

# SOUTH SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICT

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# Action Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Wednesday, March 07, 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: 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.

Kris Victorine commented on the Wallace case.

Julie Tacker commented on the Wallace case, the censure of Director Hill, an investigation of Chair Shoals and increasing the Board to five members.

Shirley Gibson commented on the cost to pursue the Wallace issue again.

Mary Lucey requested a presentation on the 2016 rate increase and commented on the Wallace case and Director Shoals.

Coleen Kubel commented on the Wallace case.

Ron Arnoldsen commented on the Wallace case.

Patricia Price commented on the Wallace case, the recruitment of the District Administrator, training for staff, the resignation of LabTech/Operator, the censure of Director Hill, and Director Hill's request during Board Member Communications at the last meeting.

Chair Austin closed the Public Comment period.

#### 5. CONSENT AGENDA:

# 5A. Approval of Warrants

# 5B. Approval of Minutes of February 21, 2018

Chair Austin opened the Public Comment period.

Julie Tacker commented on the minutes of February 21, 2018.

Chair Austin closed the Public Comment period.

The Board members provided their comments.

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

presented with notation of the questions asked.

**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

District Counsel Trujillo presented the Technical Consultants Report and Interim Superintendent Jones presented the Plant Operations Report. Mr. Jones clarified that the chlorine usage reported at the last meeting was a data entry error and the true number was 250. He let the Board know that a fine has not been assessed for the Notice of Violation and reported that the staff participates in training typically twice a month.

Chair Austin opened the Public Comment period.

Julie Tacker commented on the report.

Chair Austin closed the Public Comment period.

The Board members provided comments on the Technical Consultants and Plant Operations Report.

**Action:** The Board received and filed the report.

# 6B. DISCUSSION OF PERSONNEL POLICY MANUAL UPDATES

Legal Counsel Trujillo introduced this item.

The Board discussed the Personnel Policy Manual updates, provided comments, and asked staff to correct the grammatical errors. Director Hill and Coleen Kubel provided sample Nepotism Policies from other agencies.

Chair Austin opened the Public Comment period.

Coleen Kubel, Julie Tacker, Ron Arnoldsen, Mary Lucey, and Patricia Price 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 4010 – Holidays.

# 7. MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

#### 7A. Written Communications. None.

#### 8. BOARD MEMBER COMMUNICATIONS

Director Hill provided his comments regarding the Technical Consultants, the Fiscal Year 2015-16 audit and the resignation of the Laboratory Tech/Operator.

#### 9. CLOSED SESSION:

#### PUBLIC EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENT

**Title: District Administrator** 

Chair Austin opened the Public Comment period.

Ron Arnoldson, Julie Tacker, Patricia Price, Coleen Kubel and Mary Lucey commented on Closed Session.

Chair Austin closed the Public Comment period.

Legal Counsel Trujillo announced Closed Session.

The Board went into Closed Session at 8:03 p.m.

The Board returned from Closed Session at 9:05 p.m. District Legal Counsel Trujillo announced that there were no reportable actions.

#### 10. ADJOURN MEETING

The meeting was adjourned at 9:05 p.m.