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Minutes of Regular Board Meeting April 21, 2026

1. **Call Meeting to Order** - Chairman Cox called the Pasco County Mosquito Control District Board meeting to order at 9:00 A.M.

2. **Pledge of Allegiance** - Commissioner Abbott led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

3. **Roll Call**

Chairman Cox called the roll. Chairman Cox, Secretary Evans, and Treasurer Abbott were present.

District Staff: Executive Director Rogers, Nick McFaul, Jose Freundt, Maria Johnson, Agne Prasauskas, Walter Michalski, and Wayne Daniels.

Additional attendees: Deanna Bornstein (Enterprise), Sheldon Brown (Enterprise), Laura Donaldson (District Counsel via Teams), and Pasco County Sheriff Deputy.

4. **Approval of Agenda**- Commissioner Abbott motioned to approve the agenda; all approved, motion carried.

5. **Consent Agenda** - Commissioner Abbott motioned to approve the agenda; all approved, motion carried.

6. **Public Comment** – There were no public comments.

7. **New Business**

A. **Employee of the Quarter Award Presentation**

Walter Michalski was recognized as the Employee of the Quarter for Quarter 1 of 2026 for his leadership, initiative, and dedication to improving District operations and facilities. His work included repurposing underutilized spaces, improving organization of facilities, and developing Smart Sheet tools for inventory and vehicle tracking. Commissioners commended Mr. Michalski for his contributions and improvements to the District's operational efficiency and facilities.

8. **Unfinished Business**

A. **Fleet Management Discussion**

The Board discussed options for vehicle acquisition and replacement, including:

- Financing through South State Bank
- Leasing through Enterprise Fleet Management
- Direct vehicle purchases using District reserves

Staff and Commissioners reviewed:

- Financing costs and legal requirements associated with public entity borrowing
- Enterprise Fleet Management's lease proposal and projected long-term savings
- Current vehicle replacement practices and safety considerations
- Vehicle resale values and surplus procedures
- Operational impacts of replacing specialized vehicles

Staff recommended purchasing nine vehicles using available capital funds, developing a vehicle replacement policy for future Board consideration, and establishing dedicated budget tracking for future vehicle replacement funding from surplus sales.

Commissioner Evans motioned to approve staff's recommendation; all approved, motion carried.

Staff's Action Items:

- *Purchase nine vehicles using available capital funds;*
- *Direct staff to develop a vehicle replacement policy for future Board consideration;*
- *Establish dedicated budget tracking for future vehicle replacement funding utilizing surplus sales.*

9. General Information

A. Director's Report and District Operations, A. Rogers

Executive Director Rogers presented a summary of some of the District's operational activities for the month of March, 2026.

- **Service Requests:** Requests for services remained slightly below 2025 levels for the month
- **Public Records Requests:** 49 requests have been received, year-to-date
- **Waste Tire Collection:** Collected over 6,000 tires fiscal year-to-date, totaling more than 180,000 pounds of waste tires. Staff discussed grant reimbursement opportunities through the Florida Department of Environmental Protection for tire amnesty events.
- **Mosquito Surveillance:** Data and heat maps for March 2026 were presented and compared to prior-year data.
- **New Employees:**
 - Brook Lambert – Research & Surveillance Technician
 - Thomas Kinsella – Part-Time Surveillance Technician
 - Ben Bilbro – Mosquito Technician
 - Brody Paneson – Mosquito Technician
- **Employee Service Anniversaries:**
 - Brett Hicks – 19 years
 - Dale Krammers – 8 years
 - Additional staff members celebrating 1–4 years of service

- **2026 Tampa Bay Top Workplaces Recognition** - The District was recognized as a 2026 Tampa Bay Top Workplace, ranking 20th among small to medium-sized organizations. The recognition was based entirely on employee survey feedback with an 82% participation rate.
- **75th Anniversary Celebration** - Updates regarding the District's upcoming 75th Anniversary Celebration and ribbon-cutting event in partnership with local chambers of commerce were provided. Commissioners were encouraged to invite community members and share historical photos or relevant information.
- **Online Public Participation** - Development of procedures for online public participation in Board meetings has been delayed due to recent technology disruptions caused by a lightning strike and staff duty prioritization.
- **Budget Preparation** - Staff advised the Board that the first draft of the FY 2026–2027 budget will be presented at the May Board meeting. The report will include budget year-to-date expenditures. Executive Director Rogers noted that District expenses are not linear throughout each fiscal year, nor consistent month-to-month. Current expenditures are expected to increase with the start of the peak operational season. Commissioner Abbott questioned the budget for OPEB (Other Post Employment Benefits).

Staff's Action Item: Jose Freundt, Director of Finance, to report back to the Board the specific budgeted amount for OPEB.

- **Architectural Services, RFP NO. 2526-003 Update:**
 - 17 firms requested solicitation packages for architectural services;
 - Four firms attended the preliminary site visit;
 - Proposals are due May 5, 2026;
 - Selection committee review is scheduled for May 28, 2026.
- **Florida Association of Special Districts (FASD)** - Executive Director Rogers requested designation of Sherry Burroughs, Director of Administration & Government Affairs, as the District's voting representative for FASD. No objections were raised.
- **Helicopter Maintenance Update** - Staff reported progress on major inspections and maintenance for District helicopters.
- **Treatment Drone Update** - The District's treatment drone has received FAA and FDACS approval and registrations. Staff training and trailer upfitting are underway prior to operational deployment.

B. Community Outreach and Education Report, M. Johnson

Maria Johnson presented outreach activities completed since the March Board of Commissioner's meeting, including:

- Florida Mosquito Control Awareness Week activities;
- Tire amnesty event results;
- School education programs;
- Community presentations and outreach events;

- Participation in the American Mosquito Control Association Conference;
- Citizens Academy tours;
- Pasco One Health Alliance meeting activities.

She highlighted the success of the tire amnesty program, which collected approximately 5,270 tires during the event week.

C. Safety Report, N. McFaul

Director of Operations, Nick McFaul reported one minor vehicle incident involving no injuries or damages. Additionally, 20 employees completed annual spill response training.

D. Arbovirus Report, A. Prasauskas

Director of Research and Surveillance Director Prasauskas reported on current arboviral activity in Florida and provided detailed updates on the District’s operational research and surveillance activities:

- Statewide arbovirus activity including West Nile Virus, Eastern Equine Encephalitis, dengue, chikungunya, and malaria cases;
- No significant local Pasco County activity at this time;
- Miami-Dade County remains under a mosquito-borne illness alert.

<https://www.floridahealth.gov/statistics-data/population-surveillance/arbovirus-surveillance/>

Arbovirus	Florida - 2026	Pasco County - 2026
West Nile Virus	7 sentinel chickens	n/a
St Louis Encephalitis	n/a	n/a
Eastern Equine Encephalitis	5 sentinel chickens	n/a
Dengue	27 travel-associated dengue cases	n/a
Chikungunya	32 travel- associated -0 local case	n/a
Oropouche	n/a	n/a
Malaria	10 travel-associated	n/a

10. Good of the Order

- Commissioner Evans congratulated Mrs. Rogers and the staff for the 2026 Top Workplaces in Tampa Bay award.
- Commissioner Abbott inquired about the result of the multi-day FDACS audit resulting from a resident complaint of truck-based applications conducted in 2024.

Staff’s Action Item: Staff will follow up with FDACS to inquire on the findings of their investigation.

- Commissioner Abbott reported new real estate development activity near District property;
- Commissioner Abbott inquired about the status of escrow receipt relating to District property transaction;

Staff's Action Item: Staff will coordinate with the buyer's attorney to get an escrow receipt.

- Executive Director Rogers stated that the bill for sub-districting and Board term limits has been submitted to the Governor for approval.

Staff's Action Item: Staff will place the new District map on the website upon approval of the bill by the Governor.

- Chairman Cox discussed Rotary and their involvement in malaria eradication efforts and the acknowledged the great work staff is doing.

11. Upcoming Meetings and Events

A. Regular Board of Commissioners' Meetings (9:00 AM unless otherwise noted)

- May 20, 2026 – Monthly Meeting
- June 16, 2026 - Monthly Meeting
- July 21, 2026 – Monthly Meeting

B. Events

- April 29 – Florida Air Operations Fly-In, Department of Emergency Management
- May 13 – PCMCD's 75th Anniversary Celebration
- May 14-15 – Florida Chamber Leadership Conference

12. Meeting Adjournment - With no further business, Commissioner Evans motioned to adjourn; all approved, motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 11:19 a.m.

Date: 5/20/2026

Attested: 