

Lemon Fair Insect Control District
Tuesday, August 2, 2016
Cornwall Town Office

DRAFT Minutes

1. Call to order at 5:07

Present: David Dodge, Lew Castle, Chuck Burkins, Chris Chapline, Gary Rodes, Kerry White, Dinah Bain, Alissa Shethar, Craig Zondag

2. Approve July minutes.

The amended July minutes are approved.

3. Treasurer's report.

Cash forward: \$71,915.71

Cash received: \$0.12

Total cash for month: \$71,915.83

Total disbursements: \$12,624.15

Cash on hand: \$59,291.68

Total accounts payable: \$0.00

Net current assets: \$59,291.68

The treasurer's report is approved.

4. Board membership:

Lew Castle has announced his resignation from the LFICD board after the November, 2016 board meeting. David D. suggests we advertise for a Cornwall replacement (Front Porch Forum, Cornwall newsletter). Weybridge has an opening for a 3rd board member, as well, if there is an interested person.

5. Distribution of Financial Compilation.

David will send the 2014/2015 Financial Compilation to the Select Boards.

6. Dipping and adult mosquito reporting.

The Lemon Fair is low and the wetlands are dry, so there has been no point in dipping lately. The field team has been concentrating on setting light traps for adult mosquitoes. The light traps have not had big numbers of adult mosquitoes in them. We have received new light traps to set up, but we are waiting on batteries for them before they can be deployed. Some of the light traps will be placed in fixed spots yearly to see the trend; others will rotate. The light trap data will be on the website this month.

7. Field coordinator's report:

The LFICD open house at the Weybridge office space was well attended and visitors were enthusiastic. There were displays set up, using the light traps and microscopes. Alan Graham, State Entomologist, attended. LFICD Open House should be an annual July event.

Craig netted evening mosquitoes to identify the species to determine what habitat they were coming from; they were mostly *Coquillettidia perturbans* and *Anopheles*, both container species.

Recent contact with BLSG: Will Mathis came up to catch up with our team. Will has been collecting larva, but the BLSG has mostly been doing adulticiding. They have received their Argo amphibious vehicle and are outfitting it with sprayers, but they haven't deployed it in the field yet. They also need a trailer to move it to field locations.

8. Community outreach and website update:

There have been no calls on the mosquito hotline. The new LFICD website has had 67 unique visitors. The website now has a menu. The Cornwall Town website will link to the LFICD website, rather than updating an LFICD page. The old agendas and minutes will now be on our website. Chuck will try to make a Google Map of the floodplain and site markers. Chris C. and David D. will get the emails addressed to the LFICD website. The contact phone number posted on the website will be the same as the complaint line.

9. GIS/GPS training in Randolph in September.

Craig would like 2 techs to attend a GIS/GPS workshop in September in Randolph, VT. The cost is \$100/person for the course and money for transportation, etc. Dinah moves to appropriate up to \$800 in order for Craig and Kerry to attend the workshop. The motion passed unanimously.

10. Do we need a new computer for mapping purposes?

Mapping: Existing Lidar data can be used to identify features in the landscape (other than the LF floodplain) that might retain water and breed mosquitoes. It might be possible to use the data to identify areas that would be ideal areas for using Bti briquettes to control hatches away from the floodplain. However, our current LFICD computer does not have the processor capability to handle GIS/Lidar data. Craig thinks the district needs a computer with a better processor in any case, so Kerry and Craig will look into new computers with the capability to handle Lidar data.

11. New business.

Craig would like to send 2 staff members to the Northeast Mosquito Control Association meeting in Falmouth, MA in December.

12. Next Meeting: Adjourn: 6:45

Next meeting: September 6, 2016 at the Bridport Town Office.