

## **BLSG Mosquito Control Board—Minutes 5/7/15**

Attending: Ben Lawton, Steve Kellogg, Will Mathis, Wayne Rausenberger, Mort Pierpont, Dave Bishop, and Pete Hare

Guests: Jim Ellefson and Leslie Wright

Ben Lawton called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.

1. Treasurer's Report (Wayne Rausenberger)
  - Presented up-to-date budget numbers
  - Orwell bank has reapproved line of credit
  - Purchased new battery
  - We can use larvicide in Pittsford w/out any impact on our insurance
  - Will get a refund from workers comp after audit
  - Wayne has shopped our insurance
  - Waiting for bill from newspaper for public announcement
  - Motion: Drivers must be approved by our insurance company.  
Moved: Steve Kellogg, Second: Wayne. Motion passed
  - Report approved. Moved: Steve, Second: Dave
  
2. Larvicide Report—Will Mathis
  - Maps and larvicide reports have been submitted
  - Alan Graham, State Entomologist, has requested to edit the larval data count sheet
  - Will has hand treated several areas
  - Will applied some adulticide behind Lawes Ag.
  - Mort suggests that Will ask state to put in writing where it is OK to treat
  - Ben will call Tim for more BTI
  
3. Adulticide: Mort Pierpont
  - Only one application needed so far (behind Lawes Ag)
  - We have ample product to start, but Mort has ordered more
  - Mort reported a few repairs needed on our vehicles, which he will address
  - We need a new truck
  
4. Pittsford Request
  - Pittsford has requested that BLSG do a survey of their area
  - Pittsford would pay
  - Motion: Ben and Wayne will discuss with Pittsford. Moved: Dave, Seconded: Steve. Motion approved
  
5. Ben reported on his meeting with Alan Graham and Tim Schmolz

- Discussed various larvicides and adulticides—what we can use or what we can't use
  - We may be able to increase the acreage we treat to 5000
  - Larval dip count may be lowered to 10
  - IPM (Integrated Pest Management) - want river flood data
  - Discussed merits of an ARGO vehicle—cost is approx. \$28,000. Ben has contacted a county in CA which uses one. Ben is hopeful the state will contribute.
6. Questions from guests, Jim Ellefson and Leslie Wright
- Leslie voiced concerns about the application of adulticides, particularly malathion
  - Ben and Mort assured Leslie and Jim that all larvicides and adulticides are applied strictly in accordance with the printed instructions for each product
  - Leslie asked the Board to consider changing from an “opt out” policy to an “opt in.”
  - Ben pointed out to Leslie that some of her concerns might be better brought to the town boards.
7. We went in Executive Session at 9:01 and came out of Executive Session at 10:04
8. Motion to redraft BLSG Structures, BLSG Director of Larvicide, and BLSG Director of Adulticide. Moved by: Dave; Seconded by Wayne. Motion passed
9. Motion to authorize the ERC (consisting of Steve and Dave) to meet with the Coordinators. Moved by Pete; Seconded by Wayne. Motion passed

Motion to adjourn at 10:36 by Wayne, seconded by Dave. Motion passed.

Respectfully Submitted,

Pete Hare  
5/10/15