

Regular Meeting Minutes

Florida Keys Mosquito Control District

Marathon Office
503 107th Street Marathon, FL 33050

June 16, 2026 1:00 pm

The Board of Commissioners of the Florida Keys Mosquito Control District held a Regular Meeting on June 16, 2026 at the FKMCD Marathon Office.

Present Were: Phillip Goodman, Chairman; Dr. Stanley Zuba, Vice-Chairman; Jill Cranney, Commissioner; Bette Brown, Secretary/Treasurer; Andrea Leal, Executive Director; Hunter O'Connor, Board Attorney. Brandon Pinder, Commissioner, was absent.

Employees Present Were: Lauren Bouchard, Director of Finance; Chad Huff, Public Education & Information Officer; Abigail Smith, Education Coordinator; Robert Lee, Director of Aerial Operations; Michael Behrend, Director of Human Resources; Justin Knowles, Chief Pilot; Robert Svoboda, Mechanic; Alana Loftus, Surveillance Trap Technician; Rochele Miller, Executive/HR Assistant; Tony Nunez, Chief Technology Officer.

Invited Guest Present: Max Mungall, President of the Lodging Association of the Florida Keys and Key West; Danny Rausch, CPA, Senior Manager, Mauldin & Jenkins, LLC

Community Input: None.

Approval of Consent Agenda: Chairman Goodman asked the Board if there were any corrections or additions to the consent agenda, having none, the consent agenda was approved.

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Invited Speaker: Chairman Goodman welcomed Max Mungall, President of the Lodging Association of the Florida Keys and Key West. Mr. Mungall thanked the Board for the tour and information sharing. He described the Lodging Association as an organization accounting for 110 hotels and guest houses, over 7K hotel rooms, and 120 associate members that collaborate for the betterment of the community. Mr. Mungall also shared his personal appreciation for mosquito control. He is excited to grow the partnership with FKMCD. Chairman Goodman also expressed interest in working together in the future.

Treasurer's Report: Commissioner Brown mentioned possible changes to future reporting.

Attorney's Report: None.

Director's Report: Executive Director, Andrea Leal began by recognizing the District's auto mechanics as part of Automotive Professionals Month. Robert Svoboda was present to accept this award on behalf of staff. Robert Lee was recognized for 10 years of service and Alana Loftus for 5 years of service. Ms. Leal reported that there are still only two confirmed travel-related cases of Chikungunya in Monroe County. Miami-Dade County is the only county currently under a mosquito-borne illness alert. The District continues to watch the travel-related cases of Chikungunya and dengue. Operationally, Salt Marsh mosquito numbers were higher than the historical average throughout the Middle and Upper Keys in May, and lower than the historical average in the Lower Keys. Sixty-eight (68) truck adulticide missions were conducted in May,

which is similar to the historical average. *Aedes aegypti* numbers did not exceed the thresholds for adulticide, but we have started weekly WDG missions over Key West. We completed over twenty (20) aerial granular larvicide missions and twenty-six (26) ground liquid larvicide missions. Service requests (530) were higher than the historical average for May. ReMoa Tri is now in the rotation for truck missions.

Rainy season ads have been launched. We received a large number of media inquiries recently, which have generally been positive for mosquito control. The Florida Association of Special Districts Annual Conference, held last week, focused primarily on administrative topics, including HR, insurance, strategic planning, IT, and cybersecurity, as well as legislation that could impact Special Districts in the future. This event is also recommended for elected officials.

Chairman Goodman and Ms. Leal met with park managers at Everglades National Park to discuss the Everglades Restoration Project and to share information about Mosquito Control. This meeting marked the beginning of a partnership that could be beneficial as we collect data before and after the anticipated water release in 2029 to determine any correlation to an increase in mosquito population.

Director Leal shared that the Finance Department is moving forward with Paycom, a new payroll software, expected to be rolled out by end of September.

Lauren Bouchard, the Director of Finance, gave an investment update for the end of May 2026. The total amount of \$15,361,584.17 was divided in a 70/30 allocation split. Interest earned was \$46,158.07. The average monthly yield at Centennial Bank was 3.3% and 3.7009% in FL CLASS.

Items for Board Discussion:

11a.) Property Tax Reform: Executive Director Andrea Leal gave a brief update on the voter referendum that will appear on the November Ballot. Ms. Leal has requested information from the Property Appraiser's Office for more accurate estimates on the effects and impacts to the District specifically. Staff will be kept informed and public education is key. The 26-27 budget won't be impacted but staff will be looking ahead due to the potential decrease in future funding.

Items for Board Review and Action:

12a.) Financial Reports: Lauren Bouchard, Director of Finance, presented the May financial reports. Ms. Bouchard highlighted chemical spend from the State fund. Continual increases are expected in the local fund expenditures over summer. Cash Disbursements for May and current expenses were highlighted. With no further discussion, *A motion was made by Commissioner Cranney, seconded by Commissioner Brown, and passed unanimously confirming the Board received the financial information from May of 2026 and the Board requests it be submitted for audit at the appropriate time.*

12b.) Resolution 2026-13 Approving the Financial Statements and Audit: A RESOLUTION OF THE FLORIDA KEYS MOSQUITO CONTROL DISTRICT OF MONROE COUNTY, FLORIDA APPROVING THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND AUDIT FOR THE YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2025 AS DRAFTED BY MAULDIN & JENKINS, CPAS; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. Ms. Bouchard introduced Danny Rausch, Senior Manager at Mauldin & Jenkins, LLC, to present the financial statements and audit highlights. No material issues were found, and no audit adjustments were necessary. Mr. Rausch commended the excellent communication between Lauren and the audit team. Upcoming GASB standard changes were identified and discussed. Additionally, Mr. Rausch offered training and continuing education units (CEUs) to the District, if interested. The Board discussed the Director of Finance transition and supported updating monthly reports if approved by Director Leal. With no further discussion, *A motion was made by Commissioner Cranney,*

seconded by Commissioner Brown, and passed unanimously to approve the Financial Statements and Audit. After a roll call vote, it was unanimously passed.

12c.) Resolution 2026-14 Strategic Plan Approval 2026-2028: A RESOLUTION OF THE FLORIDA KEYS MOSQUITO CONTROL DISTRICT OF MONROE COUNTY, FLORIDA, ADOPTING THE FLORIDA KEYS MOSQUITO CONTROL DISTRICT 2026-2028 STRATEGIC PLAN; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. *A motion was made by Commissioner Zuba, seconded by Commissioner Cranney, and passed unanimously to adopt Resolution 2026-14 as written. After a roll call vote, it was unanimously adopted.*

12d.) Resolution 2026-15 ITB 2026-04 Surplus Equipment: A RESOLUTION OF THE FLORIDA KEYS MOSQUITO CONTROL DISTRICT, APPROVING THE RECOMMENDATION AND BID AWARDS OF THE ITB 2026-04 EVALUATION COMMITTEE FOR DISPOSITION OF SURPLUS EQUIPMENT; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE. *Following discussion, A motion was made by Commissioner Brown, seconded by Commissioner Zuba, and passed unanimously to approve Resolution 2026-15 as written.*

12e.) Approval to allocate additional funds for A&P Mechanic Contract Services: *Following discussion regarding the obstacles faced when recruiting, A motion was made by Commissioner Cranney, seconded by Commissioner Zuba, and passed unanimously to approve the allocation of additional funds not to exceed \$90,000.00, for A& P Mechanic Contract Services.*

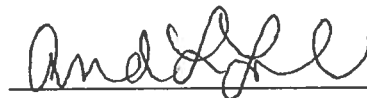
12f.) Set the Tentative Budget and Final Budget Hearing Dates: *Following discussion, A motion was made by Commissioner Brown, seconded by Commissioner Cranney, and passed unanimously to set the Tentative Budget Hearing on September 1st, 2026, at 5:05 pm. A motion was then made by Commissioner Cranney, seconded by Commissioner Brown, and passed unanimously to set the Final Budget Hearing on September 15th, 2026, at 5:05 pm.*

Good of the Order:

- Chairman Goodman discussed the next meeting of the Board to be held on July 21, 2026, at 1:00 pm, preceded by a District Overview Workshop, Budget Workshop and Retiree Healthcare Trust.

There being no further business to come before the Board the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,



Andrea Leal
Executive Director

Board of Commissioners
Florida Keys Mosquito Control District



Phillip L. Goodman, Chairman

Bette Brown, Secretary-Treasurer

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