unanimous vote, the board of trustees voted to terminate negotiations.

Ayes: Trustees Hurt, Kring, Hupp, Sonne, Turpit, Peat, Viczorek, Brothers, Klopfenstein, Posey, Kim, J. Gomez, Patel, Kempf, Pezold, Horne, Doby, Ruesch, Brenner, Alvarez, Green, Josephson, Dahl, J. Taylor, Aguinaga, Massa-Lavitt, G. Taylor, R. Gomez, Miles, Nguyen, and Huang.

Noes: None.

Abstained: None.

Absent: Trustees Dunlap, Sharma, Anderson, and Guillen-Merchant.

G. **Informational Items Only (NO ACTION NECESSARY):**

1. **Staff Presentation:** Director of Scientific Technical Services Semrow gave an update on vector activity in Orange County.
2. **Staff Presentation:** Public Information Officer Hyland gave an update on outreach activity in Orange County.
3. **Budget Presentation Special Meetings May 5 and 6, 2021:** Received and filed.
4. **Laboratory Reports- included in agenda packet:** Received and filed.

H. **President's Report and Trustee Comments:**

1. Trustees Turpit asked that all future potential district sites have a one-page fact sheet made up.

I. **District Manager's Report:** District Manager Howard reported:

1. Four OCMVCD staff had babies in the month of April.
2. Director of Operations Shepherd gave a report on operations activity in Orange County.

J. **District Legal Counsel Report:** District Counsel Burns reported:

1. The District received a letter purportedly from Orange County Mosquito and Vector Control District employees complaining about the perspective move to the Dyer property and about the District Manager. A memo was sent to all of the trustees before the board meeting. The District Manager responded to the allegations and that was included in the memo from District Counsel. Counsel will be in contact with the Board President about an Executive Committee meeting or a full Board Meeting about the subject.

K. **Correspondence:**

1. Staff reports from conferences attended in February 2021.

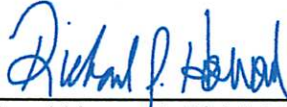
L. **Future Agenda Items:**

1. Sterile Medfly Program (SIT) technique

M. **Adjournment:**

1. President Posey adjourned the meeting at 4:36 p.m. to the next regularly scheduled meeting on Thursday, May 20, 2021.

I certify that the above minutes substantially reflect the actions taken by the Board of Trustees at its meeting held April 15, 2021.



Richard Howard, District Manager

Approved as written and/or corrected by the Board of Trustees at its 891st
Eight Hundred and Ninety-first meeting held May 20, 2021

ATTEST:



Peggy Huang, Secretary