Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the East Side Mosquito Abatement District, November 12, 2019, District Office 2000 Santa Fe Avenue, Stanislaus County, California

**Trustees Present:** 

Chairman Schmidt

Secretary Webb Trustee Greenwood Trustee Johnstad

Excused:

Vice-Chairman Ott

**Others Present:** 

District Manager J. Wakoli Wekesa, PhD

David Mackowiak, HRP

John Bliss, SCI Consulting Group

Chairman Schmidt called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Public Comments - None

The minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 8, 2019 were read and approved upon the motion of Trustee Greenwood, seconded by Trustee Johnstad. The motion carried unanimously.

Trustee Johnstad moved, seconded by Trustee Greenwood that Warrants Numbered 34308 through 34342 totaling \$34,711.44 be approved for payment. The motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Wekesa read the Manager's Report for October 9, 2019 through November 12, 2019. Trustee Greenwood moved, seconded by Trustee Johnstad that the Manager's Report be approved and made a part of the minutes. The motion carried unanimously.

The Board of Trustees went in to closed session at 8:00 p.m. and came out of closed session at 8:10 p.m. No action taken.

Resolution #140-2019 establishing a one-time (3%) performance bonus for the Administrative Services Officer/Clerk to the Board (ASO). Trustee Johnstad moved, seconded by Trustee Greenwood to approve Resolution #140-2019. The motion carried unanimously.

Resolution #141-2019 establishing a new payroll system conversion to 26 pay periods was presented to the Board. Trustee Greenwood moved, seconded by Trustee Johnstad to approve Resolution #141-2019. The motion carried unanimously.

John Bliss President of SCI Consulting Group presented on the benefit assessment process. He explained the administration of benefit assessment, fees, and special taxes for public agencies looking to augment their funding resources. East Side Mosquito Abatement District is a dependent Pest Abatement Agency operating under the County Board of Supervisors. Staff to consult county whether a special tax or benefit assessment applies to the District. Once ready a survey maybe necessary before ballot. The survey cost is approximately \$25,000 to \$35,000. The board was advised deadline of August 10, 2020 for regularly scheduled vote to get the assessment on the 20-21 property tax bill. SCI Consulting recommends no sunset clause and attach CPI. The District will consult and decide on the direction to go, and then request approval from the Board of Supervisors.

Dr. Wekesa presented fiscal year ending June 30, 2019 auditors report for review and approval. Trustee Greenwood moved, seconded by Trustee Johnstad to approve FY 18-19 auditor's report.

Dr. Wekesa announced the upcoming AMCA meeting being held in Portland, Oregon March 15-20, 2020. Chairman Schmidt and Trustee Johnstad will attend.

Dr. Wekesa reported California Choice health care premiums will go up 9% effective January 1, 2020.

Dr. Wekesa reported one general correspondence from Brad Anderson of Rancho Mirage, California.

There being no further business Trustee Greenwood moved, seconded by Trustee Johnstad to adjourn at 8:43 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.

Anna Webb

Secretary to the Board