BLSG Board Minutes 03/15/2018

Present: Chad Beckwith, Mike Blaisdell, John Haverstock, Brad Lawes, Ben Lawton, Wayne Rausenberger, Kerry White, Jeff Whiting.

Ben Lawton called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

- 1. Introduction of members to Chad Beckwith, the new second, alternate member appointed by the Goshen Select board. Kitt Shaw, Pittsford representative, is planning to relocate in a few months. John Haverstock has a potential candidate to replace Kitt.
- 2. Minutes from February 12, 2017 approved. (Moved by Jeff W. 2nd by Wayne R.)
- 3. Treasurer's Report:
 - General Checking balance is \$57,848.44.
 - Equipment Replacement & Capital Improvement Checking is \$5,794.16.
 - Paid Worker's Comp. \$6,344.00 towards 2018-19 policy.
 - Treasurer's report approved. (Moved by Jeff W. 2nd by Brad L.)
- 4. Results and information from town meetings discussed.
- 5. IPM/IMM was tabled for a future meeting.
- 6. Report on FYI 18/19/20 discussions with VAA. BLSG will continue to work with VAA as they have in the past regardless of staff changes within the agency.
- 7. Legislative issues: at this time the BLSG will continue to work with the VAA, changes to this is not anticipated at this time.
- 8. NPDES/NOI was tabled for a future meeting.
- 9. Preparations and quotes for aerial larviciding. Will is currently working on the quotes.
- 10. Larvicide permit, discussion about the renewal. Jeff Whiting has spoken to Misha Cetner.

- 11. Mike Blaisdell presented information on biological control strategies. Bat houses were discussed as well.
- 12. NEVBD and the UVM extension programs were discussed.
- 13. Pesticide application licenses need to be renewed.
- 14. Permit and posting, Will is currently working on notification of adulticide and larvicide treatment via the newspaper.
- 15. Integration and strategies for bringing Pittsford into the BLSG was discussed. The additional town will require additional equipment. A motion was made to allow Will to begin looking for the additional equipment after 4/6/18. (Moved by Mike B. 2nd by Wayne R.) Motion was approved.

16. Other:

- Next BLSG meeting is set for **April 12, 2018 at 7:00pm** at the Steven Douglas House in Brandon.
- Chad B. asked about pretreatment and threshold issues, the board discussed issues.
- Wayne R. reported that the state electronically withdraws tax money from the BLSG's banking account. Recently the system erroneously withdrew twice, the money has been refunded to BLSG.
- The current line of credit will expire in May 2018. The board authorizes the treasurer, Wayne Rausenberger to establish a line of credit not to exceed \$70,000. (Brad L. Motioned, 2nd by Jeff W.) Motion was approved.
- Discussion about capital improvements. Financing the project was discussed. Roofing estimates can likely be determined easily by a roofing contractor.
- Micro-opting out of adulticide treatment was discussed.
- Ben Lawton called the meeting adjourned at 8:36 PM.