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Action Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Wednesday, March 21, 2018

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Chair Austin called the meeting to order and recognized a quorum.

Present: Linda Austin, Chair, Oceano Community Services District
Jim Hill, Director, City of Arroyo Grande
Barbara Nicolls, Director, City of Grover Beach

District Staff: Paul J. Karp, Technical Consultant
Gilbert Trujillo, District Legal Counsel
Amy Simpson, District Bookkeeper/Secretary

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Austin led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. AGENDA REVIEW

Approved as presented.

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT APPEARING ON AGENDA

Chair Austin opened the Public Comment period.

Julie Tacker commented on the censure of Director Hill, an investigation of Chair Shoals, increasing the Board to five members, civil action against former administrator John Wallace, and District finances.

Coleen Kubel commented on the audit, increasing the Board to five members, and a review of the procedure for placing items on an agenda.

Brad Snook, SurfRider, commented on the brine discharge program.

Ron Arnoldsen commented on legal counsel, administration, and working together as a unified Board.

Kris Victorine commented on expanding the Board and civil action against former administrator John Wallace.

Patty Welsh commented on personnel, a Board member and the John Wallace case.

Patricia Price commented on getting items agendized, the audit, expanding to a five member Board, the Personnel Policy Manual update, lab operations, and filing a civil case against former administrator John Wallace.

Chair Austin closed the Public Comment period.

Director Hill provided his comments on the operation of the lab, brine disposal and the audit.

Chair Austin shared that she had spoken to the County Auditor, Jim Erb.

5. CONSENT AGENDA:

5A. Approval of Warrants

5B. Approval of Minutes of March 07, 2018

5C. Award of Contract for Digester No. 1 Rehabilitation Project

5D. Award of Contract for Digester No. 1 Valve Replacement Project

Chair Austin opened the Public Comment period.

Julie Tacker commented on the minutes and the warrants.

Patty Welsh commented on the minutes.

Kris Victorine commented on the warrants.

Patricia Price commented on the warrants.

Chair Austin closed the Public Comment period.

Director Hill provided his comments on the warrants and temporary labor.

Motion: Director Nicolls made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented.

Second: Chair Austin

Action: Approved 2-1

Yes: Director Nicolls and Chair Austin

No: Director Hill

6. ACTION ITEMS:

6A. TECHNICAL CONSULTANTS AND PLANT OPERATIONS REPORT

Chair Austin opened the Public Comment period.

Julie Tacker commented on brine disposal and the Air Pollution Control District violation.

Ron Arnoldsen commented on recruitments.

Patricia Price requested a copy of the brine disposal policy.

Coleen Kubel commented on Board organization.

Chair Austin closed the Public Comment period.

Director Hill commented on brine sampling and the Air Pollution Control District violation.

Mr. Karp responded to questions when directed to by the Chair.

Action: The Board received and filed the report.

6B. DISCUSSION OF PERSONNEL POLICY MANUAL UPDATES

The Board discussed the Personnel Policy Manual updates, provided comments, and asked staff to correct the grammatical errors.

Chair Austin opened the Public Comment period.

Patty Welsh, Kris Victorine, Ron Arnoldsen and Julie Tacker commented on the Personnel Policy Manual updates.

Chair Austin closed the Public Comment period.

The Personnel Policy Manual will be brought back to the next meeting and discussion will continue beginning with Section 5000 – Unauthorized Voluntary Absences.

7. MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

7A. Written Communications.

Three correspondences were received from Cambria residents in support of the Cambria Sustainable Water Facility (SWF).

8. BOARD MEMBER COMMUNICATIONS

Director Hill commented regarding the cost of the Personnel Policy Manual update, instituting a key policy, temporary labor, the brine disposal program, the audit, cash reports, and civil action against former administrator John Wallace.

Director Nicolls commented on the audit and financial reports.

9. CLOSED SESSION:

PUBLIC EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENT

Title: District Administrator

Chair Austin opened the Public Comment period.

Coleen Kubel and Patricia Price provided comments.

Chair Austin closed the Public Comment period.

Legal Counsel Trujillo announced Closed Session.

The Board went into Closed Session at 7:26 p.m.

The Board returned from Closed Session at 8:00 p.m. District Legal Counsel Trujillo announced that there were no reportable actions.

10. ADJOURN MEETING

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

***THESE MINUTES WERE APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AT THE
REGULAR MEETING OF APRIL 04, 2018.***