

MINUTES
CHARLESTOWN MOSQUITO ABATEMENT COUNCIL (CMAC)
SITE VISIT MEETING
FRIDAY, MAY 23, 2014 AT 9:00 AM
OPEN MEETING – NINIGRET PARK SENIOR CENTER

FINAL

1. CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 9:18 am by Mac Richardson.

2. ROLL CALL:

Present: Council Members: Irv Ziegler, Jack Kells, Mac Richardson (chairman and recording secretary), Tom Gentz (Town Council President and CMAC liaison)

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Minutes of the April 25, 2014 meeting were approved with no additions or corrections. Motion to accept the minutes as read made by Irv Ziegler, seconded by Jack Kells. VOTE: Irv Ziegler – aye, Jack Kells – aye. All in favor – MOTION PASSED.

4. OLD BUSINESS:

- a. **Season Start up, May 7, 2014** – Mac reported that eight traps were readied and started on May 7th. Irv reported that he checked the traps on May 22nd and four traps were off. He was able to restart three.
- b. **New trap location underway at Charlestown Beach** – Mac indicated he had met with Jay Primiano to confirm the site for the 9th trap. The site has a macadam surface and the major question to be resolved is how to secure the cage to the macadam. Jay will make inquiries to DPW. The “Executive” model trap will be installed at the new location and the back-up trap will be the donated/repaired trap.
- c. **Partial order new supplies received** – Mac has received a partial order of supplies, enough to get us through this maintenance period. The balance will arrive later.
- d. **Budget balance for current year** – Mac reported we have spent about \$2300 of our \$3,000 available. Two more expenses before the end of June include propane for maintenance and installation of the 9th trap.
- e. **Jar trap progress** – Mac produced three ready to go jar traps, two with painted bottoms to create a dark space. They will be placed in the Beach trap cages and will contain leaf-strewn water and an octanol tab. More traps will be added as they are completed. One Council member suggested a way to kill any collected mosquito larvae might be to put a Bt dunk in the jar trap.
- f. **Letter to Charlestown Blog: mosquito awareness, new CMAC members** – Mac said a Blog entry has not yet been completed.
- g. **Maintenance/meeting schedule for summer...conflicts** – Mac anticipated no major conflicts except for a delayed, scheduled maintenance in mid-August.

5. NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Octanol available in bulk? – Mac would like to source out bulk octanol to reduce costs for the octanol tabs. He will continue looking.
- b. Magnet trap at Mud Cove – No interest at this point

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

7. SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING: Friday June 13, 2014 will be a Site Visit meeting at 9:00 am at the Senior Center.

8. ADJOURNMENT:

Motion made by Jack Kells to adjourn the meeting. Motion seconded by Irv Ziegler. VOTE: Jack Kells – aye, Irv Ziegler – aye. All in favor – MOTION PASSED. Meeting adjourned at 9:42 am.

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