

**MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE
SOUTHLAKE MOSQUITO ABATEMENT DISTRICT
MINUTES
March 13, 2023**

1. **ROLL CALL**

The meeting was called to order at 7:31 p.m. by President Barbara Struthers. Trustees Tony Bilotti, Roger Simonson, Susan Levy and Brent Ross were present. No trustees absent. District Attorney LeeAnn L. Gurysh was in attendance along with George Balis of Clarke. The meeting was held at the Deerfield Village Hall in the Police Conference Room.

2. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

3. **MINUTES**

The trustees reviewed the minutes of the February 13, 2023 regular meeting. Motion by Trustee Simonson, seconded by Trustee Bilotti to approve the minutes of the February 13, 2023 regular meeting minutes. All in favor. Motion passed.

4. **TREASURER'S REPORT**

Trustee Levy stated that as of February 28, 2023, there was a total of \$989,070.12 held by the District. President Struthers stated that Clarke payments will be beginning in April . Trustee Ross asked what those payments would be. Mr. Balis stated that the base amount due was \$352,250.00 that was paid in five equal installments. Other services such as adult larvicide would be additional amounts due.

5. **BILLS**

Trustee Levy reviewed the following bills with the Trustees:

1. Italian Kitchen	\$851.26	Holiday Dinner
2. Roger Simonson	\$2,161.92	AMCA Conference Reimbursement
3. Smith Accounting Services	\$100.00	Accounting Services for 2/23
4. Liberty Computer Centre for 2/23	\$200.00	Website & Facebook Maintenance
5. Gurysh Law, LLC	\$630.00	Legal Services for 2/23
6. Liberty Mutual Insurance	\$500.00	Bond for Susan Levy

Trustee Simonson moved that the bills be paid as presented. Seconded by Trustee Levy. Roll Call. Ayes: Bilotti, Simonson, Struthers, Levy and Ross. Nays: None. Absent: None. Motion passed.

6. **REPORTS**

A. **Report on Annual Conference.** Trustee Simonson spoke about his attendance at the annual conference. He said the big topic of discussion was aerial spraying with drones. He also found a possible educational source with a new children's book available.

B. **Clarke Report.** Mr. Balis provided the Board with copies of the Sustainability Report.

7. **OLD BUSINESS**

A. None.

8. **NEW BUSINESS**

A. President Struthers asked if the Riverwoods plant sale was going to be held this year as the District has previously had a booth at the sale. Trustee Simonson said that it was not being held. President Struthers said that the District should look into a spot at the Deerfield Farmers' Market. It was discussed that any activities in Highland Park may be delayed until 2024.

B. Ordinance 23-O-1, TENTATIVE ANNUAL BUDGET AND APPROPRIATION ORDINANCE OF THE SOUTHLAKE MOSQUITO ABATEMENT DISTRICT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING MAY 1, 2023 AND ENDING APRIL 30, 2024, was presented by Attorney Gurysh. She stated that the amounts were the same as prior years and no increases were suggested. Trustee Ross asked about this process and Attorney Gurysh explained that this was done so that a public hearing could be held prior to the passing of the final budget and appropriation ordinance at the May meeting and the notice of the hearing had to be published at least 30 days prior to the public hearing. Trustee Levy moved that 23-O-1 be passed. Seconded by Trustee Simonson. All in favor. Motion passed.

9. **ADJOURNMENT.**

Trustee Levy moved that the meeting be adjourned. Seconded by Trustee Simonson. All in favor. The meeting adjourned at 8:24 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Roger Simonson, Secretary of Southlake
Mosquito Abatement District