

PROCEEDINGS FOR THE REGULAR MONTHLY BOARD MEETING
NORTH SHORE MOSQUITO ABATEMENT DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

At the convened monthly meeting for the North Shore Mosquito Abatement District Board of Trustees held at the district office, 117 Northfield Road, Northfield, Illinois, Saturday, February 6 2010. President Zimmer called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Trustee Nelson HowardPresent
Trustee Otto CesarioPresent
Trustee Carol BlusteinPresent
Trustee John ZbeskoPresent
Trustee William Zimmer.....Present

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE

Superintendent Robert Berry
Attorney Norman Rosen
Office Manager Jennifer Zimmer

I. MINUTES

Minutes of the regular board meeting January 10, 2010, were approved with minor corrections. Motion to approve made by Trustee Blustein and seconded by Trustee Zbesko. All ayes.

II. REPORT FROM BOARD OFFICERS

1. President: None
2. Vice President: None
3. Treasurer: Trustee Zbesko read financial as well as January bills and payrolls. Total receipts were \$43,265, total disbursements were \$66,709 and total reserves were \$1,441,460. Trustee Zbesko noted that with the new year a major TIF (Tax Increment Financing District) designation had ended for an area within the NSMAD tax base and inquired if this will affect the district's income. Superintendent Berry said he did not believe so. He cited the ending of a recent TIF in Skokie that resulted in a very small effect on the district's income. A motion to approve the financials was made by Trustee Zimer and seconded by Trustee Blustein. All ayes.
4. Secretary: None
5. Assistant Treasurer: None

III. REPORT FROM LEGALCOUNSEL

None

IV. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Action Items

Superintendent Berry presented price quotes from two vendors, Electronic Data Solutions (EDS) and ADAPCO, for handheld equipment that will allow electronic data gathering in the field. Both systems use the same handheld device but EDS charges \$5000 per application for its data gathering software application and ADAPCO charges \$1,095.00. The advantage offered by this more expensive system is that it uses "ARC" software, which is a type of software that the district is already familiar with. The lower priced system from ADAPCO comes equipped with their own software, reducing their total price. The ADAPCO system's data display is compatible with MS Excel and Access applications, which are in the MS Professional software suite presently used by the district. The Adapco system can be also be used with a Blackberry handheld device but Superintendent Berry advised against using any device that might more easily allow access to district data by unauthorized personnel. Superintendent Berry showed the type of topographical map a new system will produce and explained how this will greatly help the district's analysis of problem areas. Trustee Blustein moved to accept the ADAPCO proposal that includes two licensed field collection devices for a total of \$3820. Trustee Zimmer seconded. All ayes.

Informational Items

Superintendent Berry showed the board real estate collection data from 2009, which included receipts in the first two months that were from the prior year's collection. He said this often the case. He expected some funds from 2009 to be received in January and February of this year. Mr. Berry reported he had a list of about 25 summer interns from last year, he has eliminated some of those names as potential workers for the coming season because of poor work habits. Eight workers have registered for summer work so far. If everyone comes back, the district will have 20 trained workers returning. He noted that the terrible job market for college grads is one reason we may have some grads returning. One application for Lab Intern has also been received.

Trustee Blustein asked about the unincorporated areas in township and inquired if some intergovernmental contact could be made with township governments to work together for better mosquito abatement. Superintendent Berry said the district has done this in past but has received little response from township officials. Usually residents in unincorporated areas have been the ones who have contacted the district to alert it to mosquito problems. Public health departments sometimes get involved. Superintendent Berry favored continued efforts to involve township government in this process and said it's "always good to have more eyes looking for mosquito problems."

V. LAB REPORT: None

VI. OLD BUSINESS: None

VII. NEW BUSINESS: None

Trustees Howard moved to adjourn the meeting. All ayes. Meeting was adjourned at 9:40 a.m.

ATTESTED

SUBMITTED

President, William Zimmer

Secretary, Nelson Howard