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**Errata**  
**to**  
**Minutes of the Salinas Valley Solid Waste Authority**  
**Board Meeting March 21, 2024**

**The following corrections should be made:**

**p. 1, Call to Order:**

**a.m. should be p.m.**

**p. 1, Staff Member Present, line 3:**

**delete the word virtual after the word manager.**

**MINUTES OF  
THE SALINAS VALLEY SOLID WASTE AUTHORITY  
BOARD MEETING  
MARCH 21, 2024**

117 Fourth Street, Gonzales, Ca 93926

**CALL TO ORDER**

President Rocha called the meeting to order at 6:00 a.m.

**ROLL CALL**

**Board Directors**

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|--------------------|------------------------------------|
| County of Monterey | Luis A. Alejo ( <i>Alternate</i> ) |
| City of Salinas    | Anthony Rocha, <i>President</i>    |
| City of Salinas    | Andrew Sandoval                    |
| City of Gonzales   | Liz Silva                          |
| City of Greenfield | Drew Tipton                        |
| City of King       | Robert Cullen                      |

**Absent**

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| County of Monterey | Christopher M. Lopez                          |
| County of Monterey | Glenn Church, <i>Alternate Vice President</i> |
| City of Salinas    | Carla Viviana Gonzáles                        |
| City of Soledad    | Ben Jimenez, <i>Vice President</i>            |

**Staff Member Present**

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| Patrick Mathews, General Manager/CAO                            |
| Cesar Zuñiga, Asst. GM/Operations Manager                       |
| Mandy Brooks, Resource Recovery Manager ( <i>Virtual</i> )      |
| Ray Hendricks, Finance and Administration Manager               |
| Brian Kennedy, Engineering and Environmental Compliance Manager |
| Julia Brooker, Resource Recovery Technician                     |
| Elia Zavala, Contracts and Grants Analyst                       |
| Roy Santos, General Legal Counsel ( <i>Virtually</i> )          |
| Rosie Ramirez, Administrative Assistant                         |
| Erika J. Trujillo, Clerk of the Board                           |

**MEETING ANNOUNCEMENTS**

(6:01) Clerk of the Board Trujillo announced in Spanish the availability of translation services via Zoom.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA (6:04)**

**Staff Comments:** None

**Board Discussion:** None

**Public Comment:** None

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

**Votes:** Motion carried 6,0

**Ayes:** Alejo (Alt), Cullen, Rocha, Sandoval, Silva, Tipton

**Noes:** None

**Abstain:** None

**Absent:** Church, Gonzalez, Jimenez, Lopez

**GENERAL MANAGER/CAO COMMENTS**

(6:02) None

**DEPARTMENT MANAGER COMMENTS**

(6:02) Resource Recovery Manager Brooks reminded the Board of the Youth Council's Sustainability Fair and Grand Opening of the Education Center on April 6 at the Johnson Canyon Landfill and the Composting Event at the Rancho Cielo Garden on March 30.

**GENERAL LEGAL COUNSEL**

(6:03) None

**BOARD DIRECTOR COMMENTS**

(6:04) Director Sandoval commented on the Authority's social media campaign created by the youth council, commending the group for its creativity.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

(6:05) None

**CONSENT AGENDA (6:06)**

1. Minutes of the February 15, 2024 Meeting
2. January 2024 Claims and Financial Report
3. Member and Interagency Activities Report for February 2024
4. ~~A Resolution Approving Amendment No. 14 to the Revised and Restated Agreement Between the Salinas Valley Solid Waste Authority and R. Patrick Mathews for Services as General Manager/Chief Administrative Officer (GM/CAO)~~
5. Resolution No. 2024-10 Approving Amendment No. 1 Authorizing a One-year Extension to the Professional Service Agreement with Clean Earth Solutions, Inc. for Household Hazardous Waste Collection, Transportation, and Disposal for Mobile Collection Events
6. Resolution No. 2024-11 Authorizing the Purchase of One Used 2017 Caterpillar D6N XL Dozer for the Johnson Canyon Landfill Module Develop and Rolling Closure from Wilson Equipment Rental and Sales for an Amount of \$254,290
7. Resolution No. 2024-12 Authorizing the Purchase of One Used 2020 Caterpillar 836K Compactor for the Johnson Canyon Landfill from Bentley Machinery for an Amount of \$915,875

**Public Comment:** None**Board Discussion:** None**Motion:** Director Cullen made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented. Director Tipton seconded the motion.**Votes:** Motion carried 6,0

Ayes: Alejo (Alt), Cullen, Rocha, Sandoval, Silva, Tipton

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Church, Gonzalez, Jimenez, Lopez

**4. RESOLUTION NO. 224-13 APPROVING AMENDMENT NO. 14 TO THE REVISED AND RESTATED AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE SALINAS VALLEY SOLID WASTE AUTHORITY AND R. PATRICK MATHEWS FOR SERVICES AS GENERAL MANAGER/CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER (GM/CAO)**

(6:09) Director Silva requested item numbered four be pulled from the consent agenda for clarification. She inquired if this item and item number twelve on the agenda are the same

item. Staff clarified that the resolution being considered under this item was separate from the topic to be discussed under item twelve.

**Public Comment:** None

**Board Discussion:** None

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

**Votes:** Motion carried 6,0

**Ayes:** Alejo (Alt), Cullen, Rocha, Sandoval, Silva, Tipton

**Noes:** None

**Abstain:** None

**Absent:** Church, Gonzalez, Jimenez, Lopez

## **PUBLIC HEARING**

### **8. RESOLUTION NO. 2024-14 APPROVING THE DISPOSAL AND SERVICE FEES EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024**

(6:10) Finance and Administration Manager Hendricks detailed the proposed Disposal and Service Fees effective July 1, 2024. He explained that fully funding the AB939 fees will ensure the programs will eliminate the tipping fee subsidy. Mr. Hendricks detailed the estimated rate impacts on the customers.

**Public Hearing:** The Public Hearing was opened for public comment at 6:14 pm. No public comment was received. The Public Hearing was closed at 6:15 pm.

**Board Discussion:** The Board discussed the presentation.

**Motion:** Director Sandoval made a motion to approve resolution number 2024-14. Director Cullen seconded the motion.

**Votes:** Motion carried 6,0

**Ayes:** Alejo (Alt), Cullen, Rocha, Sandoval, Silva, Tipton

**Noes:** None

**Abstain:** None

**Absent:** Church, Gonzalez, Jimenez, Lopez

## **CONSIDERATION**

### **9. RESOLUTION NO. 2024-15 APPROVING A REVISED PERSONNEL ALLOCATION FOR FY 2023-24 AND THE OPERATING BUDGET, AND SALARY SCHEDULE FOR FY 2024-25**

(6:09) Finance and Administration Manager Hendricks presented the proposed Operating and CIP budget. He explained the budget fully funds the AB 939 programs and keeps the tipping fees the same. The budget includes the request for two additional Diversion Workers to assist with the traffic increases at the South County facilities with no other changes in operations. He explained the updated staffing allocation is effective on March 21, 2024, the operating budget is effective July 1, 2024, and the salary schedule effective July 8, 2024.

**Public Comment:** None

**Board Discussion:** None

**Motion:** Director Cullen made a motion to approve resolution number 2024-15. Director Tipton seconded the motion.

**Votes:** Motion carried 6,0

**Ayes:** Alejo (Alt), Cullen, Rocha, Sandoval, Silva, Tipton

**Noes:** None

**Abstain:** None

**Absent:** Church, Gonzalez, Jimenez, Lopez

**PRESENTATION**

**10. 2023 FRANCHISE WASTE HAULERS PERFORMANCE REPORT**

(6:21) Contracts and Grants Analyst Zavala presented the 2023 Franchise Waste Hauler Performance Report. She explained that the Authority administers the franchise hauler contracts for the Cities of Gonzales, Soledad, and Greenfield (Tri-Cities Disposal), and the City of King (Waste Management) and provided a three-year comparison that demonstrated an overall increase in trash collection from both haulers. Mrs. Zavala reported that despite the increase, the cities continue to be in compliance with state mandates and the haulers continue to actively assist commercial businesses to comply with state mandates AB 341, AB 1826, and SB 1383. The two haulers fulfilled their annual contract obligation.

**Public Comment:** None

**Board Discussion:** The Board discussed the presentation.

**Motion:** None; Informational only.

**FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

**11. AGENDA ITEMS – VIEW AHEAD SCHEDULE**

**CLOSED SESSION**

**12.** Pursuant to **Government Code Section 54957 (b)** for labor negotiation with General Counsel Roy C. Santos, to negotiate with General Manager/Chief Administrative Officer R. Patrick Mathews.

**13.** Pursuant to **Government Code Section 54957 (b)** to discuss the process of the Performance Evaluation Process of the General Council Roy C. Santos.

(6:38) President Rocha invited public comment related to items numbered 12 and 13.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

**ADJOURNED**


(6:39) President Rocha adjourned the meeting into Closed Session to discuss items numbered 12 and 13.


**RECONVENE**

(7:10) President Rocha reconvened the meeting to open session indicating that there were no reportable actions taken in the closed session.

**ADJOURNED**

(7:10) President Rocha adjourned the meeting.

APPROVED:   
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Anthony Rocha, President

Attest:   
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Erika J. Trujillo, Clerk of the Board