



# SOUTH SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY SANITATION DISTRICT

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## SUMMARY ACTION MINUTES Meeting of Wednesday, December 7, 2022

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### 1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

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

Present: Jeff Lee, Chair, City of Grover Beach  
Caren Ray Russom, Director, City of Arroyo Grande

District Staff: Jeremy Ghent, District Administrator  
Keith Collins, District Legal Counsel  
Mychal Jones, District Superintendent  
Amy Simpson, Bookkeeper/Secretary

### 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

### 3. AGENDA REVIEW

**Action:** Approved as presented.

### 4. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT APPEARING ON AGENDA

There was no public comment.

### 5. CONSENT AGENDA:

**5A. Approval of Warrants**

**5B. Approval of Meeting Minutes of November 2, 2022**

There was no public comment.

**Motion:** Director Ray Russom motioned to approve the Consent Agenda as published.

**Second:** Director Lee

**Action:** Approved unanimously by roll call vote.

## 6. ACTION ITEMS:

### 6A. PRESENTATION AND APPROVAL OF DRAFT FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 2022 FINANCIAL AUDIT

Administrator Ghent presented this item. He asked that the record be corrected to read that a Draft Audit was presented at the meeting of December 7, 2022.

Alex Hom reported that the auditors gave the District an unmodified clean opinion with no findings. The two keynotes in changes for Fiscal Year 2022 were an adjustment for presentation purposes to the County Investment Pool and Net Pension Liability.

The Board had a discussion and requested the Audit be brought back on Consent Agenda with the Internal Controls Report and a statement that Moss Levy has issued an unmodified clean opinion.

Mr. Hom responded that the format of the letter, (Page 1 of the Audit Independent Auditors' Report), has been changed by the Association of International Certified Professional Accountants in layout and the opinion is now located in a lower paragraph. The previous audits have not used the words unmodified clean opinion. The second paragraph of the first page states, and this signifies unmodified clean opinion. *In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the business-type activities, and the major fund of the South San Luis Obispo County Sanitation District, as of June 30, 2022, and the respective changes in financial position and cash flows thereof for the fiscal year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.*

This paragraph alone states that the audit is unmodified. If it had been modified, there would have been additional language after *present fairly*. The words unmodified clean have always been used in the presentation the night of the meeting of the audit report only. He also reported that the Internal Controls Report will be completed when the audit is finalized. MLH is still waiting for a letter from Legal Counsel to be received.

The Board provided direction to staff to state in the Staff Report and Minutes that the District has received an unmodified clean opinion for the Fiscal Year 2022 Audit.

There was no public comment.

### 6B. DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR AND PLANT OPERATIONS REPORT

Superintendent Jones presented the Operations Report and reported during the November 1<sup>st</sup> – November 30<sup>th</sup> reporting period, the District's facility met its Permit limitations as required under the State of California's National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit issued to the District. He corrected the 2022 Permit Exceedances. Corrections are shown in yellow highlight.

**2022 Permit Exceedances**

- **May 19, 2022** – Total Chlorine Residual Instantaneous Maximum  
This exceedance **EXPIRED** November 15, 2022.
- **July 14, 2022** – Daily Maximum Fecal Coliform  
This exceedance is due to expire January 10, **2023**.
- **July 20, 2022** – Daily Maximum Fecal Coliform  
This exceedance is due to expire January 16, **2023**.

Director Ghent presented the District Administrator Report. He reported that the Redundancy project is on track and in budget. Staff has been preparing and participating in startup of the new plant trainings.

There was no public comment.

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

**7. BOARD MEMBER COMMUNICATIONS**

The Board wished everyone Happy Holidays.

Char Lee announced he will no longer be on this Board and thanked staff and the community for the support to move the Redundancy Project forward.

Director Ray Russom thanked Chair Lee for his service on the SSLOCSD Board.

Chair Lee announced that the Central Coast Blue Rural Regional Water Authority (CCBRRWA) is now a joint powers authority between Pismo Beach, Arroyo Grande and Grover Beach for the Central Coast Blue Project.

**8. ADJOURNMENT:**

6:28 p.m.

***THESE MINUTES WERE APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AT THE MEETING OF FEBRUARY 1, 2023.***