

Lemon Fair Insect Control District
Tuesday, June 6, 2017
Cornwall, VT

1. Call to order: 5:05

Present: David Dodge, Christine Chapline, Chuck Burkins, Gary Rodes, Dinah Bain, Craig Zondag, Melissa Lourie

2. Approve May minutes: May minutes are approved

3. Treasurer's Report:

Cash Forward: \$31,415

Cash received: \$46,918.55

Disbursements: \$19,735.79

Cash on hand: \$58,598.54

Accounts Payable: \$0

Accounts Receivable: \$10,000

Net current assets: \$68,598.54

The Treasurer's report is approved.

4. GIS update (Gary Rodes):

Lowest price quote for ArcGIS is \$1350 for 1st year, \$400/year after to maintain support.

The LFICD does not have a desktop computer with the necessary video card (which we think could be purchased for under \$2000).

A motion was made to buy the Arc GIS "seat", which includes software for a primary desktop computer and a field laptop computer for \$1358, and also to purchase a desktop computer, not to exceed \$2200, both subject to partial reimbursement by the VAA.

The motion passed unanimously.

David Dodge will confirm with Tim Schmalz that the purchases will qualify for 75% reimbursement.

Gary is working with William Hegman (GIS instructor at Middlebury college) to potentially get a Middlebury student to help with LIDAR data as a student project.

5. Field Condition Update:

The district was contacted by Tom Vanacore (Bridport) who has concerns about mosquitoes in the maple swamp in the Lemon Fair near Hemenway Rd. Craig went to the swamp and marked areas with pin flags to be used as test sites. The swamp is about 140 acres and pockmarked with cradle knolls, not a large wet area, so the puddled spots are hard to monitor. Craig is treating the area prophylactically with briquettes.

Craig reports that Patti Casey will no longer be the vector specialist for the VAA. Her position will be taken over by another VAA technician.

New field tech: There were 2 good responses to the ad for potential part time techs. Craig plans to utilize both people in the field.

Citizen calls: Craig touched base with Mike Bordeleau (Frosty Lane, Bridport), who has had problems before. Craig will put up a light trap on his property. Craig found Culex mosquitoes there (WNV), and the potential for Culiseta melinura (EEE vector). Craig has suggested this property to Tim Schmalz as a site for VAA resting box traps.

For complaints on private property where mosquito habitat has been created—Tim says we can treat in any area that we have submitted on, or amended to, the treatment maps that have been approved.

There have been 3 hand treatments so far this season with Vectobac (two in the Cornwall Swamp and one in Weybridge). It took about 9 people-hours (and 1 bag of Vectobac) to treat 10 acres. Craig will ask Will Mathis again to come up with a price for the use of the BLSG's ARGO to treat in the LFICD—the Cornwall Swamp “meadows” is a potential area where the ARGO could be used.

More bti briquettes have been ordered from Adapco.

Craig needs to order 3 more CO2 tanks.

Craig asked for permission to order a table for the lab for \$74. The purchase request was approved.

6. VAA update

David connected with Tim Schmalz; there are no problems with the mosquito budget from the VAA.

7. New Business:

The complaint line needs to be better advertised—Weybridge newsletter, FPF, Cornwall newsletter.

8. Adjourn: 6:50

Next Meeting: July 11, 2017, Bridport Town Hall, 5:00