



Iberia Parish Mosquito Abatement District

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MINUTES OF THE IBERIA PARISH MOSQUITO ABATEMENT DISTRICT COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING September 8, 2026, 6:00 PM AT THE DISTRICT OFFICE LOCATED 611 OLD CENTRAL TAXIWAY, NEW IBERIA, LOUISIANA 70560

Call to Order – Ms. Maggie Daniels called the meeting to order at 6:06 PM.

Roll Call – Ms. Daniels requested the roll be taken. The following were present: Chairman Ms. Maggie Daniels, Mr. Carl Viator, Dr. Christopher Dupuy, and Ms. Latifah Gray.

The following were absent: Mr. Jay Leger, Mr. John Simmons, and Mrs. Kimberly Garcia.

It was noted that a quorum was present. Others in attendance: Herff Jones, Executive Director and Ms. Lauren Foster, Administrative Secretary, and Caleb Theriot, IPMC Mosquito Specialist.

Persons to address the Board – None.

Public Comments – None.

Approval of Minutes – Ms. Maggie Daniels called for a motion to approve the minutes from the previous meeting. Mr. Carl Vitor motioned that the minutes be adopted and entered into the record. Ms. Latifah Gray second the motion. The motioned carried unanimously.

Director's Report- Mr. Jones introduced Mr. Caleb Theriot, mosquito specialist to the board. Mr. Jones informed the Board now is the Peak transmissions period for West Nile Virus and encephalitis is active. Surveillance and control activity at the district are focused on reducing the risk of exposure. These activities also include public messaging to that effect and appropriate response protocols. Mosquito surveillance has identified virus activity in mosquito samples. The district has activated control interventions to address these locations and will continue to ensure cessation of repeat detections by genetic testing of mosquito samples. LDH statewide report indicated fifteen (15) human cases and one (1) fatality, related to West Nile Virus; additionally, the state reported eleven (11) Eastern equine encephalitis cases in horses. All expenditures for the District are in line and as expected for this time of the year. There are no anticipated large purchases to be made at this time. with budget expectations. Proposed budget for 2027 was presented for final discussion. Mr. Jones reviewed points discussed at the August BOC meeting; FY 2027 budget changes will address known cost increases to aerial chemicals, anticipated expenses related to building upkeep and rising fuel costs at the pump. The proposed budget will include consideration for salaries and related benefits pending council approval of designated COLA increase.

Action Items for the Board's Consideration –

1. Consider and adopt proposed appropriations budget for 2027

Mr. Pat Viator motioned and Dr. Chris Dupuy seconded that the following be adopted:

RESOLUTION 2026 – 09 – 001

(A resolution to adopt the proposed 2027 IPMAD appropriations budget)

WHEREAS, the proposed 2027 appropriations budget for operational and capital expenditures has been presented by the district director, and

WHEREAS, the Iberia Parish Mosquito Abatement District Board of Commissioners has reviewed, discussed and adopted the proposed 2027 IPMAD appropriations budget.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Iberia Parish Mosquito Abatement District Board of Commissioners does hereby respectfully submit the proposed 2027 IPMAD appropriations budget to Iberia parish government administration and IPG Council for review, consideration and adoption.

The resolution having been submitted to a vote; the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Dr. Chris Dupuy, Ms. Maggie Daniels, Mr. Pat Viator, Ms. Latifah Gray

NAYS: None

The resolution was adopted unanimously on this 8th day of September, 2026.

Announcements - None.

Adjourn – Motion was made by Ms. Maggie Daniels to adjourn meeting. Motion was made by Mr. Carl Viator that the meeting be adjourned. Dr. Christopher Dupuy second the motion. All in favor. Meeting was adjourned at 6:35 P.M.

