

**MINUTES OF
THE SALINAS VALLEY SOLID WASTE AUTHORITY
BOARD MEETING
NOVEMBER 19, 2020**

128 Sun Street, Suite 101, Salinas CA
(Board of Directors and several staff attended remotely from various locations)

CALL TO ORDER

President Cullen called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

ROLL CALL

The following Board Directors were present (via Teleconference):

County of Monterey	John M. Phillips
County of Monterey	Chris Lopez, Alt. Vice President <i>(logged in at 6:12 p.m.)</i>
City of Salinas	Gloria De La Rosa, Vice President <i>(logged off at 6:45 p.m.)</i>
City of Salinas	Christie Cromeenes
City of Salinas	John "Tony" Villegas
City of Gonzales	Elizabeth Silva
City of Greenfield	Andrew Tipton
City of King	Robert Cullen, President

The following Board Directors were absent:

City of Soledad	Marisela Lara
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Staff Member Present (at location):

Rosie Ramirez, Administration Assistant
Erika J. Trujillo, Clerk of the Board

Via Teleconference

Patrick Mathews, General Manager/CAO
Cesar Zuñiga, Asst. GM/Operations Manager
Ray Hendricks, Finance and Administration Manager
Mandy Brooks, Resource Recovery Manager
Brian Kennedy, Engineering and Environmental Compliance Manager
Estela Gutierrez, Resource Recovery Technician
Roy Santos, General Counsel

MEETING ANNOUNCEMENTS

(6:01) President Cullen announced the following:

- To make general public comment or comments on a specific agenda item member participating via ZOOM members from the public must click the raise hand button and for members participating via telephone must press *9 to raise hand.
- There where no emailed Comments received prior to the deadline to read into the record.
- Spanish translation services were available by calling in to 1(425) 436-6345 and using Access Code: 444666.

(6:02) Clerk of the Board Trujillo announced the availability of translation services in Spanish.

GENERAL MANAGER COMMENTS

(6:03) General Manager/CAO Mathews indicated the Authority continues to be clear of COVID-19 cases within the Agency.

DEPARTMENT MANAGER COMMENTS

(6:05) None

BOARD DIRECTORS COMMENTS

(6:06) None

PUBLIC COMMENT

(6:07) None

RECOGNITIONS

(6:08) President Cullen presented a proclamation to exiting Board member De La Rosa and Villegas. Board members and staff thanked the exiting Board members for their service.

CONSENT AGENDA (6:37)

1. Minutes of the October 15, 2020 Regular Meeting
2. September 2020 Claims and Financial Reports
3. Member and Interagency Activities Report for October 2020 and Upcoming Events
4. Tonnage and Diversion Report for the Quarter Ended September 30, 2020
5. Resolution No. 2020-40 Approving the Allocation of Cash Balances for Fiscal Year 2019-20, and Supplemental Appropriation to Fund a 115 Trust for CalPERS Unfunded Actuarial Liability
6. Resolution No. 2020-41 Authorizing the Purchase of One Used 2019 Caterpillar 623k Scraper for the Johnson Canyon Landfill from Quinn Caterpillar of Salinas for an Amount of \$682,812.50
7. Resolution No. 2020-42 Declaring Surplus Property and Authorizing the General Manager/CAO to Dispose of Property
8. Resolution No 2020-43 Approving the California Employers' Pension Prefunding Trust Program Agreement with CalPERS

Public Comment: None

Motion: Alternate President Lopez made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented. Vice President De La Rosa seconded the motion.

Votes: Motion carried 8,0

Ayes: Cromeenes, Cullen, De La Rosa, Lopez, Phillips, Tipton, Silva, Villegas

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Lara

PRESENTATION**9. RECYCLING RECOGNITION**

(6:39) Mandy Brooks, Resource Recovery Manager provided a brief history of Monterey Mushroom commitment to reduce waste. She introduced Estela Gutierrez, Resource Recovery Technician with the Authority, Karina Alcala with Monterey County Environmental Health Department, and Kristin Skromme with Waste Management. The three agencies collaborated with Monterey Mushroom to implement a Sustainable Recycling Program. The accomplishments of the implementation of the program were highlighted and Monterey Mushroom was presented with a Certificate of Recognition for its leadership in sustainability, stewardship to the environment, and the community.

Board Discussion: The Board commended Monterey Mushrooms for their accomplishments.

Public Comment: Grant Leonard, Authority Advisory Committee member commended Monterey Mushroom for their leadership and accomplishments.

Motion: None; Information Only

(6:45) Vice President De La Rosa logged off.

10. SB 1383 PROGRAM PLANNING AND ORGANICS PRODUCTS MARKETING FINAL REPORTS

(7:00) Mandy Brooks, Resource Recovery Manager provided a history on the purpose of the SB 1383 Program Planning and Organics Production Marketing reports. Mrs. Brooks introduced Tracie Bills, from SCS Engineers and Rachel Oster, from Diversion Strategies, and Theo Fehsenfeld and Jeff Gage, from Green Mountain Technology who presented the findings of the reports. The program planning and marketing reports will be utilized by the Authority and the member agencies to meet the new State mandates and to ensure the production of high quality marketable organic products.

Board Comment: The Board discussed the report.

Public Comment: None

Motion: None; Informational Only

11. UPDATE ON THE GLORIA/IVERSON/JOHNSON CANYON ROAD IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

(7:34) Cesar Zuñiga, Asst. General Manager/Operations Manager provided a brief history on the collaboration between the County of Monterey, the City of Gonzales, and the Authority during the process of the project. He introduced Randy Ishii, Monterey County Chief of Public Works who presented a detailed report on the project and its completion.

Board Comment: The Board discussed the report.

Public Comment: Grant Leonard, Authority Advisory Committee member commended staff on the project recommending that the project be submitted for the Transportation Agency for Monterey County Excellence award.

Motion: None; Informational Only

CONSIDERATION

12. DEMONSTRATION OF THE AGRICULTURE PLASTICS TO TRANSPORTATION FUEL PROJECT

(7:45) General Manager/CAO Mathews introduced Michael Brown and provided a brief history on the previous partnership with the Authority. Mr. Brown provided a report on the PLASTIKFUEL technology that has been operating in Mexico for three years which converts dirty waste plastic into finished certified, drop-in fuel, such as diesel and gasoline. Mr. Brown presented a demonstration video of the San Bernardino pilot plant that outlined the process. He reviewed the proposal being presented to the Authority to lease property at the Crazy Horse Landfill for a demonstration project supported by local agricultural interests.

Board Comment: The Board discussed the report.

Public Comment: Tannis Thorlakson from Driscoll, Julie Conti, Vice President of Plastikfuel, Andrew Jolin, Steven Johnson former General Manager of the Authority, Grant Leonard member of the Authority Advisory Committee commented on their support for the project.

Motion: By consensus the Board directed staff to gather additional information and present to the Board prior to moving forward.

13. APPOINTMENT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE FOR THE 2021 ELECTION OF OFFICERS

(8:50) General Manager/CAO Mathews explained the nomination process and rotation for the election of offices based on the Authority Code. He explained in detail each of the options

available and the reason for the change in the rotation due to the election results. President Cullen requested two volunteers for the Nominating Committee.

Board Comment: The Board discussed the report. Director Phillips and Director Silva Volunteered to be in the Nominating committee.

Public Comment: None

Motion: By Consensus the Board elected Director Phillips and Silva to form the Nominating Committee.

14. UPDATE ON SUN STREET TRANSFER STATION RELOCATION PROJECT AND ON THE CITY OF SALINAS' ONE YEAR NOTICE OF INTENT TO WITHDRAWAL FROM THE JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT WITH THE SALINAS VALLEY SOLID WASTE AUTHORITY

(9:02) General Manager/CAO Mathews reported that weekly meetings continue between staff from Republic Services, the City of Salinas Interim City Manager, Public Works Director, and Authority staff to discuss details on the a collaborative relocation project. President Cullen indicated he has no information related to this item. Director Cromeenes indicated progress has been made and the Authority staff will be contacted and will be provided with further information.

Board Comment: The Board discussed the report.

Public Comment: None

Motion: None; Informational Only

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

15. AGENDA ITEMS – VIEW AHEAD SCHEDULE

(9:07) The Board reviewed the future agenda items.

CLOSED SESSION

(9:09) President Cullen indicated Items Nos. 16 and 17 would be discussed during closed session.

16. 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 General Counsel Roy C. Santos, 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: **2)** Republic Services Property, APNs 261-051-005, 007, and 019, located at 1120 Madison Lane, Salinas, California

17. Pursuant to Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957 (b) to consider the Performance Evaluation of the General Manager/Chief Administrative Officer Patrick Mathews for 2020

(9:09) President Cullen adjourned the meeting into closed to session to discuss Items Nos. 16 and 17.

RECONVENED


(10:05) President Cullen reconvened the meeting to open session with no reportable actions taken in closed session.

ADJOURNED

(10:06) President Cullen adjourned the meeting.

Minutes – November 19, 2020

APPROVED:

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Christopher M. Lopez, President

Attest:



Erika J. Trujillo, Clerk of the Board