

**Southwest Mosquito Abatement and Control District  
Board of Trustees Meeting**

**April 07, 2011**

A Southwest Mosquito Abatement and Control District Board of Trustees special meeting was held on April 07, 2011, in the Downstairs Conference Room of the Washington County Administration building. The meeting was convened at 2:05 pm by Vice-Chairman Bruce Anderson.

**Present:**

Vice-Chairman Bruce Anderson, Santa Clara  
Dale Kingsley, Apple Valley  
Luke Stevens, Virgin  
Linda Behling, Rockville  
Merrill Fisher, Enterprise  
Darrell Nelson, Leeds  
Barbara Rusick, Ivins  
Mayor Pat Cluff, Springdale  
Dean Cox representing Commissioner Drake  
Dr. Andrew Barnum, Ex-Officio, Dixie College  
Rachelle Ehlert, Washington County Attorney Office  
Jerry Rasmussen, Washington County Clerk/Auditor Office  
Mario Boisvert, SW Mosquito District Manager

**Absent:**

Wynn Stout, Hurricane City  
Benjamin Nickel, St. George  
Hugh Howard, LaVerkin  
Town of Hildale Representative  
Town of New Harmony Representative

**Excused:**

Chairman Michael Heaton, Washington  
Mayor Darrin LeFevre, Toquerville  
Commissioner Denny Drake, Washington County

**Item #1: Roll Call**

Board members present signed the sign-in form. Vice-Chairman Anderson stated that we have a quorum.

**Item #2: Approval of Minutes from March 10, 2011.**

Merrill Fisher made a motion to accept the minutes as corrected.

Darrell Nelson seconded the motion and all in attendance voted "Aye".

**Item #3: New Business**

Mario stated that we need to have a motion to move \$5,000 from the Contingent Expense line item to the new line item 21-4451-130-010, Unemployment Benefits, which were approved last board meeting. Merrill Fisher made the motion to approve the move and Pat Cluff seconded the motion and everyone in attendance voted "Aye"

Mario also stated that he needs a motion to move the \$47,000 for the RT-PCR unit from the Fund Balance to the Equipment Purchases line item that also was approved last board meeting. He stated that the budget will

need to be open at the end of the year to formally move that money. Barbara Rusick made a motion to approve and Merrill Fisher seconded the motion and everyone in attendance voted "Aye"

#### **Item #4: Manager's Report**

A discussion was made about the training of the Trustees. Board members are required to be trained within first year of taking office. All current board members have been through the training.

Mario has received the contract for the RT-PCR. He reviewed it and does not have any concerns. Rachelle Ehlert has also reviewed the contract.

Mario has talked to the Director of the State Lab and they are ready to train us on the RT-PCR, at no cost. They have the same machine as we ordered. We will also be trained by Applied Biosystems, where we purchased the machine. By the end of April the machine should be in and running.

Dr. Don Warner from Dixie College asked if he could be trained and would be a volunteer to help us, but in exchange he could use the machine for some test of his own as a researcher at Dixie College. Mario does not see any problems, since Dixie College has always been willing to work with us. Dr. Barnum is in full agreement. Merrill Fisher made a motion to approve the use of our machine with Dr. Warner of Dixie College, Pat Cluff seconded the motion and all in attendance voted "Aye".

Mario stated that the trapping season has started. We will use a rotator trap every day. We have also started to use our new software to record the data.

Mario told of his trip to the AMCA in California. He has learned a lot about new projects that are beginning. We should benefit from this in the future. Next week he is going to Chicago to a meeting with Valent, who are paying all costs for him to attend. He is part of a focus group they formed.

#### **Item #5: New Building**

Discussion began about the different types of buildings that Mario reviewed with Merrill Fisher. He now feels that we would be better to go with a new building. The cost for a new building would be less than \$350,000, including a possible increase in steel cost of about 30 percent. Merrill Fisher handed out cost sheets from four companies that would be interested in doing the construction. Merrill also stated a possible conflict of interest because of his brother, Frank Fisher.

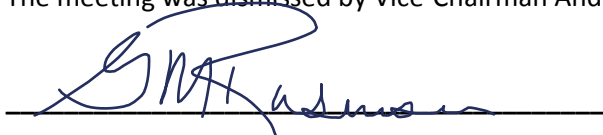
Luke Stevens made a motion that we hire Frank Fisher to do a feasibility study for the location for \$2,500.00, and that they also meet with the County Commission about the land needed. Linda Behling seconded the motion and all in attendance voted "Aye". Also, Barbara Rusick made motion to take \$2,500 from the Contingent Expense to pay for this study. Linda Behling seconded the motion and all in attendance voted "Aye".

#### **Item #6: Next Meeting Date:**

The next meeting will be held on June 9, 2011 at 2:00 pm

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Merrill Fisher, second by Darrell Nelson.

The meeting was dismissed by Vice-Chairman Anderson at 3:15 pm.



**Jerry Rasmussen**  
**Southwest Mosquito Treasurer**