

**MINUTES OF MEETING
SALINAS VALLEY SOLID WASTE AUTHORITY
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
January 6, 2016**

CALL TO ORDER

President Silva called the meeting to order at 4:05 p.m.

Committee Members Present

Elizabeth Silva	President
Jyl Lutes	Vice President
Simon Salinas	Alternate Vice President

Staff Members Present

Patrick Mathews, General Manager/CAO	Dave Meza, Authority Engineer
Susan Warner, Asst General Manager/ Diversion Manager	Elia Zavala, Clerk of the Board
Ray Hendricks, Finance Manager	Thomas Bruen, General Counsel (via telephone)
Cesar Zuniga, Operations Manager	

GENERAL MANAGER AND DEPARTMENT MANAGER COMMENTS

(4:05) General Manager/CAO Mathews commented on some budgetary challenges that the Authority will be facing in the near future, such as the substantial increase in health insurance premiums by CalPERS, a proposed legislative increase in State fees (CalRecycle/RWQCB), and an increase in costs to process green waste due to a mass shut-down of biomass plants in California. Operations Manager Zuñiga reported that the landfill operations have held well during the rain. Authority Engineer shared that Fox Business Network aired a show in which ISM's solar technology was showcased and in which Authority General Manager/CAO Mathews speaks about the closure turf and potential future solar power installation at Crazy Horse Landfill.

COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS

(4:19) No comments

PUBLIC COMMENT

(4:19) None

CONSIDERATION ITEMS

1. Minutes of November 4, 2015, Meeting

(4:19)

Public Comment: None

Committee Action: Vice President Lutes made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Alternate Vice President Salinas seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

2. November 2015 Claims and Financial Reports

(4:19) Finance Manager Hendricks provided a report and indicated that available funds will reflect an increase and then a decrease due to the bond payment and transfer in January and February. Some mid-year budget adjustments will be presented in the near future.

Public Comment: None

Committee Discussion: The Committee discussed the report.

Committee Action: Alternate Vice President Salinas made a motion to forward the report to the Board for approval. Vice President Lutes seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

3. Jolon Road and Crazy Horse Transfer Station Operations Options

(4:24) Operations Manager Zuñiga presented options for the operation of the Jolon Road Transfer station after the termination of the contract with Waste Management, as well as the potential for a public convenience station at Crazy Horse Landfill. Options include Authority running the Jolon Road operations, or re-negotiating continued operations with Waste Management.

Public Comment: Doug Kenyon, with Republic Services stated that it is the same amount of trash just moved differently.

Committee Discussion: The Committee discussed the options. Some questioned what the end cost to the rate payers could be and what the impacts could be to the roads leading to the Johnson Canyon Landfill. Staff stated they were waiting to obtain cost information from Waste Management and that further studies would be conducted depending on the direction the Board wished to pursue.

Committee Action: Vice President Lutes made a motion to forward the report to the Board for discussion. Alternate Vice President Salinas seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

4. Agenda Items – View Ahead

(4:37) The Committee reviewed the future agenda items.

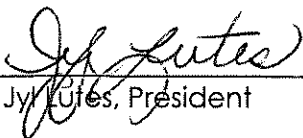
CLOSED SESSION

(4:37) General Manager/CAO Mathews reported that there is no need to enter into closed session. The negotiating parties are exchanging agreements with their respective attorneys and an agreement may be ready for consideration in January or February.

ADJOURNMENT

(4:37) President Silva adjourned the meeting.

ATTEST: 
Elia Zavala, Clerk of the Board

APPROVED: 
Jyl Lutes, President