



Commissioners  
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Jeanne Galloway – Chair  
Gregory Lewis  
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# The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

State Reclamation & Mosquito Control Board

## Pioneer Valley Mosquito Control District

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District Director  
John Briggs

### Meeting Minutes

**Date:** Tuesday, May 14, 2024

**Time:** 2:00 PM

**Location:** Virtual

1. Call to Order and Attendance
  - a. The meeting was called to order at 2:08 PM.
  - b. Commissioners in attendance: Jennifer Brown, Jeanne Galloway, Greg Lewis, and Carolyn Ness.  
Also in attendance: John Briggs, Director of Pioneer Valley Mosquito Control District (PVMCD), and Susan Gruen from the Heath Board of Health.
2. Public Comment/Output
3. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes (Vote Required)
  - a. Carolyn made a motion to approve the minutes and Jennifer seconded. The vote passed 4-0.
4. Operations Update
  - a. John reported that pilot mitigation services had started. Roughly 3 acres of mosquito habitat was treated in Deerfield with Bti.
  - b. John would update the State Reclamation Board (SRB) during the June 12<sup>th</sup> meeting regarding the ditch maintenance program and the district's growth in the past year.
5. Seasonal Staff Update
  - a. The internship position will likely be filled in the coming weeks and the seasonal entomologist's first day is May 20<sup>th</sup>.
6. Finance Report
  - a. Additional revenue for the 2024 fiscal year will be \$5,849.16 from pilot mitigation services.
7. Outreach Update
  - a. The Spring newsletter was recently sent out to member community contacts.
  - b. The Community Public Health Service is hosting a tabletop exercise meeting on June 24<sup>th</sup> in which John will participate in.
8. Commissioner Update
  - a. A candidate is scheduled to be interviewed during the June 16<sup>th</sup> SRB meeting.
9. Other Business
  - a. None
10. Date, Time, and Location of Next Commission Meeting
  - a. May 16, 2024, at 9 AM.
11. Adjournment
  - a. Carolyn made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Jennifer seconded. The vote passed 4-0.