

**TOWN OF RYE**  
**MOSQUITO CONTROL COMMISSION**  
**Tuesday, May 15, 2018**  
**5:00 p.m. – Rye Town Hall**

*Members Present: Chairman Tom Aspinwall, Vice-Chair Tim Sanborn, and Commissioner Denis Lipman*

**I. Call to Order**

Chairman Aspinwall called the meeting to order at 5:07 p.m.

**II. Meeting Minutes – April**

- **Tabled to the next meeting**

**III. Old Business**

**1. Resident Concern**

Chairman Aspinwall noted the Town received a call from a concerned resident at 112 Grove Road in regards to people who were larviciding near his property. They were crossing his property to access their truck; however, they were not treating his property. The resident does not want pesticides on his property. He wanted to make sure this was a just a mistake and is not going to occur all through the season. Sarah MacGregor, from Dragon, is aware of the situation and she will do her best to make sure there are no more issues.

**2. Status of Greenhead Traps**

Chairman Aspinwall noted that Ms. MacGregor has been working on the greenhead traps. The traps do not have to be out in the marsh until the third week in June. The greenheads are soil maggots and start out in the mud in the marshes. They survive on the organic material in the mud and pupae into greenheads, which are nasty biting insects. The intent is to have 144 traps in the marshes. He continued that he has spoken with a resident at 21 Brackett Road who has requested traps around his property, as this is a prime territory for greenheads and mosquitos.

## **IV. New Business**

### **1. Monthly Activity Reports**

Sarah MacGregor sent copies of the activity report to the Commission for their review. The report noted the date and location of the surveys and larvicide applications. The general procedure is that a survey is done and if activity warrants it a treatment is done with larvicide or with an agent that is a paraffinic oil. The report shows that Dragon Mosquito Control is on schedule for services.

Chairman Aspinwall reviewed the invoice from Dragon Mosquito Control dated May 1<sup>st</sup>, which looked consistent with what was projected and budgeted.

**Motion by Tom Aspinwall to approve Invoice 29814 in the amount of \$8,000 for Dragon Mosquito Control. Seconded by Denis Lipman. All in favor.**

Note: *Tim Sanborn joined the meeting at 5:16 p.m.*

### **2. Town of Rye Newsletter**

Chairman Aspinwall noted that Ms. MacGregor wrote an article for the Commission for the Town's newsletter. He passed out a copy of the article for the Commissioners' review.

The Commission discussed minor edits to the article. Chairman Aspinwall will make the changes to the article and will email a copy of the draft to the Commissioners. If he does not hear back regarding any issues or changes, he will submit the article to the Selectmen's Secretary, Janice Ireland, to meet the deadline.

Vice-Chair Sanborn reviewed the invoice that was approved before he joined the meeting and agreed with the approval.

### **3. Other New Business**

Commissioner Lipman reviewed the locations where he has put up tick posters in Town. There was discussion on other possible locations for the poster.

**Next Meeting Date:  
June 19<sup>th</sup>, 5:00 p.m., Rye Town Hall**

**Adjournment**

**Motion by Tim Sanborn to adjourn at 5:35 p.m. Seconded by Denis Lipman. All in favor.**

Respectfully Submitted, Dyana F. Ledger