Notice of Public Hearing

Bear River Mosquito Abatement District Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 (FY2024)

Bear River Mosquito Abatement District will hold a public hearing pursuant to Idaho code 62-802A for consideration of the proposed budget for the fiscal year October 1, 2023 to September 30, 2024. This hearing will be held at the City Hall, Montpelier, Id. At 3:00 PM on August 2nd 2023. All interested parties are invited to appear and show cause if any why such budget should or should not be adopted.

	FY 2022 Actual Expenditures	FY 2023 Estimated Expenditures		FY 2024 Proposed Expenditures
Chemicals	$27,047.00	$32,000.00		$30,000.00
Aerial Spraying	$48,840.00	$47,000.00		$49,000.00
Wages & Payroll Taxes	$25,120.00	$22,000.00		$26,500.00
Insurance	$2,489.00	$2,300.00		$2,600.00
Other Expenses	$10,033.00	$13,000.00		$11,000.00
Capital Outlay	$49,672.00	$7,437.00		$11,239.00
Miscellaneous	$1,100.00	$1,000.00		$1,200.00
Audit	$4,170.00	$3,100.00		$4,200.00
Total Expenditures	$168,471.00	$127,837.00		$135,739.00

	Actual Revenues	Estimated Revenues		Estimated Revenues
Taxes	$123,176.00	$104,191.00	X	$112,739.00
Interest Income	$1,984.00	$3,932.00	X	$2,154.00
Other	$12,300.00	$1,100.00	X	$1,000.00
Sales Tax Revenue	$0.00	$15,500.00	X	$16,136.00
Gain-Loss on investments	-$17,368.00	$0.00	X	$0.00
Replacement Money	$0.00	$3,114.00	X	$3,710.00
Total Revenue	$120,092.00	$127,837.00		$135,739.00

- Minutes of the 2024 of the Bear River Mosquito Abatement District

The annual dinner meeting of the BRMAD was held April 15, 2024 at Cooper's restaurant. Members in attendance were Chairman Lynn Keetch, Lynn Lloyd, Nina Nelson, Rod Jacobson, Mary Lin Romrell, and manager Stephen Portella and their spouses. The drivers, DeLoy Romrell, Kaylene Parker, Karl Parker, Darla Lloyd, Gary and Sylvia Teuscher, and Curt Hill and guest were also in attendance.

After a great meal, the meeting was called to order by Chairman Lynn Keetch and he asked Gary Teuscher CPA to present the audit and annual financial report to the board. Rod Jacobson motioned to approve the audit and Mary Lin Romrell seconded. The motion was unanimously approved. Gary Teuscher then asked if he could leave. The board told Gary Teuscher, we appreciated his work and thanked him for coming.

Mary Lin Romrell then read the minutes of the 2023 BRMAD meeting. There were a couple of items that were discussed and needed to be fixed in the minutes. The motion was made by Rod Jacbson and Nina Nelson seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.

There was discussion about the money that was in the LPL Financial and it was decided that the money needed to be taken out of LPL Financial and put in a money market account immediately. The board felt the money needed to be assessable and not tied up in the stock market. Mary Lin Romrell made the motion, Nina Nelson seconded and the motion was unanimously approved.

Mr. Portella handed out the information that he had for the board.
The board was asked to sign a paper for Bear Lake County requesting that we get the forgone money 1 year back with the 3% increase in 2023. Each member of the board signed the paper and Mr. Portela will send it to them.

CASH ON HAND

The CD at Mountain America Credit Union was $59,405.63 and that money was put in LPL Financial last December along with the other money that was invested in LPL financial and made a total amount of $142,929.74. That money will now be put in a money market account.

Checking account balance is $90,891.83. Mr.Portela informed the board that the chemicals for the 2024 summer have already been paid for and delivered.

Total cash last year was $218,860.84 and this year on the same date, the amount is $233,821.57.

CHEMICALS ON HAND at the end of spraying 2023

110 gallons Kontrol 4X4 diluted
2 cases of Altosid 30 Bricketts
80# Metalarvs-pellets
71 gallons Kontrol 30X30 concentrate

PRODUCTS FOR 2024:

10-30 gallon drums Kontrol 30X30
20- 55 gallon drums oil

This will give us enough chemicals for 2 aerial sprayings plus 1045 gallons of diluted Kontrol 4X4 for foggers.

4-40# bags of Altosid P-35 larva side pellets
3- Altasaid 30 day briquettes
15 gallons of Aquabac XT (for treating streams for Black Fly)

The cost of these chemicals was $37,895.00.

Mr. Portela reported that after talking to other districts our current program of chemicals is still the best option for BRMAD.

ESTIMATED EXPENSES FOR SUMMER 2024

Chemical $37,895.00….Mr. Portela will plan to buy and pay for chemicals for 2025 this fall like the last two summers. Estimated cost of about $38,000.00
Estimated wages and payroll taxes for 20224 is $26,000.00. The cost for 2023 was $24,561.00

SPRAYING

Aerial application for 2 full sprayings 82,000 acres @.74 is $60,680. Curt Hill, the pilot will be doing the spraying
Again and he didn't increase his cost. Last year, 2023 there was approximately 1 1/2 sprayings and the total cost was $47,497.00 The estimated cost for 2023 is approximately $48,000.00.

INSURANCE, AUDIT, FUEL SUPPLIES, MISC

The total costs for 2023 was $14, 920.00 and the estimated cost for 2024 is $16,000.
In total the estimated cost for 2024 season will be approximately $128,000.00
The total funds available for 2024 will be approximately $130,551.00

Budget hearing is scheduled for August 28, 2024 at 3 p.m. at the Montpelier City Hall.

FUEL

We will buy our fuel from Hansen Oil, so that we can use non-ethanol premium fuel in the foggers and regular fuel in the pickups.

TRUCKS

2009 NISSON Pickup: bought May 2015 for $16,500 with 64,311 miles. Presently there is 81,610 miles .

2013 Ford white bought May 2016 for $18,923 with 24,521 miles. Presently there is 32,907 miles .

2019 Dodge Ram bought July 2019 for $25,217.00 brand new, presently there is 14,144 miles

2021 Ford Red F150 bought new February 2022 for $30,471.52. Presently there is 5,952 miles
The trucks were pressure sprayed last fall and all are in excellent shape for shape. Each truck and fogger was service by Hi-Tech last fall.

We currently have 4 London foggers and all are working. The foggers will be calibrated on April 17, 2024

DRIVERS:

Kaylene Parker, Darla Lloyd and DeLoy Romrell will continue to spray in their respective areas for the 2024 year. The current salary for drivers is $18.88

Mr. Portela and Mary Lin and DeLoy Romrell attended the Utah Mosquito convention in Snowbird in October2023 and Mary Lin reported on it to the board. She felt she was informed and it was educational and worth the time. The Utah Mosquito convention will be held in St. George in October 2024 and any of the board is invited to attend…just let Mr. Portela know so he can make reservations.

Proposal for summer 2024:

*Mr. Portela will continue to use the 2009 Nissan truck to set traps and other BRMAD business, but the truck is also available for a backup fogger.
*Sealant needs to be applied to the asphalt driveways at the building. The cost will be approximately $1,200.
*We will ask the county for the 3% increase in our budget this year. Just like last year 2023

*heated room needs repairs as there is leaking water and it is coming from the foundation {is what Gary Sims reported}
*Mr, Porter asked the board to approve him getting a new tailgate for his personal truck, due to years of hauling chemicals to the airport, it has damaged it, appoximate cost is $1,238.48 quoted by Burgoyne Auto Body.

The board discussed about finding someone to apprenticeship with Mr. Portela in the event that something should happen to him, so that the board would have someone to know about the chemicals, ordering ,and BRMAD business. Rod Jacobson suggested Mary Lin Romrell, and she in turn suggested DeLoy Romrell as he has been to the Utah Mosquito conventions and is currently treating streams and fogging. Mr. Portela said he would think about it as he had some concerns, relating to his chemical business too. The board felt that we need someone that will be vested in the mosquito abatement district and willing to work. The board would be willing to pay an individual to apprenticeship with Mr. Portela.

Rod Jacobson motioned that the building needed to be repaired and upkeep on it to keep it in good shape and approved Mr. Portela to have this accomplished . Lynn Lloyd seconded and it was unanimously approved by the board,

Rod Jacobson motioned that we approve Mr. Portela getting a new tail gate for his personal truck. Nina Nelson seconded the motion and the motion was unanimously approved.

Rod Jacobson motioned that there be a 5% increase across the board for drivers and manager. Nina Nelson seconded.
Mary Lin Romrell and Lynn Lloyd abstained from voting. The motion was approved.

Lynn Lloyd motioned that we adjourn the meeting and Nina Nelson seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

Everyone thanked Mr, Portela for planning the dinner/meeting and for all his hard work