

**MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING
 SALINAS VALLEY SOLID WASTE AUTHORITY
 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
 February 5, 2025
 126 Sun Street, Salinas, CA 93901**

CALL TO ORDER

President Silva called the meeting to order at 2:33 p.m.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

City of Gonzales	Elizabeth Silva, <i>President</i>
County of Monterey	Glenn Church, <i>Vice President</i>
City of Salinas	Gloria De La Rosa, <i>Alt. Vice President</i>

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT

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

GENERAL MANAGER AND DEPARTMENT MANAGER COMMENTS

(2:34) General Manager/CAO Mathews explained the status of sale of the 139 Sun Street properties and the Lands Act process required.

Engineering and Environmental Compliance Manager Kennedy commented on the status of the Crazy Horse Transfer Station project. He detailed the meetings held with multiple agencies and the projected steps required to continue moving forward with the project. Finance and Administration Manager Hendricks commented on the budget adjustment request that will be taken to the Board for consideration to continue moving forward with the project.

GENERAL COUNSEL COMMENTS

(2:41) None

COMMITTEE COMMENTS

(2:42) None

PUBLIC COMMENT

(2:43) No members of the public were present in the conference room or via Zoom.

CONSIDERATION ITEMS

(2:44)

1. Minutes of January 8, 2025 Meeting

Committee Discussion: None

Public Comment: None

Committee Action: Vice President Church made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Alternate Vice President De La Rosa seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously: 3-0

2. December 2024 Claims and Financial Reports

(2:45) Finance and Administration Manager Hendricks provided a report on the Agency's finances, indicating revenues and expenditures are slightly ahead compared to last year and above the projected budget.

Committee Discussion: None.

Public Comment: No members of the public were present in the conference room or via Zoom.

Committee Action: Alternate Vice President De La Rosa made a motion to forward to the Board recommending approval. Vice President Church seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously: 3-0

3. Fiscal Year 2025-26 Preliminary Budget Direction

(2:46) Finance and Administration Manager Hendricks presented the preliminary budget for fiscal year 2025-26 report. The report included increases in payroll due to insurance premiums, merit increases, and COLA. He explained the request for two new positions: a new Field Operations Supervisor and a new Human Resources Technician due to the Johnson Canyon operations growth and increase of employees requiring the need for the positions. He reviewed in detail the projected revenue, including recommended rate increases in Solid Waste, Organics, Transportation Surcharge, and AB939 fees that will balance the budget, and the projected impact on the customers. He discussed SB 1383 Organic Procurement requirements that are not in the current budget and have been funded through grants that are set to expire.

Committee Discussion: The Committee discussed the presentation inquiring about the total procurement responsibilities for each city.

Public Comment: No members of the public were present in the conference room or via Zoom.

Committee Action: President Silva made a motion to add details to the presentation related to the procurement responsibilities for each city and present at the next Board meeting for further discussion and direction. Vice President Church seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously: 3-0

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**4. Future Agenda Items – View Ahead Calendar**

(3:06) General Manager/CAO reviewed the view ahead.

CLOSED SESSION

(3:11) President Silva invited public comment on closed session item numbered five.

5. Pursuant to **Government Code Section 54957.6** to provide instruction to General Manager/CAO Patrick Mathews, Asst. GM/Ops Manager Cesar Zuñiga, and General Counsel Roy C. Santos, to negotiate salaries and benefits with SVSWA employees - management and non-management.

PUBLIC COMMENT

(3:12) None

(3:12) President Silva adjourned the meeting into closed session to discuss item numbered five.

(3:36) Alternate Vice President Church left the meeting.

RECONVENE

(4:12) President Silva reconvened the meeting to open session with no reportable actions taken in closed session.

ADJOURNMENT

President Silva adjourned the meeting at 4:12 p.m.

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Erika Trujillo
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Erika J. Trujillo, Clerk of the Board

Signed by:
Liz Silva
APPROVED: _____
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Elizabeth Silva, President