

BLSG Board Minutes--May 5, 2016

Present: Peter Hare, Ben Lawton, Wayne Rausenberger, Jeff Smith, Jeff Whiting

Coordinators: Will Mathis, Mort Pierpont

Ben Lawton called meeting to order at 7:15

1. Ben opened the meeting by reading an article from National Geographic describing the danger of mosquitos, carriers of some of humanities deadliest illnesses, as "public enemy number one in the fight against global infectious disease." See article attached.

2. Minutes from April 7, 2016 meeting approved (moved: Jeff Smith; 2nd: Jeff Whiting)

3. Treasures Report--Wayne

- Checking acct. has balance of \$52,479.91
- Equipment replacement and capital improvement checking has balance of \$4,900.54
- Wayne has consulted with Orwell Bank about financing the purchase of the Argo. Motion passed to authorize Wayne Rausenberger to borrow up to \$40,000 on the line of credit or through an extension of our existing mortgage in order to pay for the Argo within 10 days of its delivery. Motion passed (Moved by Ben; 2nd by Jeff Whiting)
- Wayne is working with Holden Insurance to get new liability and directors and officers policies. Motion passed to authorize Wayne to increase limits and purchase new liability and D&O policies. (Moved by Ben; 2nd: Pete)
- Annual premium on physical damage to the Argo is \$542 annually. This will be added to the BLSG property policy.
- Wayne received request for workers' comp policy.
- Motion to pass the Treasurer report passed) moved by Jeff Whiting; 2nd: Pete).

4. Argo update from Ben:

- We will get a bench seat
- Ben has drafted a purchase order
- Ben thanked LDFLA and Keewaydin for each contributing \$3,000 towards the purchase of the Argo

5. Grant Reporting requirements

- BLSG needs to submit the annual comprehensive survey and a valuation of MCD survey control activities for the years 2013-1015 to Tim Schmaltz of the Ag Dept.
- Motion passed to authorize Will Mathis to spend \$2,500 on a microscope for BLSG (75% of which will be reimbursed by the state). (Moved by Pete; 2nd: Jeff Whiting)

6. Pittsford's request to join the BLSG

- We will meet on Thursday, May 12 at 7:00 p.m. to vote on Pittsford's inclusion in the BLSG Insect Control District
- Ben announced that John Haverstock, Pittsford Town Manager, sent a letter to James Eikenberry, wetlands specialist from USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service, requesting landowner permission to perform mosquito larvae sampling and larvicide application on state-owned or managed and federally-owned or managed land in Pittsford/Florence.

7. Adulicide Report- Mort Pierpont

- Mort and Will will work together to submit report to the state.
- Various equipment repairs are being addressed
- Four sprayers will be calibrated on Tuesday, 5/10
- We have plenty adulticide product

8. Larvicide Report- Will Mathis

- We have 2 pallets of larvicide on order
- We have only done minimal larvae testing because of the low levels of flood plains.

Moved into executive session --section 313 (1)(B) labor relations and agreements with employees--at 9:00 p.m.

We moved out of executive session at 9:42--no decisions made as a result of executive session.

We agreed to meet on Thursday, 5/12 at 7:00 p.m.

Motion to adjourn by Ben, 2nd by Jeff Whiting passed. Adjourned at 9:45.

Respectfully Submitted,

Peter Hare, Secretary