

SOUTH SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICT

City of Arroyo Grande, City Council Chambers
215 East Branch Street
Arroyo Grande, California 93420

Minutes of the Meeting of Wednesday February 17, 2016
6:00 P.M.

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Present: Chairman John Shoals, City of Grover Beach; Alternate Mary Lucey, Oceano Community Services District; Director Jim Hill, City of Arroyo Grande

District Staff in Attendance: John Clemons, Interim District Administrator/Plant Superintendent; Wendy Stockton, District Legal Counsel; Amy Simpson, District Bookkeeper/Secretary.

2. FLAG SALUTE

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT APPEARING ON THE AGENDA

Chairman Shoals opened the public comment period.

Patty Welsh would like the Benefits package agendized.

Julie Tacker gave comment on having an Alternate serve as Vice Chair of the Board. She has concerns over Barbara Nicolls being an alternate because of her relationship to Bill Nicolls.

Debbie Peterson believes there were two items in the Knudson Report that were redacted but not protected.

Beatrice Spencer spoke to the Knudson report finding that invoices were not being reviewed.

There being no more public comment, Chairman Shoals closed the public comment period.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

4A. Review and Approval of the Minutes of the February 03, 2016 Meeting

4B. Review and Approval of Warrants

Chairman Shoals opened the public comment period.

Julie Tacker and Patty Welsh commented on the legal bills.

Chairman Shoals closed the public comment period.

Motion: Director Hill made a motion to approve the consent agenda.

Second: Alternate Lucey

Action: Approved unanimously by roll call vote.

5. PLANT SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Superintendent Clemons presented the report. He reported that the plant is in good standing. He gave an update on maintenance, in progress, and training happening at the District.

Director Hill commented on the Satellite Plant Study and asked staff if the grant will cover the change of direction the study is taking.

Alternate Lucey has concerns over the FFR and would like an update.

Chairman Shoals opened the public comment period.

Julie Tacker and Beatrice Spencer gave public comment.

Chairman Shoals closed the public comment period.

Action: The Board received and filed the Plant Superintendent's report.

6. BOARD ACTION ON INDIVIDUAL ITEMS:

6A. 218 PUBLIC HEARING FOR RATE INCREASE

Staff recommended that the Board of Directors:

(1) Hold an open public hearing to hear public comment/protests on the proposed increase of charges for wastewater treatment services and facilities

(2) Adopt Ordinance 2016-01, an ordinance of the Board of Directors of the South San Luis Obispo Sanitation District increasing charges for wastewater treatment services and facilities.

Chairman Sholas opened the public comment period.

Frank G. Loversty, Michael Furman, Beatrice Spencer, Julie Tacker, Debbie Peterson, and Patty Welsh gave protest against the increase.

Sharon Brown, Ron Holt and Patricia Price would like to move forward and figure out how to pay for what needs to be done at the plant.

Chairman Shoals closed the public comment period.

Director Hill went through a list of reasons to support the rate increase and pointed out

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that the District can choose not to increase rates if current projects come in under budget.

District Administrator Clemons announced that the District had received a total of 22 protests. A majority protest would have been 6,268 protests.

Legal Counsel Wendy Stockton read into the record page 3 of the Ordinance chart. The first column, March 1st, 2016, will be eliminated and the rate increase will take effect starting July 01, 2016.

Motion: Director Hill made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2016-01 with the date of implementation to be at the beginning of the next budget year.

Second: Chairman Shoals

Action: Approved 2-1 by roll call vote.

Yes: Hill, Shoals

No: Lucey

6B. SELECTION OF DESIGN ENGINEERING FIRM FOR WASTEWATER TREATMENT FACILITY REDUNDANCY PROJECT AND APPROVAL OF CONTRACT

Staff recommended that the Board of Directors issue a Notice of Award to Kennedy/Jenks Consultants, Inc., and authorize the Interim District Administrator to execute the attached contract for design of the WWTF Redundancy Project.

The Board had a discussion and decided not to take action on this item tonight.

Chairman Shoals opened the public comment period.

Patty Welsh, Debbie Peterson and Julie Tacker all gave public comment.

Chairman Shoals closed the public comment period.

Motion: Alternate Lucey made a motion to table Professional Agreement with Kennedy/Jenks Consultants, Inc. until the meeting of March 16, 2016.

Second: Director Hill

Action: Approved unanimously by roll call vote.

6C. CHLORINE CONTROLS SYSTEM REPLACEMENT

Staff recommended that the Board of Directors authorize the Interim District Administrator to execute a contract with CannonCorp Engineering Consultants for the design and installation of a chemical feed control system for the chlorine contact tank at the WWTP.

Chairman opened the public comment period and there being no public comment, Chairman Shoals closed the public comment period.

Motion: Director Hill made a motion to authorize the Interim District Administrator to execute the provided contract with CannonCorp Engineering

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Consultants for the design and installation of a chemical feed control system for the chlorine contact tank at the WWTP.

Second: Alternate Lucey

Action: Approved unanimously by roll call vote.

7. MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

A. Miscellaneous Oral Communications
None to report.

B. Miscellaneous Written Communications
None to report.

Chairman Shoals opened the public comment period.

Julie Tacker believes there were two communications

1. An addendum from Kundson
2. Some correspondence from Oceano.

Chairman Shoals closed the public comment period.

8. VERBAL REPORT BY INTERIM DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR

John Clemons announced that he has posted a short video to the website that shows how the plant operates. This video can be found under Documents on the SSLOCSD.org website.

The March 3rd agenda will have the Board By Law review and a Mid-Year Financial Review.

He also announced that the District is preparing to send out the billing to the residents of Oceano.

March 17 agenda will bring back Item 6B, selection of design Engineering Firm for Redundancy Project and approval of contract with Kennedy/Jenks.

9. PUBLIC COMMENT ON CLOSED SESSION

Julie Tacker gave comment.

10. CLOSED SESSION

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION

[Paragraph (1) of subdivision (d) of Government Code Section 54956.9]; (one case).

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- (1) *South San Luis Obispo County Sanitation District v. State Water Resources Control Board (Superior Court of Sacramento), case number 34-2012-80001209-CU-WM-GDS)*

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL—ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

[Paragraph (2) of subdivision (d) of Government Code Section 54956.9]; (one case).

11. REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

The Board received a status report, provided direction to staff, and had no reportable action.

12. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, Chairman Shoals adjourned the meeting at approximately 9:30p.m.

THESE MINUTES WERE APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AT THE MEETING OF MARCH 02, 2016.