

DELANO MOSQUITO ABATEMENT DISTRICT

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING

May 21, 2026

CALL TO ORDER

Trustee Mario Nunez, Jr. called the meeting to order at 11:30 a.m. in the District Board Room.

ROLL CALL AND ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM

Trustees Present – Armendariz (arrived at 11:47 a.m.), Nunez, Perales, Cano, and Alexander all present.

Others Present – Thai Thao, Manager; Sergio Vega, Assistant Manager; Sara Perez, Administrative Assistant; Mark Albert, CPA

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND INVOCATION

The Flag Salute was led by Trustee Nunez.

PUBLIC COMMUNICATION

Trustee Nunez opened the floor to public communication. There were no public comments at the district and no comments submitted on Zoom. Trustee Nunez closed public communication.

PRESENTATION

Trustee Nunez opened the floor to Presentations. Mark Albert with Albert & Associates, LLP presented the Fiscal Year-End 2024 – 2025 financial audit.

CONSENT AGENDA

Trustee Nunez proceeded to request approval of the district bills and payroll for the month of April, and minutes of the Regular Board of Trustees Meeting held on April 16, 2026. A motion was made by Trustee Cano, seconded by Trustee Alexander and a 4 – 0 – 1 abstain roll call vote: Perales Aye, Armendariz Abstain, Alexander Aye, Cano Aye, Nunez Aye carried to approve the district bills in the amount of \$124,427.36 and the minutes of the Regular Board of Trustee Meeting of April 16, 2026.

INFORMATION AND PROPOSALS

Under Item VII-A-i Manager Report, Manager Thao reviewed his submitted report with the Board, highlighting the onboarding of Seasonal Mosquito Technicians, the installation of the mini-split unit, the purchase of stainless countertop for the lab, the participation in both McFarland and Delano Cinco De Mayo Parades, attendance of staff at yearly Media Day, funding letter sent to Senator Hurtado's staff, attendance at multiple meetings which include the SSJVR meeting, MVCAC Board meeting, Tulare Public Health Department meeting, as well as a CSDA webinar.

Under Item VII-A-iii Operation Report, Assistant Manager Vega presented his written report highlighting early season operations, stocking of Mosquitofish and relocation, In-House Lab Storage cement slab project completion, seasonal onboarding and trainings, yard, shop & facility improvements, 2025 annual report nearing completion, public relations and community outreach efforts, Seasonal chemical & training updates, long term planning and district accomplishments, and quad spray redesigned In-House. Assistant Manager Vega also submitted his Accomplishment Summary as well as a 5-year Strategic Plan for the District. A Cost Comparison for the Cement Slab Project was also submitted outlining the total savings on this project to be between six and twelve thousand dollars.

Under Item VII-A-iiii Financial Report, Administrative Assistant, Sara Perez updated the Board with monthly Financial Reports comparing April's current numbers with the same period last year and gave totals of all financial accounts. There were zero dental/vision claims for April. Petty Cash detail was given with zero activity.

OLD BUSINESS

Under item IX of Old Business: District Policy #2110 Health and Welfare Benefits. After discussion, President Nunez asked that the current policy be updated to document benefits. Motion was made by Trustee Nunez, seconded by Trustee Alexander with a 5 – 0 roll call vote: Cano Aye, Armendariz Aye, Perales Aye, Alexander Aye, Nunez Aye; to update policy and table item until the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Under item X-A: Accept Fiscal Year-End 2024-2025 Financial Audit Report. The Board reviewed the District's Fiscal Year-End 2024-2025 Financial Audit Report ending June 30, 2025. Following review, a motion was made by Trustee Cano, seconded by Trustee Perales with 5 – 0 roll call vote: Alexander Aye, Armendariz Aye, Perales Aye, Cano Aye, Nunez Aye; to accept and file the District's Fiscal Year-End 2024-2025 Financial Audit report.

Under item X-B: Action to Approve Amendments to District Policy #3120 Expense Authorization. The Board was asked to review and approve amendments made to Policy #3120 Expense Authorization. Amendments included language to remove and discontinue maintenance of a District petty cash fund. The District will transition over to a cashless system. After review and discussion, a motion was made by Trustee Cano, seconded by Trustee Perales with 5 – 0 roll call vote: Alexander Aye, Armendariz Aye, Perales Aye, Cano Aye, Nunez Aye; to approve amendments to Policy #3120 Expense Authorization.

Under item X-C: Approve District Staff to Attend the 2026 CSDA Annual Conference. The District Manager presented the California Special District Association's (CSDA) Annual Conference schedule and estimated cost of attendance. The Manager asked the Board to authorize staff and any interested Board members to attend the 2026 CSDA Annual Conference held in Palm Desert, CA on August 25th – 27th, 2026. It was determined that District Manager Thao; Assistant Manager Vega, Administrative Assistant Perez as well as Trustee Cano will attend the conference. After discussion, a motion was made by made by Trustee Cano, seconded by Trustee Alexander with 5 – 0 roll call vote: Cano Aye, Armendariz Aye, Perales Aye, Nunez Aye, Alexander Aye; to approve District Manager Thao, Assistant Manager Vega, Administrative Assistant Perez and Trustee Cano to attend the 2026 CSDA Annual Conference.

Under item X-D: Action to Approve District Two-Year Fiscal Budget. District Manager Thao presented a two-year 2026-2027 through 2027-2028 fiscal budget with supporting documentation. After review and discussion, a motion was made by Trustee Nunez, seconded by Trustee Cano with 5 – 0 roll call vote: Cano Aye, Armendariz Aye, Perales Aye, Nunez Aye, Alexander Aye; to table the budget.

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

Under item XI Board Member Reports, Trustee Nunez asked if there were any reports or announcements from members of the Board. Trustee Cano commented staff are doing a great job. Trustee Nunez acknowledged and commended District staff across all departments for their excellent work and ongoing contributions to the District.

ADJOURNMENT

Under item XII Adjournment, the date for the Board Meeting was noted – June 18, 2026 at 11:30 a.m. at the District Office. A motion was made by Trustee Cano, seconded by Trustee Armendariz and a 5 – 0 roll call vote: Cano Aye, Armendariz Aye, Perales Aye, Nunez Aye, Alexander Aye; carried to adjourned the meeting at 1:04 p.m.



Rolando Perales, Secretary of the Board