

**MINUTES OF
THE SALINAS VALLEY SOLID WASTE AUTHORITY
BOARD MEETING
AUGUST 18, 2016**

CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL

The following Board Directors were present:

County of Monterey	Fernando Armenta
County of Monterey	Simon Salinas, <i>Vice President</i>
City of Salinas	Tony Barrera
City of Gonzales	Elizabeth Silva
City of Soledad	Richard Perez, <i>Alt. Vice President</i>
City of Greenfield	Avelina Torres
City of King	Robert Cullen

The following Board Directors were absent:

City of Salinas	Jyl Lutes, <i>President</i>
City of Salinas	Gloria De La Rosa

Staff Members Present:

R. Patrick Mathews, General Manager/CAO	Elia Zavala, Clerk of the Board
Susan Warner, Asst. GM/Diversion Manager	Thomas Bruen, General Counsel
Ray Hendricks, Finance Manager	Mandy Brooks, Recycling Coordinator
Cesar Zuñiga, Operations Manager	Estela Gutierrez, Resource Recovery Technician
Rose Gill, HR/Organizational Dev Manager	

MEETING ANNOUNCEMENTS

Vice President Salinas announced the availability of translation services. No member from the public requested the service.

GENERAL MANAGER COMMENTS

(6:02) General Manager/CAO Mathews announced the 40th anniversary of Johnson Canyon Landfill. He referred to two handouts provided, 1) Waste Dive - *Low Chinese demand for recovered materials likely to continue*, and 2) McKinsey&Company – *Sending the right infrastructure message*. He also announced two employee promotions after the retirement of Assistant General Manager Warner – Recycling Coordinator Brooks to Resource Recovery Manager and Contracts and Grants Analyst Jenny Mitchell Recycling Coordinator.

DEPARTMENT MANAGER COMMENTS

Finance Manager Hendricks informed the Board that additional actuarial services are needed for the reporting of Governmental Accounting Standards Board, Statement No. 68 (GASB 68) due to changes in the actuarial provided by CalPERS. He is unsure what this will do to the delivery schedule of the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR), but will keep the board updated if it is to be delayed. Assistant General Manager Warner provided an update on the progress with AECOM, the consultant for the Long Term Facility Needs environmental report.

BOARD DIRECTORS COMMENTS

(6:05) Director Armenta commended the Sun Street facility staff for their great customer service. Directors Silva and Barrera mentioned that they attended the employee communications meeting, as well as President Lutes, and commended the employees' comradeship.

PUBLIC COMMENT

(6:07) None

CONSENT AGENDA (6:07)

1-A. Minutes of June 16, 2016, Regular Meeting

1-B. Minutes of July 13, 2016, Special Meeting

2. May 2016 Claims and Financial Reports

3. June 2016 Claims and Financial Reports

4. June-July 2016 Member and Interagency Activities Report and Upcoming Events

5. Resolution No. 2016-26 Approving the 2016-19 Strategic Plan Goals and July-January 2017 Six-Month Objectives

6. Monterey Bay Community Power Project Update

7. June 2016 Quarterly Tonnage and Diversion Report

8. Report of Award of a Professional Service Agreement to CH2M Hill Engineers, Inc. for an Economic Benefits Analysis Study for all selected Project Scenarios of the Long Term Facility Needs Study in an Amount of \$30,000.00

Public Comment: None

Board Comments: None

Motion: Alternate Vice President Perez made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Director Silva seconded the motion.

Votes: Motion carried 7, 0

Ayes: Armenta, Barrera, Cullen, Perez, Salinas, Silva, Torres

Noes: None

Abstain: None

Absent: De La Rosa, Lutes

PRESENTATION

9. WALLY WASTE-NOT AWARD

(6:09) Recycling Coordinator Brooks commented on the purpose and requirements of the recycling award program. Resource Recovery Technician Gutierrez recognized the awarded organizations and presented them with their \$1,500 award. The following schools/organizations received this year's award:

- Monterey County Office of Education, Alisal Head Start Center
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- Community Action Partnership of San Luis Obispo (CAPSLO), SCDC Early Preschool Center
- Girl Scouts, Alisal Center
- Salinas High School
- Washington Middle School
- Dual Language Academy of Salinas
- Bolsa Knolls Middle School
- Sacred Heart School

Public Comment: Representatives of the various educational organizations addressed the Board and commended the program and thanked Authority staff for their support.

Board Comments: The Board congratulated the organizations.

10. ANNUAL TONNAGE AND DIVERSION REPORT

(6:29) Finance Manager Hendricks presented the fiscal year-end report on waste landfilled and diverted materials, which reflected an increase in both. He highlighted the 5,000 tons of recyclable materials pulled by staff from the materials recovery center, which would have otherwise been landfilled. (6:37) Operations Manager Zuñiga reported an increase in vehicle trips to the Sun Street and Johnson Canyon facilities, as well as a savings of about \$1.4 million, which would have been paid to the previous operator per contract for density compaction. He acknowledged staff's safe driving record. He added that staff was able to assume operations of the Johnson Canyon facility at \$375,391 under the estimated cost.

Public Comment: None

Board Comments: The Board commended staff and encouraged safety incentives. There was a brief discussion on the sale of recyclable materials, from which last year \$340,000 was received.

CONSIDERATION

11. CITIZENS ADVISORY GROUP MEMBERSHIP

(6:51) General Manager/CAO Mathews presented an update on the Group's membership and encouraged remaining vacancies to be filled as the next phase of the environmental studies approach.

Public Comment: None

Board Comments: The Board commended the Group's input and will work with staff to fill the remaining vacancies.

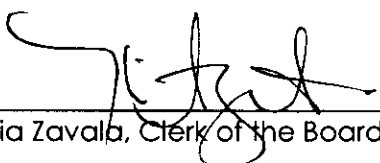
FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

12. AGENDA ITEMS – VIEW AHEAD SCHEDULE

(6:57) The Board reviewed the future agenda items.

ADJOURN

(6:59) Vice President Salinas adjourned the meeting.

Attest: 
Elia Zavala, Clerk of the Board

APPROVED: 
Jyl Lujes, Vice President