

**MINUTES OF
THE SALINAS VALLEY SOLID WASTE AUTHORITY
BOARD MEETING
JANUARY 21, 2016**

CALL TO ORDER

President Silva called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

The following Board Directors were present:

County of Monterey	Fernando Armenta
County of Monterey	Simon Salinas, Alt. Vice President
City of Salinas	Gloria De La Rosa
City of Salinas	Jyl Lutes, Vice President
City of Salinas	Joseph Gunter (<i>Alternate</i>)
City of Gonzales	Elizabeth Silva, President
City of Soledad	Richard Perez
City of Greenfield	Avelina Torres
City of King	Robert Cullen

The following Board Directors were absent:

City of Salinas	Tony Barrera
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Staff Members Present:

Patrick Mathews, General Manager/CAO	Rose Gill, HR/Organizational Dev. Manager
Susan Warner, Asst. GM/Diversion Manager	Elia Zavala, Clerk of the Board
Ray Hendricks, Finance Manager	Thomas Bruen, General Counsel
Cesar Zuniga, Operations Manager	

MEETING ANNOUNCEMENTS

(6:01) President Silva announced the availability of translation services. No member from the public requested the service.

GENERAL MANAGER COMMENTS

(6:02) General Manager/CAO Mathews spoke about new legislature Assembly Bill 1826 regarding the management of organic materials. He also commented that the feasibility study of the Monterey Bay Community Power Project is almost complete, and if the outcome is positive, each participating jurisdiction will have the opportunity to participate in the community choice energy project as early as fall of this year.

DEPARTMENT MANAGER COMMENTS

(6:07) None

BOARD DIRECTORS COMMENTS

(6:07) President Silva expressed appreciation for the support received during her term as Board President.

PUBLIC COMMENT

(6:08) None

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

A. 2016 ELECTION OF OFFICERS – PRESIDENT, VICE PRESIDENT, AND ALTERNATE VICE PRESIDENT

Director Cullen announced the elections nominating committee's recommendation.

Public Comment: None

Board Comments: None

Motion: Director Cullen made a motion to elect Director Lutes as President, Director Salinas as Vice President, Director Perez as Alternate Vice President, and appoint Director Silva to the Executive Committee for one year as Immediate Past President. Director De La Rosa seconded the motion.

Votes: Motion carried 9, 0

Ayes: Armenta, Cullen, De La Rosa, Gunter (alt), Lutes, Perez, Salinas, Silva, Torres

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Barrera

RECOGNITION

B. PROCLAMATION HONORING DIRECTOR ELIZABETH SILVA FOR HER TERM AS AUTHORITY BOARD PRESIDENT

(6:10) General Manager/CAO Mathews presented Director Silva with a proclamation.

Public Comment: None

Board Comments: Director Silva received commendations for her leadership.

CONSENT AGENDA (6:19)

1. Minutes of December 17, 2015, Meeting
2. November 2015 Claims and Financial Reports
3. December 2015 Member and Interagency Activities Report and Upcoming Events
4. 2013-16 Strategic Plan Goals and Six-Month Objectives Update
5. Monterey Bay Community Power Project Update
6. December 2015 Quarterly Investments Report
7. December 2015 Quarterly Customer Service Survey
8. Collaboration Opportunities with Monterey Regional Waste Management District Update
9. Resolution No. 2016-01 Authorizing the Release of Requests for Proposals to Construct and Maintain Green Energy Projects to Offset Facility Power Cost

Public Comment: None

Board Comments: None

Motion: Vice President Salinas made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Director Silva seconded the motion.

Votes: Motion carried 9, 0

Ayes: Armenta, Cullen, De La Rosa, Gunter (alt), Lutes, Perez, Salinas, Silva, Torres

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Barrera

PRESENTATION

10. 2015 EMPLOYEE SURVEY RESULTS

(6:19) HR/Organizational Development Manger Gill provided a report, which reflected an increase in both employee morale and positive attitude compared to the previous year.

Public Comment: None

Board Comments: The Board discussed the survey results and suggested looking into methods to improve communication.

CONSIDERATION

11. JOLON ROAD AND CRAZY HORSE TRANSFER STATIONS OPERATIONS OPTIONS

(6:28) Operations Manager Zuñiga presented options for the operation of Jolon Road Transfer Station and possible operations at Crazy Horse after the expiration of the contract with Waste Management. Options included maintaining the Jolon Road status quo operation, with an Authority run facility or with a new contract with Waste Management, or revising hours of operation and opening a convenience public station at Crazy Horse. Waste Management will be presenting its operations cost proposal in February. At this time, based on current information, maintaining a status quo operation appears to be the most cost effective option. A formal recommendation will be presented to the Board in March.

Public Comment: None

Board Comments: The Board discussed the options and questioned impacts to traffic, roads, south county residents, and rates.

Motion: No motion was needed; this was an informational item.

12. RESOLUTION NO. 2016-02 APPROVING AN OPTION AND PURCHASE AGREEMENT WITH KEITH ANDERSON AND JOHNNY SCHOT MARTINS, AS CO-TRUSTEES OF THE MARVIN MARTINS 1996 REVOCABLE TRUST; DENNIS MARTINS, AS SUCCESSOR TRUSTEE OF THE NOLAN MARTINS TRUST B UNDER AGREEMENT DATED JUNE 19, 1962; DENNIS MARTINS, AN INDIVIDUAL; NOELYN CORREA, AN INDIVIDUAL; ANTONETTE MARTINS, AN INDIVIDUAL; AND DARRIN MARTINS, AN INDIVIDUAL FOR A 17.5 ACRE PARCEL AT THE INTERSECTION OF U.S. HIGHWAY 101 WITH SALA AND HARRISON ROADS, ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NO. 113-091-017 IN THE INITIAL AMOUNT OF \$80,000; \$75,000 FOR FISCAL YEARS 2016-17 AND 2017-18, AND AMOUNTS TO BE NEGOTIATED FOR ANY ADDITIONAL YEARS IF NECESSARY

(6:50) General Manager/CAO Mathews provided a report summarizing that the option agreement would hold the property out of the real estate market for four years at the current sale price for potential Authority purchase as the Authority moves forward with the environmental review process for the Long Range Facilities Needs. After one year of environmental review, the Authority will likely know if there are any fatal flaws with the property. Within year two or three, the Authority should know if this would be the best property for the project. The Authority would be able to terminate the agreement or buy the property at any time.

Public Comment: None

Board Comments: The Board discussed a possible change in the fourth year term. General Manager/CAO Mathews stated that it would be very difficult for all parties to agree to a change in terms, as some parties were already hesitant to lock the property on the optional 4th year. The Board discussed the various possible uses for the property, the property condition, and current use. Alternate Director Gunter stated that the property is in a flood zone near a school and is an exit to Salinas; he was concerned with having a transfer station at the entrance to the city. Director De La Rosa concurred with Alternate Director Gunter. Some Board members were concerned with expending funds on a property that the City of Salinas is now again saying it may not support. Other Board members felt that the Authority should move forward and secure the option to buy the property at the fixed selling price and let

environmental review indicate if this is or is not the best property. President Lutes concurred with the concerns made regarding the property, but acknowledged that options are running out, as multiple sites that have been considered and have not worked out, including the recommended sites from the Citizens Advisory Group such as Work Street, Madison Lane, Hitchcock Road, as well as the City of Salinas' desire to move the Sun Street facility. The option agreement provides a year-to-year collaboration opportunity.

GM Comments:

General Manager/CAO Mathews clarified that the proposed future facility would not be like the current temporary operation at Sun Street. Modern day facilities have aesthetically pleasant designs that include landscaped entrances and modern designed buildings. President Lutes suggested that staff present examples of modern facilities to the Board. Mathews also indicated that staff is aware of some temporary flooding issues on Harrison Road but that the property itself is not in a designated flood zone.

Public:

None

Motion:

Alternate Vice President Perez made a motion to adopt the resolution. Director Silva seconded the motion.

Votes:

Motion carried 9, 0

Ayes:

Armenta, Cullen, De La Rosa, Gunter (att), Lutes, Perez, Salinas, Silva, Torres

Noes:

None

Abstain:

None

Absent:

Barrera

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

13. AGENDA ITEMS – VIEW AHEAD SCHEDULE

(7:19) The Board reviewed the future agenda items. General Manager/CAO Mathews stated a presentation on modern day facilities will be added to the February agenda, including the original permanent design of the Sun Street facility.

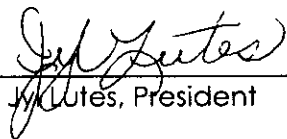
CLOSED SESSION

(7:21) General Manager announced that there was no need to enter into closed session.

ADJOURN

(7:21) President Lutes adjourned the meeting.

Attest: 
Elia Zavala, Clerk of the Board

APPROVED: 
J. Lutes, President