

MMAD Board Meeting Minutes May 2, 2022

Board members present: Jeanette Kopell, Chace Gholson, Mike Binyon, Sarah Stock, Tim Graham

Board members absent: none

Others present: Michele Rehbein

Meeting began 5:35 p.m.

- One citizen asked if the MMAD was doing a mosquito fish program, Michele told them the district does not but recommended some places he could get to stock ponds. Other than that, no other citizen comments.
- Discussion of native fish predators for mosquito larvae.
- Sarah Stock brought up Zach Ahrens from DWR mentioning the district finding ways to not remove as many dams in the wetland. There was discussion around having one part of an ecosystem such as a beaver dam but missing other parts such as native fish or aquatic insects to take the role of predation on mosquito larvae, then you're left with an increase of standing, stagnant water as mosquito habitat. More discussion should be done between those conducting projects within the wetland to help mitigate the mosquito issue there yet be beneficial to the wetland.
- Mike Binyon moved to approve the April meeting minutes, Sarah seconded. All voted in favor to approve.
- Quinn Hall came out a few weeks prior to do a site visit to follow up on the building lease. Some of the things discussed were parking, inside office space, pesticide storage building for mosquito and weeds dept., the roof and whether it would be better to add a new building into the County budget. Michele and Izzi will think about these plans and do more research on these topics.
- Mike asked about Michael Carlson and when he would return. He brought up that he will have to return soon as the season picks up. Michele said Shanon has been doing much of the larval ID and will set mosquito traps. Michele mentioned she would like Michael to take part more in educational programs this season. There was discussion of his need to return in the near future for these hands on responsibilities for his role.
- Jeanette Kopell moves to approve manager's report and bills, Sarah seconded. All voted in favor.
- Michele discussed the UMAA Spring Workshop coming up Friday, May 13 in Salt Lake City. Herself and some of the crew will be attending and will receive CEUs for it.
- Michele explained Steve Elliott from the Western IPM Center is tentatively planning to visit MMAD on May 17 to discuss the grant project with her and take photos.
- Sarah moved to adjourn.

Meeting adjourned at 6:12 p.m.