

## **Mosquito Abatement District Board Appointment – Gayle E. Thomas**

### **INTRODUCTION:**

Mayor Becker is recommending Gayle E. Thomas, a resident of District Six, to be appointed to the Mosquito Abatement District. If appointed, Mr. Thomas will be replacing Blaine Linck, whose term has expired and he will serve the term extending through December 31, 2011.

### **APPLICANT INFORMATION:**

Mr. Thomas was employed at Questar and is now enjoying retirement. He served on this board from 1991-2000 and during that time was the President of the Board from 1993-1998. He enjoyed serving on this board and would like very much to serve again.

### **RESPONSE DEADLINE:**

If you have any objection to this appointment, please let Chris know by 8:00 a.m. on Friday, August 15, 2008. Thank you.

### **CURRENT COMPOSITION OF MOSQUITO ABATEMENT BOARD:**

There is no City residency requirement for the five-member Mosquito Abatement District; however, all members reside within City limits. Current members are LaVone Liddle Gamonal, District 6; Heidi Hadley, District 5; Blaine Linck, District 1; Todd Erskine, District 1 and Raymond Uno, District 3.

### **BOARD STRUCTURE:**

The Mosquito Abatement District is organized under Title 17A, Special Districts, Utah Code Annotated. In general, mosquito abatement districts have broad powers to act expediently to meet the emergency needs of rapid mosquito development and avoidance of public health and nuisance hazards. The Mosquito Abatement District may: take all necessary and proper steps for the extermination of mosquitoes, flies, crickets, grasshoppers and other insects within the district and to abate as nuisances all stagnant pools of water; enter upon property to inspect and examine same, and remove without notice, any stagnant water or other insect breeding areas; purchase supplies/materials and employ labor necessary to build, construct, repair and maintain levees, cuts, canals or channels upon any land within the district; and make contracts to indemnify or compensate any landowner for any injury or damage caused by the exercise of its powers or arising out of the use, taking, or damage of property.