

**MINUTES OF  
THE SALINAS VALLEY SOLID WASTE AUTHORITY  
BOARD MEETING  
NOVEMBER 15, 2018**

**CALL TO ORDER**

President Salinas called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

The following Board Directors were present:

County of Monterey	Simon Salinas, President
County of Monterey	John M. Phillips
City of Salinas	Tony Barrera
City of Salinas	Gloria De La Rosa, Alt. Vice President
City of Salinas	Kimbley Craig
City of Gonzales	Elizabeth Silva
City of Soledad	Carla Stewart (Alternate)
City of King	Robert Cullen, Vice President
City of Greenfield	Avelina Torres

The following Board Directors were absent:

City of Soledad	Christopher K. Bourke
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Staff Members Present:

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

**MEETING ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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

**GENERAL MANAGER COMMENTS**

(6:02) General Manager/CAO Patrick Mathews wished the Board a happy Americas Recycles Day. He commented on the support of the Executive Committee to cancel the December meetings as there are no vital Board action items pending.

**DEPARTMENT MANAGER COMMENTS**

(6:03) Resource Recovery Manager Brooks commented on the completed Board of Directors video that was playing prior to the meeting commencing and thanked the Board for their participation.

**BOARD DIRECTORS COMMENTS**

(6:04) Director Silva wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

(6:04) None

**RECOGNITIONS**

(6:04) General Manager/CAO Mathews presented proclamations to the following exiting Board members honoring their service with the Authority Board.

- A. President Simon Salinas, member since January 1997
- B. Director Avelina Torres, member since December 2014
- C. Director Kimbley Craig, member since December 2016
- D. Director Christopher Bourke, member since January 2017 (absent)

**Board Comments:** Director Torres thanked the Authority staff for all their work. Director Craig expressed her appreciation for the efforts to bring her up to speed. President Salinas thanked the Directors for their service.

**Public Comment:** None

**CONSENT AGENDA (6:09)**

1. Minutes of October 18, 2018, Special Meeting
2. September 2018 Claims and Financial Reports
3. Member and Interagency Activity Report for October 2018 and Upcoming Events
4. Tonnage and Diversion Report for the Quarter Ended September 30, 2018
5. Resolution No. 2018-37 Approving the Allocation of Cash Balances for Fiscal Year 2017-18, and Supplemental Appropriation for Pay Down of CalPERS Unfunded Actuarial Liability and Monterey County Litter Abatement Program
6. Resolution No. 2018-38 Approving the Strategic Plan and the Strategic Plan Actions through October 24, 2019
7. Resolution No. 2018-39 Awarding the Purchase of a New Composting Aeration and Control Equipment and Approving A Professional Services Agreement for Installation to Green Mountain Technologies, Inc. For the Amount Of \$331,191.00
8. Notification of the Release of a Request for Bids for The Johnson Canyon Landfill Module 7 Construction Project (CIP 9527)
9. Citizens Advisory Group Annual Report
10. Resolution No. 2018-40 Awarding the Agreement to Cascadia Consulting Group to Conduct Waste Characterization Study for the Amount of \$154,383.00

**Board Comments:** None

**Public Comment:** None

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

**Votes:** Motion carried 9,0

Ayes: Salinas, Cullen, De La Rosa, Silva, Barrera, Craig, Torres, Phillips, Stewart (Alt.)

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Bourke

**PRESENTATION**

**11. RECYCLING RECOGNITION**

(6:09) Resource Recovery Manager Brooks presented a Recycling Recognition to Maury Treleven whom was selected by the Resource Recovery team for her commitment and personal commitment to reducing waste in the South Monterey County. Mr. Brooks summarized Mrs. Treleven's background, experience, and dedication. (6:12) Mr. Treleven thanked the Resource Recovery staff for their work and for her recognition.

**Board Comments:** The Board commended Mrs. Treleven for her work and dedication.

**Public Comment:** None

**Motion:** None; Information only

## **CONSIDERATION**

### **12. APPOINTMENT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE FOR THE 2019 ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

(6:16) General Manager/CAO Mathews explained the current rotation according to the Authority Joint Powers Agreement. President Salinas requested for two volunteers.

**Board Comments:** The Board discussed the current rotation.

**Public Comment:** None

**Motion:** Director Phillips made a motion to nominate Director Silva and Director Barrera to the Nominating Committee. Director Torres seconded the motion.

**Votes:** Motion carried 9,0

**Ayes:** Salinas, Cullen, De La Rosa, Silva, Barrera, Craig, Torres, Phillips, Steward (Alt.)

**Noes:** None

**Abstain:** None

**Absent:** Bourke

### **13. COST ANALYSIS FOR PROCESSING CONSTRUCTION AND DEMOLITION, ORGANIC, AND WOOD MATERIAL**

(6:18) Assistant General Manager/Operations Zuñiga reported on the updated current process and cost for the recovery of construction and demolition, wood, and organics, as part of the Authority's overall organic's diversion program expansion. He explained the new state mandates that will impact the current process and detailed alternative options available to process the materials and the cost for each option.

**Board Comments:** The Board discussed the report.

**Public Comment:** Tim Flanagan, General Manager of the Monterey Regional Waste Management District (District) comment on the capacity of the District's Material Recovery Facility to handle mixed construction and demolition material. He indicated is looking forward to working with Authority staff on discussions of collaboration opportunities.

**Motion:** By Consensus the Board defer this item until after the Memorandum of Understanding discussions are finalized.

### **14. COLLABORATION MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) BETWEEN SALINAS VALLEY SOLID WASTE AUTHORITY AND MONTEREY REGIONAL WASTE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT**

(6:37) General Manager/CAO Mathews informed the Board that the City Council of Salinas had just posted an agenda item scheduled for their November 20 meeting to consider the submittal of a one-year notice of intent to withdrawal from the Joint Powers Agreement with the Authority. He indicated that some of the collaboration opportunities within the MOU might be affected by the Salinas withdrawal, however at this time the full extent of impacts to MOU related actions and SVR ratepayers is not fully known. Mr. Mathews explained that the stakeholders meeting took place on November 13, with the group providing feedback on the MOU. MOU Version 5 being presented contained the changes requested and agreed to by the group, including the City of Salinas representatives.

**Board Comments:** The Board discussed the presentation inquiring about the Districts approval of the MOU, clarity of obligations for each party, and requested

consideration of rate increases and employment loss when discussing the agreements of the MOU.

**Public Comment:** Tim Flanagan, General Manager of the Monterey Regional Waste Management District (District) indicated the MOU is scheduled for the District's Board meeting on November 30. He stated District staff would be developing the MOU report within the week recommending approval of the MOU.

**Staff Comments:** Mr. Mathews indicated the agreement negotiations will be discussed considering impacts of implementation, cost, and benefits. He recommended quarterly progress updates for each individual option to keep the Board informed.

**Legal Counsel:** Mr. Bruen explained that the process for the negotiation of disposal agreements will include commitments for each party such as cost, length of agreement, contamination issues, rate increases, and cost increases. He indicated that the intricate issues of assuring the bond payment requirements and waste flow that are required by the Authorities Joint Powers Agreement would be detailed within the agreements.

**Motion:** Director Barrera made a motion to approve the MOU as presented. Director Cullen seconded the motion.

**Votes:** Motion carried 9,0

Ayes: Salinas, Phillips, De La Rosa, Barrera, Craig, Silva, Torres, Cullen, Stewart (Alt.)

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Bourke

## 15. LONG-TERM FACILITY NEEDS ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT, REVISED PROJECT DESCRIPTION FOR MADISON LANE TRANSFER STATION

(7:03) General Manager/CAO Mathews informed the Board that it was brought to the attention of the Authority staff that Republic Services, waste hauler for the City of Salinas, was currently in negotiations with Waste Management Inc., owner of the Madison Lane Transfer Station for the purchase of the property, consequently affecting the Project Description requested by the Board at its October 18, 2018 Strategic Planning retreat and being presented at this meeting. Mr. Mathews recommended this item be deferred until the January 2019 Board meeting to allow Authority staff to obtain more information and revise the project description accordingly.

**Board Comments:** The Board discussed the information provided.

**Public Comment:** None

**Motion:** Director Craig made a motion to defer the item until the January 2019 Board meeting. Director De La Rosa seconded the motion.

**Votes:** Motion carried 9,0

Ayes: Salinas, Phillips, De La Rosa, Barrera, Craig, Silva, Torres, Cullen, Stewart (Alt.)

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Bourke

## FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

### 16. AGENDA ITEMS – VIEW AHEAD SCHEDULE

(7:06) The Board reviewed the future agenda items. Director Craig commented on the review of administrative agreements, recommending Request for Bids to be released.

**CLOSED SESSION**

(7:00) President Salinas invited public comment related to the following closed session items:

17. Pursuant to **Government Code Section 54957 (b)** to consider the Performance Evaluation of the General Manager/Chief Administrative Officer Patrick Mathews.
18. Pursuant to **Government Code Section 54956.8** to confer with legal counsel and real property negotiators General Manager/CAO Patrick Mathews, Asst. GM/Ops Manager Cesar Zuñiga, Finance and Administration Manager Ray Hendricks, 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, California; and 2) Waste Management, Inc Property, APNs 261-051-005, 007, and 019, located at 1120 Madison Lane, Salinas, California.

**Public Comment:** None

(7:00) President Salinas adjourned the meeting into closed session to discuss Item Nos. 17 and 18.

**RECONVENE**

(7:23) President Salinas reconvened the meeting to open session with no reportable action taken in closed session.

**ADJOURNED**

(7:24) President Salinas adjourned the meeting.

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

Robert Cullen, President

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_

Erika J. Trujillo, Clerk of the Board