

## **Cache Mosquito Abatement District Board of Trustees**

The Cache Mosquito Abatement District (CMAD) Board of Trustees met for a regular meeting on Tuesday, December 9, 2008, in the Bear River Environmental Health Department conference room (85 E 1800 N, North Logan). Representatives from ten municipalities and the county unincorporated area were present:

Dave Wood, Amalga

Ed Rigby, Wellsville

Jeff Ricks, unincorporated

Elaine Nelson, North Logan

Mike Carlson, Mendon

Robert Mather, Smithfield

Darwin Pitcher, Lewiston

Tom LaBau, Hyrum

Dave Gatherum, Hyde Park *left 7:37 pm*

Karen Blotter, Millville

Deon Johnson, Providence

Excused: Scott Larsen, Nibley; Leslie Erickson, Richmond; Perry Spackman, Trenton; and Richard Rigby, Newton. Absent: Boyd Pugmire, Clarkston; Nick Murphy, Cornish.

Also in attendance were Grant Koford and Chris Nelson, BRHD (Bear River Health District); and Kyle Baird, Logan Mosquito Abatement.

The public hearing for the proposed 2009 budget was called to order by vice-chairman Darwin Pitcher at 7:00 pm. Ed presented the budget and explained the line items. There being no comment from the public, Tom moved and Deon seconded that the public hearing be closed. Motion passed unanimously.

The meeting was called to order by vice-chairman Darwin Pitcher at 7:13 pm.

### **MINUTES**

The minutes of the November 11, 2008, meeting were reviewed. The corrections to the proposed 2009 budget were made (total estimated revenue: \$233,000; contingency fund of \$6300 moved to capital improvements transfer).

Elaine moved, and Ed seconded, that the minutes as corrected be approved. Motion passed unanimously with Tom abstaining.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Kyle Baird from the Logan City Environmental Department introduced himself. He is in charge of the mosquito abatement program for the city and expressed his desire to continue working closely with CMAD and BRHD.

### **FY2009 BUDGET**

Grant presented the revised proposed contract from BRHD for services in 2009. As requested, it came in just under \$187,000 (see attached). There is a substantial savings in salary costs due to combining the manager and supervisor positions. Grant will serve as the liaison and coordinate

budget matters and surveillance; Chris will be the manager. There will be four larvaciders hired with one person appointed the foreman/field supervisor. Chris will not larvacide. Three foggers will be run with the fourth held in reserve to hit hot spots or as needed for special requests. Areas will be fogged once per week, but the benches will only be treated when requested. There will be two surveillance technicians.

In the 2008 contract hours for larvaciding were projected to be 1920 but actually came to 1653. For fogging, projected hours were 1600 but actual hours were 1213 (this included time spent mixing the chemical, maintenance, and driving to/from the treatment areas). For surveillance, though, actual hours were 290 over the projected amount. However, fuel costs and repairs pretty much balance out the reduced abatement hours.

The biggest increase in the 2009 contract is due to the cost of malathion. It increased from \$1600 to over \$2300 per barrel. Chris said that despite falling oil prices, malathion cost has not gone down. However, the bids just went in and will be released next month; the cost could be lower than anticipated. The amount of Abate and BVA oil were also increased since BRHD ran out of them last year.

Surveillance costs are pretty much unknown because the state still doesn't know if funds will be available for the West Nile Virus (WNV) testing costs. Increases in Office/Lab/Field are due to increased insurance costs. The proposed capital expenditures are for a boat motor and trailer. Ed asked about deferring the purchase of motor and trailer and using the money for fogging. Grant replied that it really wouldn't have much of an impact.

Tom moved, and Elaine seconded, to adopt Resolution 2008-1 (2009 fiscal year budget of \$203,600); motion passed unanimously.

Jeff asked if the budget committee had discussed increasing the wages for the clerk/PIO (public information officer). He would like the board to discuss this in January. Others concurred. Also on the agenda in January will be election of officers.

## **BILLS**

The following bills were presented. Robert moved and Tom seconded that the bills be paid; motion passed unanimously.

Terrie's wages	\$	175.00
Herald Journal notice		47.78
T-Mobile		34.42
BRHD 2008 contract		\$168,875.00

## **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Elaine moved and Ed seconded that the meeting be adjourned. Motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 pm.

Submitted by: /s/ Terrie L. Wierenga, clerk

Date: 1/22/09