Mosquito Abatement District Advisory Board Appointment – Blaine Linck.

INTRODUCTION:

Mayor Becker is recommending Blaine Linck be appointed to the Mosquito Abatement District Board. If appointed, Mr. Linck will fill a vacancy and serve the term through December 31, 2012.

APPLICANT INFORMATION:

Mr. Linck is a resident of Salt Lake City, District 1. He is a former employee of IBM and is now retired. Mr. Linck has served on this board in the past and feels his past experience will be a value to the board.

RESPONSE DEADLINE:

If you have any objection to this appointment, please let Chris know by April 3, 2009.

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; Todd Erskine, District 1; Raymond Uno, District 3; Gayle E. Thomas, District 6 and Dagmar Vitek, District 6.

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.