

BLSG Minutes, May 18, 2017

Present: Board: Ben Lawton, Jeff Smith Steve Kellogg, Wayne Rausenberger, Kit Shaw, and Jeff Whiting; Coordinator: Will Mathis; Guests: none

1. Meeting was called to order by Ben Lawton at 7:08 PM. Jeff Whiting was asked to take minutes.
2. April 20, 2017 minutes were approved
3. Treasurer's Report—Wayne
 1. Equipment replacement and capital fund: \$5,791.75
 2. Checking: \$54,785.45
 3. Aerial treatment bill of \$37,324 was paid using line of credit. Bill is being submitted to State for reimbursement under Larvicide Grant. A replacement order for larvicide chemicals is being placed which will also be reimbursable.
 4. Wayne estimates we will be over the grant total for the year ending 6/10/17. He discussed with Tim Schmoltz when he came down to observe the treatment. Tim assured Wayne this will be covered by the grant. This will not be a problem.
 5. Wayne is renewing the annual insurance policies which expire in June. He will be sure Pittsford is included as a named insured. The liability limits will remain \$1M with \$2M aggregate. Moved Lawton, second Smith Approved with Kellogg abstaining. Wayne was directed to maintain the current limits on the D&O policy and consult with Paul Gladding on pricing higher limits.
 6. Moved Whiting, second Smith to approve Treasurers Report. Approved.
4. Coordinator's Report—Will Mathis
 1. Will reports that larvae continue to emerge in many areas and that over 2600 acres in Pittsford, Brandon and Leicester were treated with Larvicide by JBI Helicopter Service. Tim Schmoltz from Ag and a person from NRCS observed the aerial treatment. Sampling and hand larval treatments continue. Will showed the package of documentation required to get approval to aerial treat.
 2. Adulticide treatments are being made nightly. All areas are reporting numerous adult mosquitos in the valley and Goshen is starting to see the first ones
 3. No Spray areas have been marked and follow ups are being made with property owners who have requested no spray in the past but have not yet been heard from.
 4. Calibrations on all sprayers are complete and were witnessed by Dominique as requested by him.
 5. Ben will contact NRCS to get the remaining compatible use requests needed.

6. The new laptop was received and is set up.
 7. A 3 Ton car jack was donated by Alan Leavitt. A motion of thanks was passed and Pete Hare will be requested to send him a Thank You letter.
 8. Will was directed to purchase hip boots for the people who are in the swamps doing sampling. These will be district property.
5. Update—Pesticide General Permit
- Jeff Whiting contacted Misha Cetner from ANR for a status update. He has compiled the responses to the comments he received and will meet with the ANR Deputy Counsel next week to review. Jeff anticipates we will continue under the old permit until the new permit regulations are finalized later this summer once that happens we will need to apply for a new permit and go through the public notice process.
6. AMCA's best practices for Integrated Pest Management (IPM) Ben distributed to the Board and asked that everyone read. Jeff suggested everyone also read the PGP General Draft permit.
 7. Pollinator protection program, Wayne will work with Fred Putnam to complete the protocol.

Adjourned at 7:45 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Jeff Whiting
Acting Secretary