

**MINUTES OF
THE SALINAS VALLEY SOLID WASTE AUTHORITY
BOARD MEETING
NOVEMBER 16, 2017**

CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL

The following Board Directors were present:

County of Monterey	Simon Salinas, President
County of Monterey	John M. Phillips (<i>arrived at 6:01 p.m.</i>)
City of Salinas	Gloria De La Rosa, Alt. Vice President
City of Salinas	Tony Barrera
City of Salinas	Joseph D. Gunter (<i>alternate</i>)
City of Gonzales	Elizabeth Silva
City of Soledad	Christopher K. Bourke
City of King	Robert Cullen, Vice President

The following Board Directors were absent:

City of Salinas	Kimbley Craig
City of Greenfield	Avelina Torres

Staff Members Present:

Patrick Mathews, General Manager/CAO	Brian Kennedy, Engineering & Environmental Compliance Manager
Cesar Zuñiga, Asst. GM/Operations Manager	Cindy Iglesias, Administrative Assistant II
Ray Hendricks, Finance and Administration Manager	Erika J. Trujillo, Clerk of the Board
Mandy Brooks, Resource Recovery Manager	Thomas Bruen, General Counsel

MEETING ANNOUNCEMENTS

(6:02) President Salinas announced translation services were available. No member from the public requested the service.

GENERAL MANAGER COMMENTS

(6:02) General Manager/CAO informed the Board of the upcoming monthly staff lunch meeting on November 30, extending an invitation to the Board members to attend. He notified the Board that the December Board meeting will be held at the Gonzales Police Department Conference Room, the Gonzales Council Chambers will be unavailable due to remodeling. He explained because of the change of location, if Board approves the Second reading and Public hearing of Ordinance No. 10 it will have to be conducted at the Regular scheduled meeting on January 18, 2018.

DEPARTMENT MANAGER COMMENTS

(6:03) None

BOARD DIRECTORS COMMENTS

(6:03) Director Cullen reported on the cleanup event that occurred in the City of King on Saturday November 18. Director Silva reported that the Alta Street project has not started but should be starting soon, she recommended to utilize the Fifth Street exit to avoid delays.

PUBLIC COMMENT

(6:04) Juan Camacho, Field Operations Supervisor I of the Sun Street Transfer Station in Salinas and resident of the City of Salinas, expressed his concerns with the presentation provided by the Monterey Regional Waste Management District and comments made by the Councilmembers at the City of Salinas Council Meeting on November 7 regarding the potential closure of the Sun Street Transfer Station in Salinas.

Luis Macias, Diversion Worker I of the Sun Street Transfer Station in Salinas expressed his concerns of the comments made by the Councilmembers at the City of Salinas Council meeting of November 7 regarding the potential closure of Sun Street Transfer Station and the effect this would have on unemployment of Authority staff, Hope Services staff and temporary workers.

Mary Ellen Lopez, Scalehouse Cashier of the Sun Street Transfer Station in Salinas expressed her concerns regarding the uncertainty of her employment and the elimination of services to the 300 to 400 customers that utilize the Sun Street facility daily.

CONSENT AGENDA (6:12)

1. Minutes of October 19, 2017, Regular Meeting
2. September 2017 Claims and Financial Reports
3. October 2017 Member and Interagency Activity Report
4. Strategic Plan 2016-19 Goals & Objectives Monthly Progress Report
5. Tonnage and Diversion Report for the Quarter Ended September 30, 2017
6. Resolution No. 2017-30 Approving the Allocation of Cash Balances for Fiscal Year 2016-17, and Supplemental Appropriation for CIP 9527 – JC Module 7 engineering and Construction
7. Resolution No. 2017-31 Revising the Designated Positions of the Authority's Conflict of Interest Code Rescinding Resolution 2016-31
8. Resolution No. 2017-32 Approving an Agreement with Salinas Pump Company for the Replacement of a Groundwater Well at Johnson Canyon Landfill

Public Comment: None

Board Comments: None

Motion: Director Barrera made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented. Director Silva seconded the motion.

Votes: Motion carried 8 ,0

Ayes: Salinas, Phillips, De La Rosa, Barrera, Silva, Bourke, Cullen, Gunter (alt)

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Craig, Torres

PRESENTATION

9. FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES FOR INFRASTRUCTURE

(6:12) General Manager/CAO Patrick Mathews provided a report on funding opportunities and resources available for infrastructure projects. He detailed the guidelines and requirements for each option.

Public Comment: None

Board Comments: The Board discussed the presentation.

Motion None; Informational only

CONSIDERATION

10. COMPREHENSIVE ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2017

(6:24) Finance and Administration Manager Hendricks presented a report on the results of the annual financial audit conducted by McGilloway, Ray, Brown & Kaufman, informing the Board that the Authority did not receive a management letter and will once again be applying for the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting award. The report demonstrated that the Authority's net deficit improved 90% from the last fiscal years, however, still has a negative net position due to having more liabilities than assets.

(6:32) Jacinto Bernal, Senior Auditor with McGilloway, Ray, Brown & Kaufman, provided a clean opinion of the Authority's finances. He reported that all accounting standards were met, that all timelines were met, and that all the new Governmental Accounting Standards Board's requirements were implemented.

Public Comment: None

Board Comments: The Board discussed the presentation.

Motion: Director Silva made a motion to accept the report. Director Gunter seconded the motion.

Votes: Motion carried 8,0

Ayes: Salinas, Phillips, De La Rosa, Barrera, Silva, Bourke, Cullen, Gunter (alt)

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Craig, Torres

11. APPOINTMENT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE FOR THE 2018 ELECTION OF OFFICERS

(6:40) General Manager/CAO Patrick Mathews explained the election process and the guidelines imposed by the Authority Code requesting the election of two member for the nominating committee.

Public Comment: None

Board Comments: The Board discussed the item.

Motion By consensus, Director Barrera and Director Silva were appointed to the Nominating Committee.

12. INTRODUCTION & FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 10 AMENDING AUTHORITY CODE ARTICLE 2.08 CONFLICT OF INTEREST CODE, SECTION 2.08.010 AND 2.08.020

(6:42) General Manager/CAO Patrick Mathews provided a report on the changes requested by the County. Director Salinas introduced the ordinance by title only.

Public Comment: None

Board Comments: None

Motion By Consensus, the Board directed staff to schedule a public hearing for the second reading and adoption.

CLOSED SESSION

13. Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8 to confer with General Counsel and real property negotiators General Manager/CAO Patrick Mathews, Asst. General Manager/Operation Manage Cesar Zuniga, 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) Harrison Rd & Sala Rd, Salinas, CA 93907, APN 113-091-017

14. Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6 to provide instruction to General Manager/CAO Patrick Mathews to negotiate salaries and benefits with SVSWA employees - management and non-management.
15. Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957 (b) to consider the Performance Evaluation of the General Manager/Chief Administrative Officer Patrick Mathew.

(6:45) President Salinas invited public comment.

Public Comment: Chris Steinbrenner, Salinas resident and landowner on Harrison Road, spoke in opposition of payment for the Harrison/Sala Road property, commenting that the Salinas Chambers of Commerce and Agriculture are against it.

Dirk Giannini, landowner/grower and resident of Salinas, spoke in opposition of the third payment for the Harrison/Sala Road property, commenting on his concerns for food safety in the surrounding agricultural properties.

Norm Groot from Monterey County Farm Bureau expressed his concerns regarding the lack of communication with the stake holders surrounding the Sala/Harrison Road property regarding the project of a potential transfer station nearby. He commented on the food safety issues that it could cause with refuse trucks driving near farmlands.

Juan Camacho, Field Operations Supervisor I of the Sun Street Transfer Station and resident of the City of Salinas, expressed his concerns with food safety in the surrounding agricultural properties of the roads leading to the Monterey Regional Waste Management District in the City of Marina if garbage is sent to that facility. He commented potential illegal dumping at school, business, and roads that may cause.

Shelly Daoro, landowner in the City Salinas, spoke in opposition of a transfer station in the North side entrance of the City of Salinas.

(6:54) President Salinas adjourned the meeting into closed session to discuss Item Nos. 13, 14, and 15.

RECONVENE

(7:57) President Salinas reconvened the open session with no reportable action taken in closed session.

CONSIDERATION

16. RESOLUTION 2017-33 APPROVING THE GRANTS AND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2017-18

(7: 57) Finance Manager Hendricks provided a report on the budget adjustments needed to fund the Grants and Capital Improvement Projects accounts for the current fiscal year.

Public Comment: None

Board Comments: None

Motion: Director Barrera made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2017-33. Director Cullen seconded the motion.

Votes: Motion carried 8,0

Ayes:	Salinas, Phillips, De La Rosa, Barrera, Silva, Bourke, Cullen, Gunter (alt)
Noes:	None
Abstain:	None
Absent:	Craig, Torres

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

17. AGENDA ITEMS – VIEW AHEAD SCHEDULE

(8:01) The Board reviewed the future agenda items.

ADJOURN

(8:02) President Salinas adjourned the meeting.

Attest: Erika J. Trujillo
 Erika J. Trujillo, Clerk of the Board

APPROVED: Simón Salinas
 Simón Salinas, President