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East Middlesex Mosquito Control Commission, Executive Committee Suffolk County Mosquito Control Commission Meeting Minutes

June 20, 2024
Zoom Video Conferencing Platform

In attendance:

Brian Farless, Superintendent for East Middlesex Mosquito Control Project (EMMCP) and Suffolk County Mosquito Control Project (SCMCP). Representing the East Middlesex Mosquito Control Commission (EMMCC) is Lenny Izzo, chair, Wellesley; Wendy Robinson, Cambridge; and Tony Kiszewski, Concord. Representing the Suffolk County Mosquito Control Commission (SCMCC) is Julien Farland, Leslie Karnes and Sam Lipson.

Brian Farless called the meeting to order at 1:11

1. EMMCC and SCMCC will review minutes from the April 29, 2024 meeting.

The group reviewed the minutes for the April 29, 2024 meeting, and for East Middlesex, Lenny made a motion to approve the minutes, Tony seconded. There was no further discussion and by roll call vote, all were in favor.

For Suffolk County, Sam made a motion to approve the April 29, 2024 minutes, Julien seconded. There was no further discussion and by roll call vote, all were in favor.

2. Discuss a cost of living adjustment (COLA) for FY25.

The Commissions discussed whether a 2% COLA would be appropriate, or if 3% would be more appropriate due to rising cost of living expenses. After discussing, the group decided that a 3% COLA would be appropriate to keep up with rising costs.

For EMMCC, Wendy made a motion to give the EMMCP staff a 3% COLA, Tony seconded. There was no further discussion, and after a roll call vote, all were in favor.

For SCMCP, Leslie made a motion to give the SCMCP staff a 3% COLA, Sam seconded. There was no further discussion, and after a roll call vote, all were in favor.

3. Review the Employment and Salary Plan and update as needed.

The Commissions reviewed the EMMCP and SCMCP Employment and Salary Plan and compared the salary schedules to other mosquito control districts. After a healthy discussion regarding the current salary schedules, the group agreed to continue the discussion at a future meeting. Brian will collect more data and will put this item on a future agenda.

4. New business.

There was no new business.

5. Public comment.

Nobody from the public was in attendance.

6. Adjourn.

The meeting adjourned at 1:48.