

**MINUTES OF
THE SALINAS VALLEY SOLID WASTE AUTHORITY
BOARD MEETING
AUGUST 15, 2024**
117 Fourth Street, Gonzales, Ca 93926

CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL

Board Directors

County of Monterey	Glenn Church, <i>Alternate Vice President</i>
County of Monterey	Chirstopher M. Lopez
City of Salinas	Anthony Rocha, <i>President</i>
City of Salinas	Andrew Sandoval
City of Gonzales	Liz Silva, <i>Vice President</i>
City of Greenfield	Drew Tipton

Absent

City of Salinas	Carla Viviana Gonzáles
City of Soledad	Fernando Ansaldo-Sánchez
City of King	Robert Cullen

Staff Member Present

Patrick Mathews, General Manager/CAO
Cesar Zuñiga, Asst. GM/Operations Manager
Mandy Brooks, Resource Recovery Manager
Ray Hendricks, Finance and Administration Manager
Brian Kennedy, Engineering and Environmental Compliance Manager
Michelle E. Sassano, General Legal Counsel (<i>Virtual</i>)
Rosie Ramirez, Administrative Assistant
Erika J. Trujillo, Clerk of the Board

MEETING ANNOUNCEMENTS

(6:02) Clerk of the Board Trujillo announced in Spanish the availability of translation services via Zoom and in person. No members from the public required the service.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA (6:02)

Staff Comments: None

Board Discussion: None

Public Comment: None

Motion: Vice President Silva made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Alternate Vice President Church seconded the motion.

Votes: Motion carried 5,0

Ayes: Church, Lopez, Rocha, Sandoval, Silva, Tipton

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Ansaldo-Sánchez, Cullen, Gonzalez

GENERAL MANAGER/CAO COMMENTS

(6:03) General Manager/CAO Mathews welcomed Michelle Sassano, General Legal Counsel. He reported that the cost estimates for the three capital projects have been received and should be presented to the Executive Committee and Board of Directors in September.

DEPARTMENT MANAGER COMMENTS

(6:04) Finance and Administration Manager Hendricks reported that CalPERS had released the actuarial and that staff would pay down the UAL with amounts in the budget and a request to pay the remaining amount using prior-year fund balance coming to the Board at a later date. Resource Recovery Manager Brooks reported on the upcoming Composting Workshop and giveaway in collaboration with the City of Salinas and the City of Salinas District two clean up event.

GENERAL LEGAL COUNCIL COMMENTS

(6:04) None

BOARD DIRECTOR COMMENTS

(6:05) Director Lopez commented on his garden that began with a visit to the Johnson Canyon Landfill and the purchase of compost, thanking the Board and staff for all the work done related to organics. Director Sandoval commented on the City of Salina's National Night Out, thanking staff for their participation. Director Silva inquired about the Walley Waste-Not Awards.

STAFF COMMENTS

Resource Recovery Manager Brooks indicated that the Walley Waste-Not Awards was restructured to support the Green Team Awards and to sponsor transportation for schools to visit the Education Center at the Johnson Canyon Landfill.

PUBLIC COMMENT

(6:08) None

CONSENT AGENDA (6:08)

1. Minutes of the June 20, 2024 Meeting.
2. May 2024 Claims and Financial Report.
3. June 2024 Claims and Financial Report.
4. June 2024 Quarterly Investments Report.
5. Member and Interagency Activities Report for June and July 2024.
6. Tonnage and Diversion Report for the Quarter Ended June 30, 2024.
7. Resolution No. 20204-51 Authorizing the Purchase of One (1) New 2025 Peterbilt Truck from Coast Counties Peterbilt of Salinas for the Transport Operations for an Amount of \$243,999.59.

Public Comment: None

Board Discussion: None

Motion: Alternate Vice President Church made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented. Director Tipton seconded the motion.

Votes: Motion carried 6,0

Ayes: Church, Lopez, Rocha, Silva, Sandoval, Tipton

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Ansaldo-Sánchez, Gonzalez, Cullen

PRESENTATION

8. LEGISLATIVE UPDATES

(6:09) General Manager/CAO Mathews presented a legislative review and covered new regulatory mandates that could impact the solid waste industry. The presentation highlighted some of the most impactful legislation for Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) Programs. SB54 one of the most recent and significant EPR Programs signed into law that will require all single-use packaging and plastic food service ware sold in CA to either be recyclable or compostable by 2032.

Public: None

Board Discussion: The Board discussed the presentation.

Motion: None; Informational Only

9. ANNUAL TONNAGE AND OPERATIONS REPORT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023-24

(6:30) Assistant General Manager/Operations Manager Zuñiga provided a report of the annual tonnage and operation for fiscal year 2023-24. The report demonstrated that materials being processed and vehicle trips at all facilities continue to be steady. The historical landfilled tonnage since 2013 and totals for processed and diverted materials were detailed.

Public Comment: None

Board Discussion: The Board discussed the presentation.

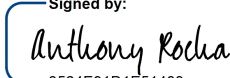
Motion: None; Informational Only

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS (7:18)

10. AGENDA ITEMS – VIEW AHEAD SCHEDULE

ADJOURNED

President Rocha adjourned the meeting at 7:26 p.m.

APPROVED: 

Anthony Rocha, President

Attest: 

Erika J. Trujillo, Clerk of the Board