

Minutes of Board Meeting
Pasco County Mosquito Control District
2308 Marathon Road, Odessa, FL 33556
April 11, 2023

Regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners was called to order at the district office on April 11, 2023, at 9:01 a.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Those present from the District were Chairperson Cox, Treasurer Abbott, Secretary Evans, Executive Director Rogers, Agne Prasauskas, Michele Donagrandi, and Nick McFaul. Lina Castro and Andrew Pupke from InVision Advisors were also present.

Approval of Agenda: Commissioner Evans motioned to approve the agenda; Commissioner Abbott seconded – All approved.

Approval of Consent Agenda: Commissioner Evans motioned to approve the consent agenda – All approved.

Public Comment: None

New Business:

- A. Executive Director Rogers reminded the Board that previous discussions approved moving forward with investing \$4mm in District funds into the FL Prime Investment Account. She presented the enrollment application to the Board for certification, a resolution for the Chairman to sign and notarize. Commissioner Cox commented, as a reminder, that this would be a short term investment that will fluctuate based on current yield. Executive Director Rogers reviewed the current yields to inform the Board and Commissioner Cox stated that liquidity is relatively fast, within just a few days. Commissioner Cox then made a motion to approve the resolution to certify the investment enrollment documents. – All approved.

Unfinished Business:

Director's Report:

- A. Campus Update: Lina Castro presented an update on the campus design, the progression of events, and associated timeline. There was some discussion on the contractor bidding process to iron out details followed by Commissioner Cox's statement that we must hire a qualified contractor to do the job based on qualifications. Commissioner Abbott asked if we should consider putting a penalty clause in the contractual documents for the contractor to address concerns over labor shortages that the construction market is currently facing. Andrew Pupke with InVision Advisors stated we could look at putting that in the contract. He then proceeded to explain that the Pasco County BOCC has been helpful in the process of locating the force water main for the property. Commissioner Cox inquired if there is reclaimed water in the vicinity and Commissioner Evans asked if there was natural gas in the area. InVision Advisors was tasked with researching this. Commissioner Abbott asked about the potential to use waste material generated from the incinerator as road-base material. Executive Director Rogers stated that early discussions with Spring Engineering, Inc. did, in fact, include this as a potential option to investigate. Commissioner Abbott proposed for discussion that instead of stationary generators, the District consider generators on wheels and look into leasing options. Executive Director Rogers asked for clarification on the car wash stations which was followed by discussion. Finding a company to quote the brush hogging of the new site has been problematic and discussion on this ensued.

General Information:

- A. District Operations: Executive Director Rogers provided an update on the status of District administration and current operations. She informed the Board of recently hired employees and outreach events and provided an update on the OPPAGA review for Special District accountability. Executive Director Rogers also discussed concerns over cybersecurity and discussed options for decreasing vulnerability to the District, that resulted from cooperative relationships with various sister agencies within Pasco County. She informed the Board that due to some resolution with legislation regarding the use of UAS/drones for mosquito surveillance and control, the District can now move forward with plans to conduct contracted drone

applications as a supplement to the existing mitigation efforts. And lastly, she reported on the 2023 Open House and Citizen Appreciation event preparation and annual calibration.

- B. Safety Reports: Executive Director Rogers informed the Board of safety issues within the last month and training that has occurred since the last meeting.
- C. Arbovirus Report: Research and Surveillance Director Prasauskas provided an update on the arboviral activity throughout the state and within Pasco County.

Good of the Order:

- A. Commissioner Evans brought up a concern over safety at District Board meetings. The Board determined that an officer from the Sheriff's Office would be stationed outside on Board meeting days and tasked Executive Director Rogers with getting this accomplished.

Meeting Adjourned:

Commissioner Cox made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:08 a.m. Meeting Adjourned.

Date: 5/9/2023 Attested: 