

**MINUTES OF
THE SALINAS VALLEY SOLID WASTE AUTHORITY
BOARD MEETING
FEBRUARY 18, 2016**

CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL

The following Board Directors were present:

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| County of Monterey | Fernando Armenta |
| County of Monterey | Simon Salinas, Vice President |
| City of Salinas | Gloria De La Rosa |
| City of Salinas | Jyl Lutes, President |
| City of Salinas | Tony Barrera |
| City of Gonzales | Elizabeth Silva |
| City of Soledad | Richard Perez, Alt. Vice President |
| City of Greenfield | Avelina Torres |
| City of King | Robert Cullen |

Staff Members Present:

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

MEETING ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

GENERAL MANAGER COMMENTS

(6:01) General Manager/CAO Mathews encouraged Board members to review the feasibility study conducted by the Monterey Bay Community Power Project included in Item No. 4, and to discuss with their respective City Managers/County Administrator. The Project's Leadership Committee will be conducting presentations to all jurisdictions in the near future. He reminded the Board of the February 29 strategic planning retreat.

DEPARTMENT MANAGER COMMENTS

(6:03) Assistant General Manager/Diversion Manager Warner provided a copy of the new and improved recycling brochure. She also announced that meetings have started on the Salinas Area Materials Recovery Center Project environmental review process. Site plans are being developed for the various project scenarios.

PUBLIC COMMENT

(6:04) None

BOARD DIRECTORS COMMENTS

(6:04) The Board asked about the retreat start and end time; staff replied that it will start at 8:30 a.m. and end at about 1:30 p.m.

CONSENT AGENDA (6:04)

1. Minutes of January 21, 2016, Meeting
2. December 2015 Claims and Financial Reports
3. January 2016 Member and Interagency Activities Report and Upcoming Events
4. Monterey Bay Community Power Project Update
5. Tonnage and Diversion Report for the Quarter Ended December 31, 2015
6. Fiscal Year 2015-16 Mid-Year Budget Adjustments
7. Resolution No. 2016-03 Approving the Designated Date, Time and Place for Regular Board and Executive Committee Meetings for Calendar Year 2016, Changing the Executive Committee Meetings to the Thursday Two Weeks before the Next Regular Board Meeting
8. Resolution No. 2016-04 Approving Amendment No. 1 to the Lease with Patricia R. Hansen, Trustee of the H. Ross Hansen 1985 Living Trust – Marital Deduction Trust, Authorizing a Three-year Extension to the Lease for 128 Sun Street, Suite 101, Salinas, CA 93901, effective January 2017

Public Comment: None

Board Comments: None

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

Votes: Motion carried 9, 0

Ayes: Armenta, Barrera, Cullen, De La Rosa, Lutes, Perez, Salinas, Silva, Torres

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

PRESENTATION

9. 2013-16 STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS AND SIX-MONTH OBJECTIVES UPDATE

(6:05) General Manager/CAO Mathews presented an update on the current six-month objectives and reported that all objectives were completed.

Public Comment: None

Board Comments: The Board discussed the presentation and asked staff to schedule a discussion at the February 29 retreat to discuss the structure of future retreats, including their frequency.

10. MATERIALS RECOVERY CENTERS MODERN DESIGNS AND ECONOMIC BENEFITS

(6:28) General Manager/CAO Mathews presented examples of permanent enclosed facilities. He reiterated the current temporary status of the Sun Street facility. The permanent facility would be fully enclosed, and its architecture would be designed to fit the surroundings; it would not be a duplicate of the current temporary open facility. He commented on economic benefits of such facilities, including the significant impact these facilities have on Greenhouse Gas reduction.

Public Comment: None

Board Comments: The Board discussed the report and suggested that the General Manager/CAO provide this presentation to the member City Councils and County Board of Supervisors soon, and possibly schedule some site visits.

11. SUN STREET PROPERTY ALTERNATIVES

(6:50) General Manager/CAO Mathews presented various possible alternatives for the property, which fall within three main concepts, sell, improve and develop, or repurpose. The Authority is restarting its discussions with the City of Salinas and the Alisal Market Place (AMP) developer. Staff will work first to determine the final sale disposition to the City of Salinas or the AMP before it considers any repurposing ideas or pursuing facility improvements. In addition, the Long Range Facilities Needs Environmental Impact Report still needs to be completed, along with the Financial and Economic Impact studies.

Public Comment: None

Board Comments: The Board received the report.

CONSIDERATION

12. FISCAL YEAR 2016-17 PRELIMINARY BUDGET

(6:57) Finance Manager Hendricks presented the proposed 2016-17 budget, which assumes an increase of 3% in tonnage and increases the AB939 fees and tipping fees by 2.9%. The main reasons for the fee increases are the repayment of the Johnson Canyon Road fund and the purchase of Jolon Road operations equipment, amongst others.

Public Comment: None

Board Comments: The Board discussed the proposed budget and suggested that staff present some budget alternatives at the March meeting.

Motion: Director Barrera made a motion to direct staff to schedule a rate hearing and the budget adoption on the March 17, 2016, Board meeting, along with rate saving alternatives for consideration. Alternate Vice President Perez seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Votes: Motion carried 9, 0

Ayes: Armenta, Barrera, Cullen, De La Rosa, Lutes, Perez, Salinas, Silva, Torres

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

13. AGENDA ITEMS – VIEW AHEAD SCHEDULE

(7:14) The Board reviewed the future agenda items.

CLOSED SESSION

(7:15) President Lutes adjourned the meeting to closed session to discuss the following:

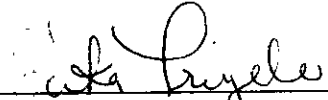
- 14.** Pursuant to **Government Code Section 54956.8** to confer with General Counsel and real property negotiators General Manager/CAO Patrick Mathews, Diversion Manager Susan Warner, and Legal Counsel Tom Bruen, concerning the possible terms and conditions of acquisition, lease, exchange or sale of 1) Salinas Valley Solid Waste Authority Property, APNs 003-051-086 and 003-051-087, located at 135-139 Sun Street, Salinas, CA, and 2) Sale parcel on Harrison Rd & Sala Rd, Salinas, CA 93907, APN 113-091-017
- 15.** Pursuant to **Government Code Sections 54957(b) and 54957.6** to consider the terms and conditions of employment of the Authority's General Manager/Chief Administrative Officer, Patrick Mathews.

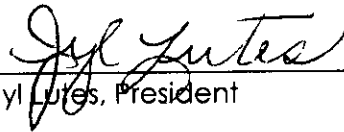
RECONVENE

(7:43) President Lutes reconvened the meeting to open session and reported that the Board gave General Counsel Bruen direction on Item No. 15.

ADJOURN

(7:43) President Lutes adjourned the meeting.

Attest: 
Erika Trujillo, Acting Clerk of the Board

APPROVED: 
Jyl Lutes, President