

Board Meeting Minutes  
Mosquito Abatement District -Davis  
February 12, 2026

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

Welcome by Board Chair Mike Blackham at 6:02 pm who led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

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

Board members Joel Dills, Brian Horrocks, Danielle King and Michele Swenson joined the meeting by Zoom.

No Conflicts of Interest declared.

VISITORS: Greg White, Dakota Wurth

MINUTES – OF 1/08/2026 BOARD MEETING:

Tyson Roberts motioned to approve the minutes of the 08 January 2026 Board Meeting. Nancy Smalling seconded the motion. All in favor. None opposed. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

TREASURERS REPORT:

Treasurer Scott Isaacson reviewed all the financials and reported that everything is in order.

Jim Grover motioned to accept the Treasurer’s Report. The motion was seconded by Kelly Enquist. 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.

John Crofts motioned to accept the financial statement and approve the payment of bills.

The motion was seconded by Kelly Enquist. All in favor. None opposed. Motion carried.

## MOSQUITO REPORT:

### West Nile Update & Encephalitis Surveillance

The Tree Hole program began the first of February. Great progress has been made. Once the current trees are finished – which is approximately 900 trees – there will be a survey of a ½ mile radius around any trap locations where *Aedes sieriensis* was collected this last summer. The Utah State Vets Office does not collect heart worm data any longer so heart worm case locations are no longer available to the district.

For the benefit of new Board members, Manager Hatch explained about tree hole mosquitoes and the Tree Hole program in greater detail. Tree hole mosquitoes spread dog heartworm.

### Mosquito Treatments, Spray Request, Surveillance

#### Dakota Wurth, Clearfield City Trustee - Report

Dakota Wurth expressed that he had the pleasure to serve on the Mosquito Abatement Board from Clearfield City. In light of Manger Hatch's upcoming Retirement, he honored Manager Hatch with a "Lifetime Mosquito Warrior" award. He paid tribute to Manager Hatch as the "back bone of our mosquito defense" and honored him for his many years on the battleground of mosquito abatement.

## EMPLOYEES:

### Full Time – Manager Position

There was a motion by Scott Isaacson to go into closed session for the purpose of personnel matters. The motion was seconded by John Crofts. All in favor. None opposed. Motion carried. The Board meeting is now in Closed Session and the recording is stopped.

There was a motion to go out of Closed Session by Tyson Roberts. The motion was seconded by Matt Murri. All in favor. None opposed. Motion carried. The Board meeting has returned to Open Session and the recording is back on at 6:34 pm.

Greg White was invited to return to the Board meeting and was introduced to the Board as the candidate recommended by the Hiring/Interview Committee to replace Manager Gary Hatch as the new manager for Mosquito Abatement District – Davis.

Greg introduced himself and told the Board more about his experience and his background.

#### Seasonal Employees

Letters have been sent out to past seasonal employees for the 2026 season. They will have until 10 March 2026 to respond.

#### Night Time Sprayers

Letters have been sent out to past night time sprayers for the 2026 season. They will have until 10 March 2026 to respond.

There was a motion by John Crofts to approve hiring Greg White, as recommended from the Interview Committee, as the new manager for Mosquito Abatement District – Davis. Tyson Roberts seconded the motion. All in favor. None opposed. Motion carried.

#### UTAH STATE RETIREMENT – NEW INVESTMENT PROGRAM:

Utah State Retirement is adding a new Roth 401k and a new Roth 457 investment program to their investment options. They are also adding an automatic enrollment option. The current URS Roth investment option has been very limited in how much employees can contribute to it. With these new investment options, an employee can contribute considerably more to a Roth account. The current district policy is to contribute a 5 ½% match into employee 401K accounts. New employees could be set up as auto enrollment. The district policy of matching 5 ½% will still be deposited into the regular 401K investment account, but employees can choose which investment to allocate their contributions to and still receive the matching 5 ½%. The district must sign a new service agreement to allow employees to contribute to the new Roth 401K and Roth 457 investments as well as to choose auto enrollment into the program when new full time employees are hired.

Mike Blackham asked if there was any additional cost to the district for these new benefits, to which Manager Hatch responded that there is no additional costs to the district, only more options for employees. Manager Hatch must sign the new URS agreement by 6 March 2026.

Scott Isaacson motioned to approve new URS options and agreement. Nancy Smalling seconded the motion. All in favor. None opposed. Motion carried.

## 2026 LEGISLATIVE SESSION:

Manager Hatch reviewed the following bills from the 2026 legislative session and highlighted the effect they could have on mosquito abatement operations.

HB 161 – Property Tax Modification

HB 236 – Truth in Taxation Amendments

HB 309 – Juneteenth Observance Amendments

HB 449 – Utah Taxpayer Oversight of Government Spending Amendments

HB 456 – Pesticide Amendments

HJR 7 – Proposal to Amend Utah Constitution – Property Tax Modifications

SB 23 – Airborne Chemicals Amendments

SB 64 – Government Records Amendments

SB 97 – Property Tax Rate Amendments

SB 238 – Property Tax Adjustments

## 2026 EDUCATION PROGRAM:

Fifty schools have been booked for this March. As it gets closer to March, and the schedule is set, Manager Hatch will send out the school schedule to Board members if anyone is interested in attending one of the presentations.

PONDMON Cards are new for this year. Manger Hatch saw this in a presentation at the Louisiana meeting and brought it back to the staff at Mosquito Abatement District – Davis. Stephanie Warburton has worked hard to get the cards put together with the help of Scott Fidel and Joel Shegrud to make the cards as authentic as possible to trading cards. There are a total of 5 sets with 9 cards in each set.

The Education Program is for 3<sup>rd</sup> grade to 6<sup>th</sup> grade. The students will get the butterflies after Spring Break.

## 2025 FISCAL YEAR FRAUD RISK ASSESSMENT:

One change in the Fraud Risk Assessment is that the State Auditor's Office is requiring proof of compliance on line items to be provided to the auditor when the audit is done annually.

There was a motion to approve the 2025 Fraud Risk Assessment by Tyson Roberts. The motion was seconded by Jim Grover. All in favor. None opposed. Motion carried.

#### PESTICIDE BUILDING/FACILITY UPGRADE CONSTRUCTION ARCHITECTURE:

##### CMGC – Contract Report

CMGC contract had a few small changes and should be signed by this week.

##### 30% Budget Numbers

30% numbers came in from City Creek at \$7,968,048. Galloway's 30% estimate is \$7,887,962. There is a 1% difference in their estimate (\$80,086). Both City Creek and Galloway feel good about where the project is at and that everything is on track with the project.

Board Chair Mike Blackham stated that at this point the Board must decide whether to move forward in the construction process. The recommendation is to move on in the process. He would entertain a motion to move on.

Manager Hatch stated that the payment would be \$850,000 for a 15-year bond. Down the road the district must decide if it is best to stay with the 15-year bond or if it would be better to do a ten year bond. The important thing is to stay in with the \$850,000 payment. The bank will start putting numbers together for the bond.

John Crofts asked about the district entertaining discussions with more than one bond agency to which Manager Hatch stated they can check other options for the lease buy back bond.

There was a Board discussion on figures for a ten or fifteen year bond; what would happen if there was a pause on construction, and the cost savings made by hiring the construction management team on the project.

Scott Isaacson motioned to approve the continued movement towards construction. The motion was seconded by Kelly Enquist to keep construction moving forward. All in favor. None opposed. Motion carried.

#### EQUIPMENT:

##### Maintenance

##### Equipment Update

The new trucks are here. The new ATV's are here and the mechanic is getting them ready for the field.

### Mapping Drone Bid

Scott Fidel, drone pilot, would like to try to use a mapping drone. The mapping drone uses thermal energy to get through vegetation and find water. There are locations where the field crew cannot get through the frag to the water.

Mapping Drone – DJI Matrice 4T Thermal Enterprise Drone with 3 batteries – The best bid was from Cover Drones at \$7,649.00.

### Track ATV Trailer Bid

The district is transitioning to all aluminum trailers. There is less maintenance and it is easier to pull with the truck. The bid for an aluminum trailer for two tracked ATV's from Lakefront Auto Sales is \$7,950.00. The trailer is 7 foot wide and 18 feet long.

### Water Heater Bid

The water heater went out last fall due to a water leak on top of it. The water leak also fried the board and operating system of the computer system on top of it and also filled the burner with water. Spiers did the original install. The replacement cost is \$12,868.00 for the 150 gallon water heater.

Mike Blackham asked where the money was coming from for the water heater replacement, to which Manager Hatch stated there is money for this in Building Improvements.

Marie Dougherty motioned to approve the bid for the mapping drone, track ATV trailer and the water heater. Michele Swenson seconded the motion. All in favor. None opposed. Motion carried.

### BOARD TRAVEL & MEETINGS 2026:

- a) UMAA Annual Meeting – Oct 26-28, 2026 – Ogden
- b) MVCAC Annual Meeting – Feb 1-4, 2026 – Rancho Mirage, CA
- c) AMCA Annual Meeting – Mar 23-27, 2026 – Portland, OR

UMAA will be held in Ogden. Legislation states that travel must be greater than 50 miles away for overnight stays at a hotel. Manager Hatch asked Board members for feedback on the logistics of staying for the banquet with Board members driving to the UMAA Meeting.

Mike Blackham suggested it would be helpful for Board members to stay for the banquet if they could start it an hour earlier. He feels the majority of board members would like that and stay for it.

Greg White reported on the MVCAC Meeting in California. He reported that the California Association had many good presentations with split days to choose which ones to go to. There was a presentation about the VectorSurv program that collects data which would be helpful for other districts to be able to see. California had one of the lowest years on record for West Nile virus. Research and improvements are ongoing in California. He felt it was a very well run meeting this year.

Manager Hatch reported that Kelly Enquist, Cheylynn Hayman, and Scott Isaacson will be attending the AMCA Annual Meeting in Portland, Oregon this year. Staff attending will be Manager Gary Hatch, Future Manager Greg White, Liz Hart, and Paul Gines.

**BOARD MEMBER/TRAVEL LIST:**

Manager Hatch asked Board members to check their information on the Board member list and give him any updates to it so he can make the changes.

**BOARD MEMBER REPORTS:**

None

**ADJOURN:**

There was a motion to adjourn by Nancy Smalling. The motion was seconded by Julie Robertson. The MAD-D Board meeting adjourned at 7:28 pm.

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3/12/2026  
Scott Isaacson, Treasurer

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Shirley Cox, Clerk