January 15th, 2018

The Regularly Scheduled Meeting of the Board of Commissioners for Beach Mosquito Control District was called to order by Chairman Couch at 5:00 P.M. on January 15th, 2018. Couch requested that the roll be recorded, and noted that all commissioners, Director Clauson and Laurell Young were present.

Approval of Minutes

Secretary Dean confirmed that everyone had received and reviewed the minutes from the December 11th, 2017 Board Meeting; and asked if there were any changes. Hearing none, she made a motion that the minutes be approved as submitted; Caldwell seconded, and the motion carried without dissent.

Financial Reports

Treasurer Caldwell referenced the financial reports and noted that we had received a total of \$2,325,062.54 since the last meeting; \$2,323,864.60 of which was from tax distributions and is approximately two-thirds of our expected tax distributions for FY 17/18, and the remaining \$1,197.94 was the Navy Base spraying. Caldwell did not have any other questions or comments and asked if anyone else had any questions regarding the P&L; hearing none he requested that the financials be filed for audit.

Old Business

Couch then moved to Old Business and the new headquarters update. Director Clauson will be going to Anastasia MCD along with Commissioner Couch, Mike Riles and Eddie Summers for a design review and 'lessons learned' meeting with representative from Mott MacDonald and Anastasia MCD. Tomorrow we will be taking our excavator out to the lot to assist Geo Nova with some additional testing that needs to be done. Clauson advised that he met over the holiday break with an USDA representative in Marianna regarding any available funds for incorporating solar panels in the new buildings; there are some low interest loans available but that we did not meet the necessary requirements for grants. We can still have Mott MacDonald develop 'option' plans for the inclusion of solar panels; once the bids come and the associated costs, we could then decide whether to include them in the construction. A check for \$62,599.66 was cut to Mott MacDonald today for their 1st quarter of work and \$290,986.34 is still owed.

Angie Hutcherson with FDACS came out on the 4th on behalf of the U.S. EPA for an inspection. The District passed. She was very complimentary, and we will not be due for another inspection for another 1½ to 2 years.

Attorney's Report

Attorney Myers had nothing new to report.

Director's Report

Clauson began his report by reviewing the calendar of events scheduled for January, February and March 2018. There is a budget hearing this Friday in Tallahassee for the NW FL Arbovirus Surveillance

program that Dr. Smith is managing at FSU; he will be attending to provide the Districts support of the program. The Dodd Short Courses are next week in Altamonte Springs; Mike, Danny and Kyle will be attending all week. Commissioner Couch and Director Clauson will attend, Couch will attend the Commissioner's section meeting and Clauson will attend the director's section meeting on Tuesday. Clauson will be attending the MVCAC annual meeting, the week of the 29th. The FMCA Tallahassee Days are the 5th and the 6th of February. Cindy will be at West Bay School the 5th and 9th, and the Mardi Gras Parade is on the 10th. Clauson will be attending the HAI Heli-Expo in Las Vegas, beginning on the 25th with Brad Gunn and Larry Kennedy and from there Clauson will attend the last two days of the AMCA Annual meeting in Kansas City. Commissioner Caldwell will also be attending the AMCA annual meeting, arriving on the 27th and returning on the 2nd. Cindy will be back at West Bay on the 12th of March and then Dr. Smith will be holding his annual classes on the 13th and 14th of March at FSU. The Commissioners had no comments or concerns with any of the dates and activities planned. Clauson then gave his Operations Report referring to the December 2017 activity reports compiled by Summers and Riles.

New Business

There were no 'New Business' items on the agenda but Chairman Couch brought up giving the employees of the District an additional day off, in lieu of their birthday, as an incentive for the hard work that the District's employees provide. Since it will be a floating holiday, it can be taken at any time during the year, provided there are no scheduling conflicts, but it cannot be carried over to the next calendar year. He also recommended that it be implemented retroactively to January 1st, 2018. Couch made a motion that the floating holiday be approved; Dean seconded, and the motion carried without dissent. Clauson said he would write up the revision to the employee handbook and bring it to the next board meeting for review and final approval.

Announcements

There were no announcements and no further business to come before the board, and Chairman Couch adjourned the meeting at 5:22 PM.

Larry Couch, Chairman

Brandon Caldwell, Treasurer

Joyce Dean, Secretary