# MINUTES OF MEETING SALINAS VALLEY SOLID WASTE AUTHORITY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE April 5, 2018

### **CALL TO ORDER**

President Salinas called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

# **COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT**

Simón Salinas

President

Rob Cullen

Vice President

Gloria De La Rosa

Alternate Vice President

#### STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT

Patrick Mathews, General Manager/CAO

Cesar Zuniga, Asst. General Manager/

Operations Manager

Ray Hendricks, Finance and Administration

Manager

Mandy Brooks, Resources Recovery

Manager

Brian Kennedy, Engineering and Environmental

Compliance Manager

Erika J. Trujillo, Clerk of the Board Thomas Bruen, General Counsel

(via telephone)

# GENERAL MANAGER AND DEPARTMENT MANAGER COMMENTS

(4:03) General Manager/CAO Mathews advised the committee that April is Earth month and several community events will be occurring with the Authority hosting its Annual Natividad Creek Clean up on April 21, from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Resource Recovery Manager Brooks stated the Authority will be holding the Tire Amnesty event from April 14 through April 28 at all three facilities. Finance and Administrative Manager Hendricks reported on the progress made for the CalPERS amendment and final step needed that is scheduled for the April Board of Directors meeting. He informed the Committee there is a tentative Rate Hearing scheduled for the May Board meeting to revise the Service and Rate fees for fiscal year 2018-19 contingent on the City of Salinas support of the green waste contract amendment with Republic Services. The amendment is necessary to fully fund the Board approved organics program expansion and to equalize rates for all member agencies. AB 939 fees would have to be adjusted if the City does not support Republic Services amending their greenwaste processing agreement to fund their share of the approved organics processing expansion project.

#### **COMMITTEE COMMENTS**

(4:05) Director De La Rosa commented on the Block Party event that will be held on April 21 from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. at Santa Rita School. Director Cullen stated King City will be having their Clean up event on April 21. He reminded the Committee he will not be attending the April 19 Board of Directors meeting. Director Salinas stated Chualar will be having their Clean up event on May 5.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

(4:08) Letty Hernandez, volunteer at the Urban Local Gardeners at Natividad Creek Park expressed her support for the Authorities dedication to environmental awareness, extending her assistance if ever needed. She commented on her wish to take responsibility for waste being produced and in educating youth on the impacts wastefulness, demonstrated by her recent acceptance of employment at the Center for Land-Based Learning.

#### **COMMITTEE COMMENTS**

(4:10) The Committee commended her on her dedication to the environment, commitment to her community, and youth.

#### **CONSIDERATION ITEMS**

Minutes of March 1, 2018, Meeting

(4:11)

**Public Comment:** 

None

Committee Action:

Vice President Cullen made a motion to approve the minutes as

presented. Alternate Vice President De La Rosa seconded the motion.

The motion passed unanimously: 3-0.

February 2018 Claims and Financial Reports

(4:12) Finance and Administration Manager Hendricks provided a report on the Agency's finances, stating that expenditures are comparable to last year and that there is a slight increase in revenues.

**Public Comment:** 

None

Committee Discussion: The Committee discussed the report.

Committee Action:

Alternate Vice President De La Rosa made a motion to forward to the Board recommending approval. Vice President Cullen seconded the

motion. The motion passed unanimously; 3-0

A Resolution Establishing the Investment Policy

(4:16) Finance and Administration Manager Hendricks reviewed the investment policy, which reflects a change in language to have the quarterly investment reports presented to the Board at the first regular meeting after the end of each quarter opposed to having them presented within 30 days. This will accommodate the Board of Directors decision to take a recess in the month of July.

**Public Comment:** 

None

**Committee Discussion:** The Committee discussed the report.

Committee Action:

Vice President Cullen made a motion to accept the report and forward

the report to the Board of Directors recommending approval.

Alternate Vice President De La Rosa seconded the motion. The motion

passed: 3-0

#### PRESENTATION(S)

2016-19 Strategic Plan Goals and Six-Month Objectives through October 2018

(4:18) General Manager/CAO Mathews reviewed the draft Strategic Plan Goals and Objectives matrix. Detailing each objective and explaining the reason for its development. He presented the draft Power Point presentation that will be provided at the April 19 Board of Directors meeting for discussion on new site options for the Long-Term Facility Needs Study Project, potential collaborations, and financial updates for Monterey Regional Waste Management District, and the tentative schedule to restart the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), Environmental Impact Report (EIR).

(5:24) Legal Counsel Bruen provided an overview of CEQA process options detailing the difference between each option.

Simón Salinas, President

**Public Comment:** 

None

Committee Discussion: The Board discussed the presentation inquiring about other potential

revenue programs, collaboration opportunities, and concerns from

businesses surrounding the Salinas Transfer Station.

**Committee Action:** 

By consensus the Committee directed staff to forward the presentation

APPROVED:

to the Board of Directors.

# **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

Agenda Items – View Ahead

(5:34) The committee reviewed the future items.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

(5:35) President Salinas adjourned the meeting.

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