

**GREATER LOS ANGELES COUNTY VECTOR CONTROL DISTRICT
MINUTES NO. 2016-02**

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Greater Los Angeles County Vector Control District continued to 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, February 25, 2016, at the District office at 12545 Florence Avenue, Santa Fe Springs, California.

TRUSTEES PRESENT

Sally Flowers, *(City of Artesia)*
Ray T. Smith, *(City of Bellflower)*
Ali Saleh, *(City of Bell)*
Pedro Aceituno, *(City of Bell Gardens)*
Dr. Jeff Wassem, *(City of Burbank)*
Elito Santarina, *(City of Carson) *7:18 PM*
Mark Bollman, Sec.-Treasurer *(City of Cerritos)*
Barry Bruce, *(City of Hawaiian Gardens)*7:11 pm*
Elba Guerrero, *(City of Huntington Park)*
David Spence, *(City of La Cañada Flintridge)*
Jim Remington, *(City of La Habra Heights)*
Steve Croft, Vice President *(City of Lakewood)*
Pauline Deal, *(City of La Mirada)*
Robert Campbell, *(City of Long Beach)*
Steve Appleton, *(City of Los Angeles)*
Martin Kreisler, *(County of Los Angeles)*
Salvador Alatorre, *(City of Lynwood)*
Eddie De La Riva *(City of Maywood) *7:27 PM*
Tom Hansen, *(City of Paramount)*
Bob Archuleta, *(City of Pico Rivera) *7:11 PM*
Nina Herrera, *(City of San Fernando)*
Scott Kwong, *(City of San Marino) *7:10pm*
Tina Szumanski, *(City of Santa Clarita)*
Luis Gonzalez, *(City of Santa Fe Springs)*
Dr. Hazel Wallace, *(City of Signal Hill)*
Hector Delgado, *(City of South El Monte)*
Maria Davila, President *(City of South Gate)*
Owen Newcomer, *(City of Whittier)*

TRUSTEES ABSENT

Tina Baca Del Rio, *(City of Commerce)*
Baru Sanchez, *(City of Cudahy)*
Steve Tye, *(City of Diamond Bar)*
Roger C. Brossmer, *(City of Downey)*
Dan Medina, *(City of Gardena)*
Cheri Kelley, *(City of Norwalk)*

OTHERS PRESENT

Truc Dever, *General Manager*
Mark Daniel, *Director of Operations*
Susanne Kluh, *Director of Scientific-Technical Services*
Kelly Middleton, *Director of Community Affairs*
Carolyn Weeks, *Director of Fiscal Operations*
Levy Sun, *Public Information Officer*
Quinn Barrow, *Legal Counsel*

VACANT

City of Glendale
City of Montebello

** Denotes time of late arrival (vote tallies on agenda items reflect actual Trustees present at time of vote)*

1. CALL TO ORDER

President Davila called the meeting to order at 7:07 P.M.

2. QUORUM (ROLL) CALL

Following roll call, it was recorded that 23 Trustees were present and 11 were absent. Five Trustees arrived after roll call. Two seats remain unfilled.

3. INVOCATION

Trustee Gonzalez gave the invocation.

4. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Trustee Aceituno led the Pledge of Allegiance.

5. CORRESPONDENCE

NONE.

6. **INTRODUCTIONS**

(Introductions requested by staff or Trustees of persons attending the meeting are made at this time).

NONE.

7. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

(This time is reserved for members of the public to address the Board relative to matters of business on and off the agenda. Comments will be limited to three minutes per person).

8. **PRESENTATION**

Recognition of Past President Steve Tye for his service in 2015

Due to Trustee Tye's absence, this item was continued to the March 10, 2016 meeting.

9. **CONSENT AGENDA (9.1-9.3)**

VOTE REQUIRED

- 9.1 Consideration of **Minutes 2016-01** of regular Board Meeting held on January 14, 2016. (***EXHIBIT A***)
- 9.2 Consideration of **Resolution 2016-03** Authorizing Payment of Attached Requisition January 1, 2016 through January 31, 2016. (***EXHIBIT B***)
- 9.3 Consideration of the County of Los Angeles Negotiated Tax Exchange Resolution (NTER), for Petition No. 41-613. This resolution authorizes the County of Los Angeles and GLACVCD to collectively approve and accept the negotiated exchange of ad valorem property tax revenue resulting from the annexation of the subject territory identified in the resolution to provide revenue to the County Lighting Maintenance District (CLMD) 1687. A copy of the letter from the County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works requesting these resolutions are attached. (***EXHIBIT C***)

Analysis: The NTERs from the County of Los Angeles are similar to previous L.A. County tax sharing resolutions and seek to generate revenue to partially fund the services of CLMD 1687 as noted above. Similar resolutions have previously been adopted by the Board; territory tract number L 005-2013 relates to funding for the operation and maintenance of new street lighting services for the city of Carson. L 080-2008 relates to funding for the Rowland Heights area. Tract No. 60999 relates to funding for the Saugus Area and Petition No. 13-412 relates to areas in the City of Diamond Bar. Although the District gives up a negligible share of its ad valorem property taxes in these exchanges, in subsequent years, that amount would generally be regained, if not exceeded, due to an increase in property values associated with services provided by the CLMD.

Trustee Deal made a motion to approve the consent calendar. The motion was seconded by Trustee Flowers and approved unanimously.

10. **CONSIDERATION AND RATIFICATION OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2016**
(EXHIBIT D) VOTE REQUIRED

Summary: Board President Maria Davila will structure standing committee assignments for calendar year 2016.

Trustee Newcomer made a motion to approve the Committee Assignments for 2016. The motion was seconded by Trustee Spence and approved unanimously.

11. **REMINDER TO TRUSTEES TO COMPLETE AND FILE ANNUAL CALIFORNIA FORM 700- STATEMENT OF ECONOMIC INTERESTS**

Summary: Each year, Trustees are required to complete and file their annual "Statement of Economic Interest" otherwise known as the "conflict of interest" form. Completion instructions and the form will be available to Trustees during the Board meeting. Trustees who have an email address on record with the LA County Conflict of Interest Division may receive an electronic form for completion. This form can also be obtained online at www.fppc.ca.gov. The District can mail the completed and signed form, if you prefer, or you can have your city do this for you. Monetary penalties (\$10/day) may be assessed for failing to file the form on or before the April 1, 2016 deadline. Upon completion of the form, please send a copy to the District for our records.

General Manager Truc Dever reminded Trustees that Annual Form 700 Statements of Economic Interest are due April 1, 2016. Packets have been provided to those who have not yet filed and Trustees are encouraged to fill these out and return them to staff as soon as possible.

12. **CONSIDERATION OF 4 TRUSTEES TO ATTEND THE MVCAC LEGISLATIVE DAY IN SACRAMENTO, CA ON APRIL 5-6, 2016**

Summary: A legislative training session hosted by MVCAC will be held on April 5th. Legislative meetings will be scheduled on April 6th at the Capitol.

Truc provided an overview of the District's annual participation in the Mosquito & Vector Control Association of California (MVCAC) Legislative Day in Sacramento. This annual event is important to maintain contact with State legislators and provide information on topics of importance to vector control districts across the state. Four staff and four Trustees are budgeted to attend. Trustees Aceituno, Saleh, Secretary-Treasurer Bollman, and President Davila expressed an interest in attending.

Trustee Archuleta made a motion to approve the selection of Trustees to attend Legislative Day. The motion was seconded by Trustee Wassem and approved unanimously.

13. **CONSIDERATION AND VOTE FOR SPECIAL DISTRICT LAFCO REPRESENTATIVE FOR TERM EXPIRING MAY 2016 (EXHIBIT E)**

Summary: The Board should vote for one candidate on the ballot for Special District LAFCO Representative to fill the vacancy beginning May 2016. The candidate receiving the highest number of votes will be declared the special district representative to LAFCO. In the event of a tie, a new election will be held with only the two candidates who constituted a tie on the ballot. Ballots must be returned by 5:00pm on April 8, 2016.

In response to Trustee Flowers' question, Kelly Middleton noted that she had worked with Harold Bissner at San Gabriel Valley Mosquito & Vector Control District where he is currently serving as the Board Chair, and felt he would be a great benefit to the LAFCO Board because of his background and experience. Trustee Spence discussed that he has served for years on the LAFCO board with Donald Dear who is the current LAFCO Vice-Chair and is extremely knowledgeable about LAFCO. Legal Counsel advised that as a voting LAFCO board member, Trustee Spence would need to abstain from the vote.

A vote of the Trustees occurred, and Harold Bissner was selected by a majority vote of the Board.

14. **STAFF PROGRAM REPORTS: JANUARY 2016**

14.1 Manager's Report

Truc directed Trustees to the Contact Information handout and asked them to update these as needed. New Trustee Orientation was scheduled for March 10 between 5-6:30 prior to the next Board

T. Dever, General Manager

Meeting. Following Orientation, staff will also provide a Trustee workshop on the challenges and management strategies for invasive *Aedes*. Truc noted that staff are currently acquiring bids to repair corroded light poles in the parking lot area. Truc also discussed the latest news regarding President Obama's appeal for \$1.8 million for Zika surveillance and response. The AMCA has established a Zika taskforce and will work to try to get Zika funds to local agencies.

14.2 Scientific-Technical: *(Staff Report A)*

S. Klueh, Sci.-Tech Services Dir.

Susanne noted that there has been no WNV activity to date in 2016. She was honored to have been invited to attend a recent Zika planning meeting sponsored by the National Academy of Sciences in Washington DC and provide the vector control perspective on Zika planning needs. In response to the tremendous media attention on the subject, Susanne provided the Board with a presentation about Zika virus and steps the District is taking to prepare for this and other emerging vector-borne disease risks in LA County due to the presence of invasive *Aedes* mosquitoes.

Susanne answered many questions from the Board and provided a brief update on the status of the *Wolbachia* project from 2015. Kelly noted that city staff and councilmembers have already been informed about Zika and additional materials will be included with our spring-time outreach materials sent to cities. Trustee Archuleta thanked Truc and staff for her prompt and thorough response to his request for information for a recent council report.

14.3 Operations: *(Staff Report B)*

M. Daniel, Operations Dir.

Mark noted that staff are fully employed during the winter inspecting the LA floral district, lucky bamboo distributors, tire shops, and cemeteries for invasive *Aedes* concerns. Average nighttime temperatures are being closely monitored for initiation of WNV replication and transmission. He will be providing an update on invasive *Aedes* at the upcoming MVCAC meeting. Mark also thanked Trustees Bollman and Kreisler for their very engaged participation at AMCA.

14.4 Community Affairs: *(Staff Report C)*

K. Middleton, Comm. Affairs Dir.

Kelly reported on the recent LA County press conference in which Truc was invited to participate. The event was very well covered by more than 30 media outlets, and has driven quite a bit of continued news coverage since. Based on current environmental conditions, the Department will be kicking off outreach efforts sooner than normal. Cities hosting spring clean-up or tire drive events are encouraged to contact outreach staff so they can participate and take advantage of these opportunities to promote important yard sanitation messages.

14.5 Fiscal: *(Staff Report D)*

C. Weeks, Finance Director

Carolyn offered to answer any questions from the Board.

14.6 Human Resources: *(Staff Report E)*

R. Thomas, Human Resources Dir.

In Rakesha's absence, Truc provided a report on her behalf. The District has recently posted several job opportunities including Seasonal Mosquito Control Technicians, and the revised Urban Water Program Manager position which are both open until filled.

14.7 Legal Counsel Report

Q. Barrow, Legal Counsel

Legal Counsel had no report for the Board

15. **OTHER**

The Board may consider items not on the agenda provided that the Board complies with the Government Code (Brown Act) §54954.2(b).

Trustee Archuleta noted that the city of Pico Rivera has an excellent cable access station and production staff and offered to assist the Community Affairs Department in the production of a short PSA that can be used on the city's cable access channel and made available to other cities in the District. Kelly thanked Trustee Archuleta for this generous offer and noted that Levy would work with city staff next week to set something up.

Trustees Bollman and Kreisler provided reports on their attendance at the recent AMCA Annual Meeting in Savannah, GA. Trustee Kreisler enjoyed seeing senior staff in action and left with a

better understanding of the reports he often hears during Board Meetings, and of the implications of the important work the District does. Trustee Bollman thanked the Board for sponsoring the two Trustees attendance at the Conference. Trustee Bollman attended 56 presentations over the 3-day conference in both English and Spanish and noted that he was very impressed by the presentations provided by District staff and the quality and arrangements of the symposia.

16. **ADJOURNMENT**

The next Board of Trustees meeting will be scheduled on Thursday, March 10, 2016. The meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m. at the District's headquarters at 12545 Florence Avenue, Santa Fe Springs.

Trustee Aceituno made a motion to adjourn the meeting which was seconded by Trustee Ali. The meeting was adjourned at 7:50PM



President



Secretary-Treasurer