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MINUTES OF THE IBERIA PARISH MOSQUITO ABATEMENT DISTRICT COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING CONDUCTED ON JULY 11, 2023 AT 6:00 PM AT THE DISTRICT OFFICE LOCATED AT 611 OLD CENTRAL TAXIWAY, NEW IBERIA, LOUISIANA 70560

Call to order – Chairman, Mr. Willie Polite called the meeting to order at 6:05 PM.

Roll Call – Roll call was taken. The following were present: Mr. Jay Leger, Dr. Christopher Dupuy, Ms. Latifah Gray, Mr. John Simmons and Dr. Timothy Viator.
The following were absent: Mr. Willie Polite.

It was noted that a quorum was present. Others in attendance: Mr. Herff Jones, Executive Director, Ms. Adrienne Camacho, Administrative Secretary and Mr. Milton Belanger, Iberia Parish Government Chief Administrative Officer.

Persons to address the Board – None

Public Comments – None

Approval of Minutes – The Chairman called for a motion to approve the minutes from the previous meeting. Dr. Dupuy motioned that the minutes be adopted and then entered into the record, Mr. Simmons second the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Director's Report

8D Summary – Mr. Jones stated, operations reflect the intensity of populations assessments to determine the need for control measures. The lack of significant rain has limited overall mosquito abundance. Daily surveillance provides the needed data to make control determinations and risk of disease transmission. Operational flexibility is key to successful Mosquito control particularly given the mosquitoes knack to find any source of water to breed; a bottle cap, a curb and gutter culvert, just to name a few. Mr. Jones also stated that, though it is dry we still have work to do. The primary vectors for West Nile Virus and encephalitis still pose a threat in the superhot and dry weather conditions. LSUSVM LADDL has not reported virus activity in mosquito samples submitted for testing by the district as of this BOC meeting.

Budget Report – Mr. Jones stated, there are no outstanding expenditures to report. The project related to HVAC replacement and repairs is complete. Other projects for building structural

repairs, refurbishments as well as installations are underway or completed the proposal process. Mr. Jones stated, the balance of the grant funds from the aircraft project will be used to install a floor coating system. The coating of the floor adds safety, reflectivity, luminosity and added visibility for pilots and mechanics.

Mr. Jones pointed out to the Board our first and second budgetary thresholds have been met. Additionally, with six months remaining for the revenue year the District is in good position to meet all budget goals and proposed total revenue. Mr. Jones stated, budget wise we have on hand deposits and revenues to cover our proposed operational and capital budgets.

Action Items for the Board's Consideration – None

Announcements - None

Adjourn – The Chairman asked for a motion to adjourn: Dr. Dupuy motioned that the meeting be adjourned and Ms. Gray second the motion. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 6:34 p.m.

Submitted by Herff MP. Jones, Executive Director
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