

Minutes of Budget Hearing
Pasco County Mosquito Control District
2308 Marathon Road, Odessa, FL 33556
September 20, 2023

Budget Hearing of the Board of Commissioners was called to order at the District office on September 20, 2023, at 5:02 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Those present from the District were Chairperson Cox, Treasurer Abbott, Secretary Evans, Executive Director Rogers, Michele Donagrandi, Karen Mojica, and Maria Johnson.

Approval of Agenda: Commissioner Evans motioned to approve the agenda; all approved.

Public Comment: Ms. Rebecca Yuengling asked that the meetings be live streamed for more transparency. She then requested information about the helicopters used for treatment and would like to know if PCMCD lets their citizens know when treatment from the helicopters will be used for their area. Executive Director Rogers explained that the District does not post larvicide treatments via helicopter ahead of time because ariel treatment plans are not executed until the actual day it is decided to treat those areas. The decisions for treatments are based on data that is collected each day and often, treatments are added in real time as the helicopter is already flying in any particular geographic area. However, the District does post ULV nighttime adulticide missions planned each day as well as aerial adulticide missions. Executive Director Rogers went on to explain that all citizens may either call in to the office if they have questions about the helicopters flying in their area or they can go to the PCMCD website after 3:30pm the following day to see which areas have planned treatment by the ULV trucks (weather permitting).

Ms. Cathy Julian stated that she would like more awareness about the use of our helicopters and asked why the District financials are not on the website. Executive Director Rogers stated citizens could call our office for information about ariel treatments. The Commissioners also suggested that the citizens of Pasco County, including Ms. Julian, are welcome to physically tour the facility where they would gain an appreciation for the great efforts being made and the technology that is used on behalf of the health of Pasco's citizens. Executive Director Rogers stated that the financials for the FY 2023-2024 were not posted to the website because they had not yet been finalized. She continued to state that financial information is, in fact, posted on the website once it is approved by the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services. Financials for previous years are available on the District's website and all information is available upon request to any citizen. All Commissioners stated that they were in full support of Executive Director Rogers and her ability to oversee the operations and finances of the District.

New Business:

- A. Commissioner Abbott made a motion to adopt the Final Millage Rate for Fiscal Year 2023-2024; all approved.
- B. Commissioner Evans made a motion to adopt the Final Budget for Fiscal Year 2023-2024; all approved.

Good of the Order:

- A. None.

Meeting Adjourned:

Commissioner Evans made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:22 p.m.; all approved. Meeting Adjourned.

Date: 10/16/2023 Attested: 