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., February 9th, 2015. Couch requested the roll be recorded, and noted that all commissioners and the director were present. Attorney Myers came in during the Financial Report.

## Approval of Minutes

Secretary Dean confirmed that everyone received and reviewed the minutes of the meeting from January 19th, 2015 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 financial reports and commented that there is nothing to report because we did not receive any funds during the past month. Smith then questioned Clauson about the money we are to receive from the State Funds. Clauson stated that he contacted Stacey Reese from FDACS and was informed that she has submitted a request to another division and she is just waiting to hear back from them. Couch commented that the Material for Maintenance of Building and Land line item is at 77% of the budgeted amount and Clauson answered that a lot of that was for the new chicken coop and general maintenance. Couch also mentioned that Promotional Activities has only \$1,900 left and Clauson stated that Mulla is running out of items and had to order more with most of the expense going toward the parades. There was no other discussion and Smith then recommended that the financials be filed for audit.

#### **Old Business**

Chairman Couch moved on to Old Business, Annual Report: Clauson informed the board that he is still working on the Annual Report and will have it by the next board meeting and he is waiting on reports from various employees.

Couch moved to the next item under Old Business, MVCAC (Mosquito and Vector Control of CA) Report: Clauson reported to the board that he gave a talk regarding how we do things in Florida and here at the district. He commented further that he was very well received and mentioned that the people he talked to were very encouraged in attending our FMCA meeting in November at St. Augustine, Florida.

Moving to the next item on the agenda, Commerce Property Update: Clauson referred to a letter that he had sent to Jeff Stauffer, with St Joe. The letter explained the operations of Beach Mosquito Control District with emphasis on Public Health and in support of what St. Joe does. Clauson also mentioned that he is searching out other properties. A short discussion ensued and Couch thanked Clauson for staying on top of it.

# Attorney's Report

Attorney Myers gave an update on the \$25,000.00 BP Claim and stated that the resolution is still a ways off but wanted to make the board aware that they are paying attention to what is going on in the BP Case.

Myers then reported that on January 1, 2015 the legislature passed a law that requires elected officials with local governments to take a four hour ethics class. Myers stated that her law firm is putting together a class that will meet the legislative requirements and mentioned that the commissioners can come to their office to take the class free of charge. A short discussion ensued and Myers said she would confirm all of the details.

## **Director Report**

Clauson began his report by reviewing the calendar of events scheduled for February and March 2015. The commissioners had no comments or concerns with any of the dates and activities planned.

Clauson then gave an Operation's Update and stated we have not had a lot of mosquitoes and we have sprayed a little bit for larvae. There is no surveillance going on right now and the traps and chicken coops have been brought in for maintenance. The new chicken pen has been completed and Riles will be ordering new chickens in about two weeks and getting them ready for the field.

## **New Business**

Couch moved to New Business, Gambusia Solutions, Purchase of Fish Production Equipment: Clauson referred to a quote that was supplied in the agenda packet regarding the purchase of equipment to produce our own fish that will eat mosquito larvae in swimming pools and ditches. A lengthy discussion ensued. Smith made a motion to approve the purchase in the amount of \$24,106.00 as presented, Dean seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Last Agenda Item, Annual Leave Policy Amendment – Annual Leave Sell Back (40 Hours): Clauson then presented the board with a proposal to amend the Annual Leave Policy allowing the employees to sell back 40 hours of vacation at year end. A lengthy discussion ensued and Smith made a motion to approve the Annual Leave Policy Amendment to sell back 40 hours at year end and added that anyone who exceeds their maximum accrual at year end will have the excess hours roll into sick leave, Dean seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

### Announcements

There were no announcements and no further business to come before the board, and Chairman Couch adjourned the meeting at 5:45 PM.

Larry Couch, Chairman

John Smith, Treasurer

Joyce Dean, Secretary