

Board Meeting Minutes
Mosquito Abatement District -Davis
October 09, 2025

The Mosquito Abatement Board meeting was held at the Kaysville facility and on Zoom.

Welcome by Board Chair Brad Lee at 6:06 pm

ROLL CALL:

Present at the meeting was Gary Hatch, Manager and Shirley Cox, Clerk with Board members including Dakota Wurth – Clearfield; Marie Dougherty – Clinton; Matt Murri – Bountiful; John Crofts – Davis County Commission; Scott Isaacson – Farmington; Mike Blackham – Kaysville; Tyson Roberts – Layton; Brian Horrocks – North Salt Lake; Joel Dills – South Weber; Nancy Smalling – Sunset; Kelly Enquist – West Bountiful; Brad Lee - West Point and Jim Grover – Woods Cross. Excused from the meeting was Cheylynn Hayman – Centerville; Gary Anderson – Fruit Heights; and Brett Cragun – Syracuse.

Board members John Crofts, Brian Horrocks, Joel Dills, Marie Dougherty and Matt Murri joined the meeting by Zoom.

No Conflicts of Interest

MINUTES – OF 9/11/2025 BOARD MEETING:

A motion to approve the 11 September 2025 Board meeting minutes was made by Dakota Wurth. The motion was seconded by Tyson Roberts. All in favor. None opposed. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

TREASURERS REPORT:

Treasurer Scott Isaacson reports that everything is in order.

There was a motion by Tyson Roberts to accept the Treasurer Report. The motion was seconded by Nancy Smalling. All in favor. None opposed. Motion carried.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT DISCUSSION AND APPROVAL:

Manager Hatch reviewed the Expense Detail Report and highlighted some of the expenses.

There was a motion to approve the financial statement and the payment of bills made by Nancy Smalling. The motion was seconded by Dakota Wurth. All in favor. None opposed. Motion carried.

MOSQUITO REPORT:

West Nile Update & Encephalitis Surveillance

West Nile Virus has been very high for the state this year. 2025 is the 2nd highest year ever for both humans and horses as well as positive mosquito pools. There are 13 counties with WNV activity.

Utah – WNV Activity Reported – 552 (401) positive pools. 97 (58) from Davis. 4,237 mosquito pools have been tested this year. There are 43 (25) human cases with 4 deaths – 12 from Bear River; 7 from Davis County; 8 from Salt Lake County; 1 from Tri County; and 15 from Utah County. 401 (401) positive mosquito pools from (06) counties. Bear River – Cache County had 59 positives, Central Utah 4, Davis County 97, Salt Lake County 250, Southeast Utah 1, Tooele County 5, Tri County, Uinta and Ute Tribe 18, Utah County 98, and Weber 20.

20 horses statewide - none in Davis County - 3 from Cache County, 4 from Utah County, and 3 from Weber County, some from San Juan and Uintah County. 41 (24) SLE positive mosquito pools from Salt Lake County – 24 from Salt Lake City, 11 from Magna, 6 from South Salt Lake.

CDC reports – 42 (40) states with virus activity with 41 (39) states with human cases for a total of \$1,433 (771) cases.

Mosquito Treatments, Spray Request, Surveillance

Matt Murri asked about the magic date for mosquitoes, to which Manager Hatch replied that the magic date is September 15th for mosquito reduction. He also informed the Board that the mosquitoes that are around front porches are very thick right now because the mosquitoes are all coming into homes for hibernation. They are not seeking a blood meal and most of them are not biting. They are looking for a good place to hibernate.

Surveillance

Manager Hatch reviewed the end of season 2025 West Nile Surveillance report and highlighted some of the numbers.

Total mosquitoes tested – 362,524S

Total Culex tarsalis – 203,347

Total Culex pipiens – 79,177

The report shows the locations of 7 positive human cases which are: Fruit Heights; Layton; Clinton, Clearfield, West Point, Syracuse. Two deaths occurred in Fruit Heights and Layton.

The report shows positive pools and positivity rates by each city in the county.

Tyson Roberts asked about sample sizes in each pool, to which Manager Hatch explained that a Pool is 10 mosquitoes to 100 mosquitoes depending on what is in the traps.

Treatments

4,936 larvicide acres were sprayed by aerial application for the month of September. The season ended with 20,222 total larvicide acres sprayed for 2025, which is slightly high.

35,840 adulticide acres were sprayed by aerial application for the month of September. The season ended with 131,511 total adulticide acres sprayed for 2025.

649 acres were sprayed by drone application for the month of September. The season ended with 3,227 total acres sprayed by drone.

166,552 acres were treated by Ground UIV application for the month of September with 20 days of nighttime spraying.

1,036 spray requests came into the office for September. 136 of those were special requests. This is extremely high for September. Tarsalis, pipiens, and dorsalis are above the 5-year average. The rain increased the number of mosquitoes and dorsalis was very high.

CONSIDERATION OF THE 2026 TENTATIVE BUDGET AND 2026 PROPOSED INCREASE IN PROPERTY REVENUE FOR THE MOSQUITO ABATEMENT DISTRICT – DAVIS:

Discussion of 2026 Tentative Budget

Manager Hatch reviewed the 2026 Tentative Budget with the Board. He highlighted revenues, including the proposed 2026 increase in property value, expenditures and fund balances. There was a lengthy Board discussion about many of the line items.

Jim Grover was excused at 6:36 pm.

There was a motion by Scott Isaacson to approve the 2026 Tentative Budget as it has been presented. John Crofts seconded the motion. All in favor. None opposed. Motion carried.

PESTICIDE BUILDING/FACILITY UPGRADE CONSTRUCTION ARCHITECTURE:

CMGC – RFQ Discussion:

Manager Hatch sent out RFQs for the CMGC including sending it through state purchasing. Galloway recommended four different contracting firms, 2 of which submitted RFQs.

Construction Committee Recommendation for Short List CMGC

Eight firms were represented in the Proposal meeting. Six proposals were received. The Construction Committee reviewed each of these proposals and unanimously recommended four to move forward with a date to be set up in November for half-hour interviews.

Scott Isaacson noted that with no discussion, the proposals were independently reviewed by each Committee member, all were in agreement on the four that should move forward.

Board Chair, Brad Lee thanked the Committee for their time and effort on this matter. Additional Board member compensation is approved for those that have attended the extra meetings.

There was a motion to approve the short list recommended for CMGC by Tyson Roberts. The motion was seconded by Kelly Enquist. All in favor. None opposed. Motion carried.

TAX INCREASE ON CITY COUNCIL AGENDA:

Manager Hatch reminded Board members to notify their city about the tax increase. It must be on the City Council Agenda. There is no discussion or a vote on it. The public does need to be able to respond.

For allowing the public to respond, Mike Blackham suggested that every city council has a public comment period where they must accept comments for everything on the agenda. Mike also reminded Board members that the talking points Gary Hatch presented to the Board were very helpful to inform each city council.

Manager Hatch will need a copy of each City Council Agenda showing the Mosquito Abatement District Tavis Tax Increase is on the agenda. The County must also do it with the County Commission Council. He must submit them to the State Tax Commission by November 4th.

EMPLOYEES:

Full Time – Manager Position Advertisement Timeline

The current retirement date for Manager Hatch is April 1, 2026. He asked the Board when they wanted to advertise the position.

There was a Board discussion on this matter with the consensus being to advertise the position in December and hire by the end of January with a start date of February 1, 2025.

The position will be advertised locally first and expanded to national if that is needed to find the right candidate. Out of state candidates are welcome to apply with the condition that they finance their own travel to come to the interview or do a Zoom interview.

Seasonal Employees

End of season wrap up is finished out in the field. There are four seasonal employees still working who will be leaving employment between now and the end of October.

Nighttime Sprayers

Nighttime spraying will go until October 15th if weather allows.

EQUIPMENT:

Maintenance

Equipment Update – Sell 2016 F150 Regular Cab, Sell (2) 2023 and (1) 2024 Honda Rubican

The 2016 F150 Truck regular cab sold for \$16,000.

The 2024 Honda Rubicon #269 sold for \$5,500.

The 2023 Honda Rubicon #271 sold for \$5,250.

The 2023 Honda Rubicon #264 Sold for \$5,500.

2026 Ford F150 Truck Bid

2026 Ford F150 Truck bid for a Super Cab, 3.5 EcoBoost, and spray-in bedliner is \$54,532.

2026 Can Am Outlander X MR 850 Bid

2026 Cam-Am 850 with Can-Am XC LT Tracks is \$20,742.75

There was a motion to approve the 2026 Ford F150 truck bid and the 2026 Can Am Outlander bid by Dakota Wurth. The motion was seconded by Mike Blackham. All in favor. None opposed. Motion carried.

BOARD TRAVEL AND MEETINGS:

- a) UMAA Annual Meeting – October 27-29, 2025 – Park City
- b) MVCAC Annual Meeting – February 1-4, 2026 – Rancho Mirage, CA
- c) AMCA Annual Meeting – March 23-27, 2026 – Portland, OR

The Trustee Training session will be held on Monday afternoon at 1:00 pm. The Board will have dinner together Monday Night. The Banquet will be held on Tuesday night. Wednesday will be half a day.

Hotel stays are at the Sheraton. Manager Hatch will send out room reservations to the Board members.

Open and Public Meeting Training as well as New Board member training will be done in the Trustee session at UMAA or online at the State Auditor's Website. Open and Public Meeting Training can be done in City Council. A copy of the City Council minutes or a Training Certificate should be sent to Shirley Cox at shirlwhirl21@gmail.com. There is no need to do more than one Open and Public Meeting training. Board members new to the MAD-D Board this year are required to do New Board Member training. The district will be audited for both training courses done.

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS:

None

ADJOURN:

Kelly Enquist motioned to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Dakota Wurth. The MAD-D Board Meeting adjourned at 7:15 pm.

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Scott Isaacson, Treasurer

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Shirley Cox, Clerk