

BLSG Board—Minutes 11/3/2016

Present: Pete Hare, John Haverstock, Ben Lawton, Wayne Rausenberger, Jeff Smith, Jeff Whiting and Will Mathis (Operations Coordinator)

Ben Lawton called meeting to order at 7:08 p.m.

1. Minutes from October 6, 2016 were approved (Moved by Jeff W., 2nd by Wayne R.)
2. Treasurer's Report:
 - General checking balance--\$59,208
 - Equipment Replacement and Capital improvements Acct. balance--\$9,761
 - We expect \$27,455 to come in before Dec. 31 from State Grant reimbursement, town of Brandon, and town of Salisbury
 - We anticipate close to \$2,000 in expenses by December 31.
 - Report approved (moved by Pete H., 2nd by John H.)
3. Operations—Will Mathis
 - Will finished counting and identifying mosquitos trapped during the summer. His report is forthcoming.
 - Will is consolidating the hand written reports from applicators from the summer.
 - Equipment updates—the freezer has been unplugged, we have a dead battery in one of the trucks.
4. Pollinator Protection Plan—The subcommittee will schedule a meeting time shortly. This subcommittee will report back to the BLSG board on February 11.
5. Ben L. reports that the Pollutant Discharge Elimination permit is due to renew in 2017.
6. Ben reviewed the meeting with Tim Schmaltz to review the 2017 Draft Larvicide Grant. They have proposed to reimburse up to \$70,000 in expenses for the Larval Control program. The language of the grant is being reviewed. All 2016 invoices for the grant have been paid by the State.
7. Jeff Whiting proposed adjustments to the formula BLSG uses to request monies from the member towns. All agreed that his proposal, which recommended modest changes reflecting a variety of demographic changes, was very well thought out. Motion to accept the new formula passed (moved by Pete H., 2nd by John H.)
8. 2017 Budget-Wayne walked us through the proposed budget for 2017. After making a couple of adjustments, we passed the budget (moved by Pete H., 2nd by Jeff W.).
9. The following were elected as officers of the BLSG for 2017:

President- Ben Lawton

Vice President- Jeff Whiting
Treasurer- Wayne Rausenberger
Secretary- Pete Hare

Ben L called meeting adjourned at 8:34 p.m.
Respectfully submitted,

Pete Hare, Secretary