The Special Board meeting of the Sutter-Yuba Mosquito & Vector Control District Board of Trustees was called to order by Board President Bill Harris at 4:30 P.M., Thursday, March 26, 2020.

IN ATTENDANCE: Board Trustees Harris, Schmidl, Ghag, Cleveland, Sanbrook and Guzman.

ABSENT: None

PRESENT: Manager Abshier, General Foreman Hunt

EMERGENCY AGENDA ITEMS: None

APPROVAL OF A DISCRETIONARY PAID LEAVE POLICY: After issuance of a directive on March 19, 2020, by Yuba-Sutter Public Health Officer, Dr. Phuong Luu and Governor Newsom mandating that California’s residents shelter in place, approval of District policy has become necessary. Abshier presented a policy drafted by District legal counsel, Bordsen. Sanbrook noted a clarification issue for language in the policy that improperly implies that a health emergency would have an effect on an employee’s residence. Board consensus was that the policy could be amended at a later date. A motion was made by Sanbrook and seconded by Guzman to adopt the Discretionary Leave Policy. The motion was approved by a unanimous vote.

APPROVAL TO CLOSE THE DISTRICT TO THE PUBLIC: Abshier proposed closing the District to the public until the shelter in place directive is lifted. Management would follow the guidance of Governor Newsom and Yuba-Sutter Public Health Officer, Dr. Luu in reopening the District to the public. Schmidl asked about the numbers and frequency of residents coming into the office. Abshier stated that visitors to the District Office are very low. The general consensus of the Board was the District should remain open to the public to allow for mosquitofish pickup. We will follow guidelines for social distancing and hand washing protocols. The agenda item failed for lack of motion.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

MANAGER COMMENTS:
The regular, April Board Meeting will be conducted via teleconference. Again, members of the public are able to call in and participate in the meeting.

TRUSTEE COMMENTS: None

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, a motion was made by Guzman and seconded by Schmidl to adjourn the meeting. The motion was approved by a unanimous vote. President Harris adjourned the meeting.

John Sanbrook, Board Secretary