

Board Meeting Minutes  
Mosquito Abatement District -Davis  
February 13, 2025

The Mosquito Abatement Board meeting was held at the Kaysville facility and on Zoom.

Welcome by Board Chair Brad Lee at 6:02 pm who led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

Present at the meeting was Gary Hatch, Manager and Shirley Cox, Clerk with Board members including Matt Murri – Bountiful; Cheylynn Hayman – Centerville; Dakota Wurth – Clearfield; Marie Dougherty– Clinton; John Crofts – Davis County Commission; Scott Isaacson – Farmington; Gary Anderson – Fruit Heights; Tyson Roberts – Layton; Joel Dills – South Weber; Kelly Enquist – West Bountiful; and Brad Lee - West Point. Excused from the meeting was Mike Blackham – Kaysville; Brian Horrocks – North Salt Lake; Nancy Smalling – Sunset; and Brett Cragun – Syracuse.

Board members Gary Anderson, Joel Dills, Marie Dougherty, and Cheylynn Hayman joined by Zoom.

No conflicts of interest declared.

MINUTES – OF 01/09/2025 BOARD MEETING:

There was a motion by Matt Murri to approve the minutes of the 01/09/2025 Board meeting. The motion was seconded by John Crofts. All in favor. None opposed. Motion carried.

Marie Dougherty, Clinton, joined the meeting at 6:07 pm.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

TREASURER REPORT:

Scott Isaacson reported that everything is in order.

He noted that on the Expense Detail Report Check #11796 and 11798 needed some correction. The descriptive detail of the two checks need to be switched with each other. Shirley Cox to make that correction.

There was a motion to accept the Treasurer Report by Kelly Enquist. The motion was seconded by Dakota Wurth. All in favor. None opposed. Motion carried.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL:

Manager Hatch reviewed the Expense Detail Report with the Board and highlighted some of the expenses.

There was a motion by Commissioner John Crofts to accept the financial statement and approve the payment of bills. The motion was seconded by Tyson Roberts. All in favor. None opposed. Motion carried.

#### MOSQUITO REPORT:

##### West Nile Update & Encephalitis Surveillance (2024 Season End)

Utah – West Nile Virus activity reported – 14 (14) human cases at this time. Bear River 5 (5), Davis County 3 (3), Utah County 3 (2), Weber-Morgan 3 (3), 7 presumptive blood donors from Davis and Weber.

314 (314) positive mosquito pools – Box Elder 22 (22), Cache 13 (13), Davis 96 (93), Millard 5 (5), Salt Lake 123 (119), Toole 3 (3), Uintah 18 (18), Utah 5 (5), and Weber 29 (29) counties. To date in 2024, the UPHL and mosquito abatement laboratories have tested a total of 9,902 (9,572) mosquito pools. Davis County has tested just over 4,100.

16 positive horses – Bear River 2, Millard County 1, Tooele County 2, Weber County 5, Utah County 6. Two sentinel chickens from Tooele County.

CDC – Reports – 49 (45) states with virus activity with 49 (45) states with human cases for a total of 1,466 cases with 53 deaths.

The tree hole program has begun. The tree hole mosquito spreads dog heartworm. There are 980 trees in the county identified with tree holes. The tree holes are identified ahead of time so the tree hole crew can find the tree hole easily. The district treats tree holes in February because it is easier to find the trees and tree holes as there are no leaves on the trees at this time of year. The district uses a long-term residual product. In the spring when the tree takes water up through its roots, the chemicals are already in the hole as it fills up with water. An easy way to spot a tree with a tree hole is to look for a weep stain on the tree. As water fills up the inside of the trunk, it spills out onto the trunk where there is a hole in the tree.

#### EMPLOYEES:

##### Full Time

The full-time employees are all doing well.

##### Seasonal

Letters have gone out inviting past seasonal employees back for the upcoming season. Two field employees have confirmed that they will be returning. The district is also receiving applications for the upcoming season.

#### Night Time Sprayers

Most of the night time sprayers committed to return for this season. The district has received one application for a new night time sprayer and another person has expressed interest in putting in an application.

#### 2025 EDUCATION PROGRAM:

Currently there are fifty-one schools booked for the education program. A calendar is available if Board members would like to attend. Manager Hatch asked that Board members let him know if they are attending so he can inform the school.

#### NEW COA DJI AGRAS T50:

The district has received our COA for the new aircraft. We are ready to fly for the season.

#### PAY SCALE REVIEW COMMITTEE REPORTS:

There is no report. Manager Hatch was not able to meet with the pay scale committee due to a conflict.

#### POLICY AND PROCEDURE REVIEW COMMITTEE REPORTS:

The committee received the policy and procedure for review prior to the Board meeting this evening. Manager Hatch will be sending out some things to be considered such as 1) Termination with cause concerning vacation: Sick leave is not paid out. Comp time will be paid out. 2) Cameras and phone use: This should have more clarity.

#### FUTURE PESTICIDE BUILDING VEHICLE STORAGE CONSTRUCTION ARCHITECTURE RFQ:

Manager Hatch sent out a copy of the RFQ for the Board to review. At the last Board meeting, it was suggested to send out the RFQ to get a timeline and a cost. The plan is to take down the current pesticide building and build the new building there. There is also a need to remodel the women's locker room. The current women's locker room is at capacity. Manager Hatch would like to move the women's locker room to where the lab currently is. The lab would then be moved to where the white weed building sits. Manager Hatch also plans to talk with the neighboring property owner about the possible sale of their property.

The schedule going forward is to do a preliminary review and narrow it down to three in April and then interview each company. The company the district will use will then be selected in May. Manager Hatch will talk to the state procurement office to send out a mass email to architects in the area.

The Board agreed with the proposed schedule.

#### MANAGER SUCCESSION PLAN DISCUSSION:

Manager Hatch is looking to retire some time after the end of the year. There are in-house applicants as well as outside applicants. There was a Board discussion on the timing of hiring the new manager and the timing of Manager Hatch's departure, it was agreed that Manager Hatch's replacement will be hired in January of 2026, with Manager staying on two or three months for training his replacement.

Brad Lee, West Point, was excused at 6:47 pm. Vice Chair Dakota Wurth took over leading the Board meeting through the rest of the agenda items.

Manager Hatch will work with that timeline and plan on advertising his position in the summer.

It was suggested that a hiring committee should be formed to review the job description and tasks performed by Manager Hatch, as well as interview potential candidates for the position. Manager Hatch will put this on the agenda for March's Board meeting.

#### 2025 CHEMICAL BIDS:

Chemical bids became available last week. Manager Hatch estimated close on chemical expense for the budget, however, some chemicals had much larger increases than anticipated. Manager Hatch sent out a copy of the chemical bids for Board members to review and compare to the 2025 chemical budget.

-Vectobac GR Bags and Vectomax had a \$0.40 increase above what was anticipated.

-Permethrin 30-30 had a significant increase. Manager Hatch budgeted for a 10% increase, however, Permethrin went up 20%. This is due to the increase cost of PBO which is the synergizer that is added to the permethrin to make it more effective.

-Dibrom went up 15% in price. Manager Hatch had budgeted for an 8% increase.

If everything in the chemical budget is purchased, the chemical line item will be over budget by \$27,000. Manager Hatch will make adjustments to try and stay within budget.

#### 2025 LEGISLATIVE SESSION:

Manager Hatch reviewed the 2025 Utah State Legislative Session House Bills and highlighted the following House Bills:

HB 45 – Irrigation Amendments 1<sup>st</sup> Sub – Rex Shipp – Held in Committee – Tracking

HB 64 – Public Official Bonding Amendments – Senate 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading Calendar - Tracking

HB 267 – Public Sector Labor Union Amendments 1<sup>st</sup> Sub – Enrolling – J. Teuscher- Tracking

HB 370 - State Holiday Modifications–House Economic DWS Committee – S. Hollins - Tracking

SB 50 - Limited Purpose Local Government Entities Board of Trustees Compensation Amendments – House Political Subdivision Committee – C. Musselman - Support

SB 163 - Government Records Amendments – Senate Judiciary, Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice Committee – B. Brammer – Oppose

SB 202 - Property Tax Revisions – Senate Revenue and Taxation Committee – C. Wilson – Tracking

A copy of Ryan Lusty’s review of the 2025 Utah State Legislative Session House Bills was in the Board packet for the meeting this evening. It was also emailed post meeting for all.

#### EQUIPMENT:

##### Maintenance

##### Equipment Update – Sales

2023 Yamaha Kodiak – This sold on the first day of sale. It sold for \$8,000.

Matrice 600 -This sold on Gov Deals Auction to a company out of Texas that does Lidar mapping. They have a Salt Lake office in the area. It sold for \$2,607.11.

Leading Edge PV35X & PV40X – This sold to Anastasia Mosquito Control District in Florida. It sold for \$13,500.00. Anastasia Mosquito Control District paid for the shipping.

##### Equipment Update

2025 Can-am with tracks – This has been received and is being prepared for the upcoming season.

2025 Computers – The computers are at the district office.

ATV Trailer – The trailer has been picked up.

Trucks – One truck has come in. There is not a date to pick up the second truck yet.

Copier –A new copier has been ordered. A technician will be here next Monday to install it.

##### Sell 5 Honda Rubicon

Five new Honda’s are at the facility. The district has 5 Honda Rubicon ATV’s to sell.

(1) 2022, 1 Regular Green - \$5,800

- (2) 2023, 1 Regular Green - \$6,000 – 2 Specialty Colors - \$6,250
- (1) 2024 – Specialty Color Camo - \$6,500

Sell 8' X 10' ATV Trailer \$800

The district has an ATV trailer to sell. The sell price is \$800.

There was a motion by Kelly Enquist to approve the sale of all the Honda Rubicons and ATV Trailer. The motion was seconded by Matt Murri. All in favor. None opposed. Motion carried.

**BOARD TRAVEL & MEETINGS 2025:**

- a) UMAA Annual Meeting – Oct 27-29, 2025 – Park City, UT
- b) MVCAC Annual Meeting – January 26 – 29, 2025 – Oakland, CA - Report
- c) AMCA Annual Meeting – March 3-7, 2025 – San Juan, Puerto Rico

Manager Hatch reported on the MVCAC Annual Meeting in California. The meeting was not as well attended as it has been in the past. There were two breakout sessions instead of four. California has some Dengue cases and Aedes Egypti with a total of seventeen endemic cases. This has never happened before in California.

Aedes is now in Utah. It has been established in St. George and has also been found in Moab.

Aedes Egypti is a difficult mosquito to deal with. Anything that holds water in a yard will produce a mosquito. It is a very labor-intensive mosquito and a nasty biter. It will bite all day long and loves to bite around ankles and feet.

The AMCA Annual Meeting is coming up in San Juan, Puerto Rico. Manager Hatch advised Board members going to bring mosquito repellent as Puerto Rico has a lot of Dengue.

**BOARD MEMBER REPORTS:**

None

**ADJOURN:**

Matt Murri motioned to adjourn. Tyson Roberts seconded the motion. The MAD-D Board meeting adjourned at 7:27 pm.

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Scott Isaacson, Treasurer

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Shirley Cox, Clerk