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MINUTES OF THE IBERIA PARISH MOSQUITO ABATEMENT DISTRICT COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING AUGUST 11, 2026 6:00 PM AT THE DISTRICT OFFICE LOCATED 611 OLD CENTRAL TAXIWAY, NEW IBERIA, LOUISIANA 70560

Call to Order – Mr. Jay Leger called the meeting to order at 6:03 PM.

Roll Call – Mr. Leger requested the roll be taken. The following were present: Dr. Christopher Dupuy, Ms. Latifah Gray, Mr. Carl Viator, Kimberly Garcia, LPN., and Mr. Jay Leger.

The following were absent: Mr. John Simmons and Ms. Maggie Daniels.

It was noted that a quorum was present. Others in attendance: Herff Jones, Executive Director, Ms. Lauren Foster, Administrative Secretary and Mr. Matt Conn.

Persons to address the Board – None.

Public Comments – None.

Approval of Minutes – Mr. Jay Leger called for a motion to approve the minutes from the previous meeting with the amendment to Mrs. Kimberly Garcia proper credentials being changed to LPN. Dr. Christopher Dupuy motioned that the minutes be adopted and entered into the record. Mr. Carl Viator second the motion. The motioned carried unanimously.

Director’s Report - Mr. Jones identified that there is an acceleration of operations into the season. Two aerial spray exercises have been conducted to address a marked increase in flood water species mosquitoes in our south of Hwy. 90 target areas. Aerial operations realized a ninety-six percent decrease in populations thereafter. The first positive West Nile virus has been detected with PCR testing. Louisiana Department of Health report four human neuro invasive cases with no fevers and no fatalities. Sales tax revenue has surpassed the Board’s three benchmarks set for the 2026 appropriations budget for the district. Budget projections for the remainder of 2026 are on target. Budget submissions for the 2027 appropriations year are begin prepared which will have few changes from the previous year. Budget planning with account for proposed COLA raises with benefits costs, known increases in chemical costs, and capital expenditures to embellish the program’s capabilities. Mr. Jones asked the Board to consider and identify a board chair and vice-chair. The board unanimously selected Ms. Maggie Daniels to serve as chairperson, and Ms. Latifah Gray to serve as co-chair.

Action Items for the Board’s Consideration – None.

Announcements – None.

Adjourn – Motion was made by Mr. Jay Leger to adjourn meeting. Motion was made by Ms. Latifah Gray that the meeting be adjourned. Mr. Carl Viator second the motion. All in favor. Meeting was adjourned at 6:36 P.M.