

RESOLUTION NO. 12 - 5

**RESOLUTION AMENDING ADULT MOSQUITO CONTROL PROCEDURES
IN WORCESTER COUNTY, MARYLAND**

WHEREAS, the County Commissioners adopted Resolution No. 02-13 on June 4, 2002 to formalize the procedures for conducting the Adult Mosquito Control Spraying Program as a part of an Integrated Pest Management Program sponsored by the State of Maryland and the County Commissioners through which groups of homeowners may apply for and receive adult mosquito control spraying services as a part of the program in accordance with procedures established by the Commissioners; and

WHEREAS, the County Commissioners adopted Resolution No. 08-5 on April 8, 2008 to repeal and reenact Resolution No. 02-13 and Resolution No. 11-6 on April 5, 2011 to repeal and reenact Resolution No. 08-5 to reflect the revised cost sharing allocations by the State of Maryland; and

WHEREAS, the County was recently notified by the State of Maryland that the State cost share for this program will again be revised as a result of State budget reductions beginning in 2012; and

WHEREAS, as a result of the actions of the State, the County Commissioners will continue to provide funding for larvacide, surveillance and source reduction services, as well as airspray for disease control, while individual residents receiving mosquito control services will fund the cost of adulticide groundspray work; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioners are desirous of repealing and reenacting Resolution No. 11-6 to reflect the revised cost sharing allocations of the State and the County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the County Commissioners of Worcester County, Maryland, that as the budget constraints permit, the County in conjunction with the State shall engage in an Integrated Pest Management Program in cooperation with the State of Maryland, which shall provide for:

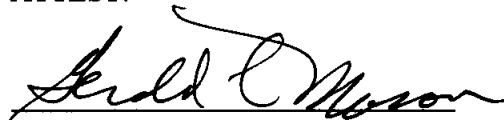
1. Spraying for adult mosquitos in public areas as well as areas requested by groups of homeowners or by business owners. In order to qualify as a spray area, there must be at least seven participating homes along three miles of contiguous road frontage and there must be sufficient public or adequate private road access to adequately serve the area.
2. The residents in the area must request the service in writing and enter into a written and signed agreement of Request for Mosquito Control Spraying on forms required by the County Commissioners.
3. Participating residents must pay the annual fee established by the County Commissioners and submit their completed and signed Request for Mosquito Control Spraying to the department designated by the County Commissioners on or before the established deadline, prior to receiving spraying services for the season.

4. Municipalities and bona fide homeowners associations may enter into separate contracts directly with the Maryland Department of Agriculture for spraying services.
5. The County Commissioners and Maryland Department of Agriculture may decline to provide spraying services in the case of extraordinarily circumstances, including but not limited to: unusual respiratory conditions of neighbors, inadequate access, or determination by the Commissioners that spraying would not be effective or would be dangerous to the environment or neighbors.
6. Cost sharing arrangements shall be based upon total gross expenses incurred by the State, the County, and (if applicable) the community association or private property owner. Cost sharing allocations shall be as follows:
 - A. For Ground Spraying for Municipalities and Community Groups:
The municipal government or community group association shall pay 100%.
 - B. For Countywide Ground Larvicide and Ground Surveillance:
The Department of Agriculture shall pay 40%; and the County shall pay 60%.
 - C. For Larvicide for Municipalities and Community Groups:
The Department of Agriculture shall pay 40%; the County shall pay 25%; and the municipal government or community group association shall pay 35%.
 - D. For Businesses, Campgrounds and Golf Courses:
The business shall pay 100%.
 - E. For State Parks:
The State Department of Natural Resources shall pay 100% of costs for spraying adult mosquitoes.
 - F. For Federally Owned Park Land:
The Federal Government shall pay 100%.
 - G. For Aerial Spraying By Request:
The Department of Agriculture shall pay 40%; and the requesting organization or property owner shall pay 60%. Aerial spraying shall only be conducted by the Department of Agriculture providing mosquito conditions meet severity standards established by the Department.
 - H. For Aerial Spraying of Other Large Areas:
In the event the County Commissioners and the Department of Agriculture jointly determine that it is necessary to conduct aerial spraying for mosquitoes over a large geographical area (not limited to a single property owner or community group) then the Department of Agriculture shall pay 40% and the County shall pay 60%.

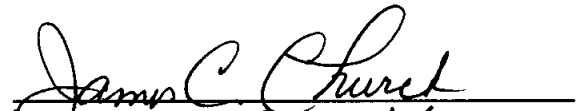
AND, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution shall take effect upon its passage and shall supercede all previous Resolutions relating to its subject, specifically Resolution No. 11-6 adopted on April 5, 2011.

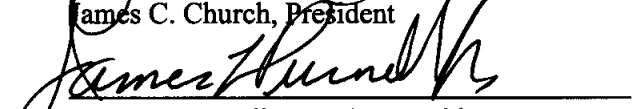
PASSED AND ADOPTED this 3rd day of April, 2012.

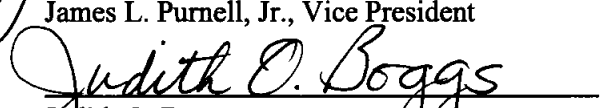
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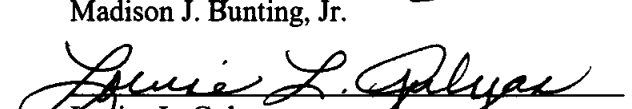
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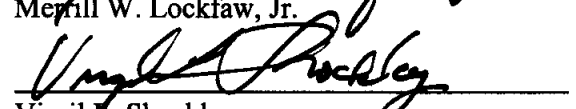

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