

The Regularly Scheduled Meeting of the Board of Commissioners for Beach Mosquito Control District was called to order by Chairman Couch at 5:00 P.M., Monday, March 11<sup>th</sup>, 2013. Couch requested the roll be recorded, and noted that all commissioners were present.

Present:	Commissioner:	Larry Couch, Chairman
	Commissioner:	Joyce Dean, Secretary
	Commissioner:	John Smith, Treasurer
	Director:	James Clauson
	Fiscal Assistant:	Sherry Bennett

#### Approval of Minutes

Secretary Dean confirmed that everyone received and reviewed the minutes of the previous meeting, and asked if there were any corrections. Hearing none, Dean moved the minutes be approved as submitted; Smith seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

#### Financial Reports

Treasurer Smith referenced the financials and reported that we had received just over \$185,000.00 new money bringing us up to \$760,829.64 collected. Smith commented that we still have just over a quarter of a million to collect including State Funds. He brought up the profit and loss reflecting the budget versus actual and asked if there were additional questions or comments. Hearing none, he recommended the financial report be filed for audit.

#### Old Business

Chairman Couch brought up the FMCA Legislative Days update and Director Clauson commented that he had last year's pamphlet and had given it to Commissioner Dean. Clauson informed the board that he had three rooms reserved for the 18<sup>th</sup> of this month at the Cabot Lodge; he went on to say that the schedule was emailed to him and he copied Deborah Parker-Smith with everyone's email address. Clauson added that it is the same as last year and the previous years.

Couch moved on to the Annual Report; Clauson reported that he has it about complete and is just waiting on a few graphs and reports. Clauson finished by saying that as soon as it is finished he will send it out using Transfer Big Files, a free program that transfers larger files over the internet.

#### Attorney Report

No report.

#### Director Report

Clauson reviewed the events for March and April and commented that things are starting to pick up, especially for Cindy. He reported that on Saturday the 2<sup>nd</sup> of March, Cindy and Kyle were at Frank Brown Park with the trailer but there were not a lot of kids because of the cold temperatures. We just had the meeting at FSU, which went very well. This Wednesday we are having a staff meeting in the morning and AFLAC is coming out to discuss the different policies they offer to the employees. Chip

Gramling with The Clemons Company is coming out to review health insurance and get everyone signed up. Clauson brought up that he would get the paperwork for the commissioners and get it to them for completion to make sure we get everything submitted in time. Clauson then brought up that on the 26<sup>th</sup> through the 28<sup>th</sup> Dale is going to the meeting in Saint Augustine at Anastasia Mosquito Control in St. Johns County. Clauson added that in April on Thursday the 4<sup>th</sup> Cindy will be at Beach Elementary for Science Night and she will be at Breakfast point the following Friday morning for Science Day. Saturday the 6<sup>th</sup>, Cindy will be at Camp Helen with the trailer for "It's a Spring Thing". The Board Meeting is scheduled for the 8<sup>th</sup> of April and a Staff Meeting will be held on the 10<sup>th</sup>. Clauson then brought up that on the 18<sup>th</sup> Panama City Beach Chamber of Commerce is hosting a Business Expo at Boardwalk Beach Resort which brings in a lot of people; he stated that we have participated in past years and this year's theme is "Rock the Boardwalk".

Clauson went on to say that Cindy told him she is going to talk to someone at the School Board's administrative office on Balboa Avenue in Panama City and make them aware of what we do with the schools here and see if they can help her get into the High School. Smith mentioned that Paula Weaver is the new Science Contact; Clauson added that Cindy mentioned to him that she has known Paula for a number of years.

Clauson then passed out a PSA that Cindy had just completed to hand out to various businesses and several HOAs to generate interest about maintaining people's homes and getting rid of standing water.

Clauson began the Operations Update by saying that Rudy at Anastasia County Mosquito Control has 8 drums of Dibrom that they ordered last year. He related that Anastasia County does not have an aerial program and for some reason the helicopter service that they had contracted with to do their spraying was not able to respond in time which left them with the 8 drums of Dibrom that he can't use until another situation comes up to where he would have to contract someone to spray. Rudy told Clauson that he would be willing to sell it to us maybe at a reduced price. It would help him out by not having to store it without a means to put it out and we will use it for sure; if not this season next season. Smith said that since Dale was going over to Anastasia County Mosquito Control it would be nice if he could bring it back. Clauson said he thought of that but, because it is a chemical, it has to be placard. Before he proceeded he wanted to check with the board first to make sure there would not be any issues with that. Clauson added that he would find out how much transportation would be and possibly get Rudy to pay for that.

Several graphs and reports were provided for the Operations Update. The Monthly Summary Report, the Service Request Log and a Statement of Operations Report that included the service requests, employee hours for specific activities, material usage, spray routes and supporting graphs, covering the month of February 2013, were presented for review and discussion. Clauson reported that the mosquito count is low, there were no service requests and no spray routes were sprayed. Smith referred to the reports and mentioned that we have been doing some ditching; Clauson affirmed and added that the guys have been out both digging several beaver dams and mowing the ditch banks. They spent some time on the Bay Colony ditch, the long ditch that runs north south.

Clauson then went on to the AMCA Update. He reported that it was a good meeting, the talks went well and Dale's presentation went good. Clauson mentioned that he had gotten good feedback on his presentation and that he had received an email inquiring about his presentation. Clauson went on to report that the results of the Natular study were not as good as some had wanted it to be, naming Clarke as being one of the distributors that was disappointed. Clauson related to them that we will be putting out 150 day Altosid Briquettes this year, but we may set aside twenty catch basins to look at the Natular again and reproduce what we did last year to see if we get the same results. Clauson said he has already discussed this with Dale and added that he plans to be more involved in the study this year to see if there are any issues with it. Clauson mentioned that he did not see any last year but he wanted to confirm this and said he felt that the reason we did not get good results was due to all of the rain we had. Smith brought up that Fred Wakefield of Bay County said they did not get good results with the Natular either. Clauson said that catch basins are tough because they get washed out and if you have a confined area like a pool or a cattle pond you would probably get better results.

Lastly Clauson handed out an update reflecting the statewide Arbovirus Activity and stated that there is not much West Nile or EEE activity going on throughout the state at this time.

#### New Business

Chairman Couch asked if there was any new business and there was none to be reported.

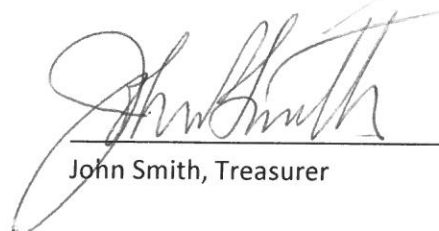
#### Announcements


Chairman Couch called for any announcements. Clauson mentioned that Jim Hull's birthday is next month and Dean brought up Jim Hull's insurance coverage and him turning 65 in May; at that time a discussion ensued regarding employees and their spouses who are eligible to go on Medicare. It was concluded that we may need to ask Chip Gramling of The Clemons Company how to handle the situation with Jim and his spouse staying on our policy.

Dean then inquired if either Dale or Jim had mentioned whether or not they were going to retire and Clauson answered by saying that Dale was leaning toward the end of summer but has not given him a definite and Jim hasn't said anything about it.

There were no other announcements and no further business to come before the board, and Chairman Couch adjourned the meeting at 5:21pm.

  
Larry Couch, Chairman

  
John Smith, Treasurer

  
Joyce Dean, Secretary