

VENTURA REGIONAL SANITATION DISTRICT
Minutes of the regular meeting of April 7, 2011
1001 Partridge Drive, Ventura, California

1. Roll Call (8 present) – Chairman Monahan called the meeting to order at 8:32 a.m.
Dennis Gillette City of Thousand Oaks (Absent)
Robert Gonzales City of Santa Paula
Thomas Holden City of Oxnard
Sue Horgan City of Ojai
Kevin Kildee City of Camarillo
James Monahan City of San Buenaventura
Janna Orkney Special Districts
Jonathan Sharkey City of Port Hueneme
Jamey Brooks City of Fillmore (Alternate)

Executive staff present: Mark Lawler, General Manager; Vickie Dragan, Director of Finance and Administration; Mark Zirbel, Legal Counsel; and Josie Guzmán, Clerk of the Board.

William Murphy, Alternate Director representing the Special Districts Committee, was present in the audience.

2. Pledge of Allegiance – Led by Alternate Director Brooks.
3. Amendments to the Agenda – None.
4. Approval of Minutes – It was moved by Director Horgan, seconded by Director Holden, and duly carried by the Board, with Director Gillette absent and Chair Monahan abstaining, to approve the March 17, 2011 meeting minutes.
5. Public Comments – None.

CONSENT ITEMS – (Item 6 only)

6. Extension of Extra Help Employment Limitation – It was moved by Director Sharkey, seconded by Director Kildee, and duly carried by the Board, with Director Gillette absent, to approve extending the extra help employment limitation for Gabriel Hernandez for the remainder of this fiscal year, up to a maximum of 2,080 hours.

REPORTS (Item 7 only)

7. Biosolids Update Mr. Lawler provided an oral update on the Biosolids facility and microturbines. He reported that he met with representatives from Ingersoll Rand to discuss the siloxane levels in the microturbines and to explore ways to keep the levels under control. He noted that the Biosolids facility was running approximately

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60 tons per day; however, it was still experiencing problems with air emissions. He stated that data concluded that the equipment was undersized and that Fenton Technologies was working on redesigning the equipment. He noted that staff attempted to operate both dryers simultaneously; however, a problem was experienced with the compressor skid. He stated that once the issue is resolved the dryers could increase operations to 100 tons per day.

ACTION ITEMS – (Items 8 through 9)

8. VRSD Contract No. 10-014-1 Amendment, Ecology Control Industries – It was moved by Director Gonzales, seconded by Director Kildee, and duly carried by the Board, with Director Gillette absent, to authorize the Chairman to sign VRSD Contract No. 10-014-1 with Ecology Control Industries for \$140,000 for disposal of leachate/condensate and other services.
9. Initiate Proposition 218 Rate Increase – Malibu Bay Club Onsite Wastewater Treatment System – It was moved by Director Kildee, seconded by Director Horgan, and duly carried by the Board, with Director Gillette absent, to direct staff to initiate the Proposition 218 rate process by notifying the Malibu Bay Club Owners of the proposed sewer service charge.

INFORMATION ITEMS – (Items 10 through 13)

It was moved by Director Sharkey, seconded by Director Holden, and duly carried by the Board, with Director Gillette absent, to receive and file the Information Items.

10. Investment Report – February 2011
11. Revenue & Expense Report – February 2011
12. Violations – Solid Waste none; Water & Wastewater none
13. Future Meetings, Seminars and Conferences
 - Personnel & Finance Committee, April 19, 2011, 9:00 a.m.
 - Board of Directors, April 21, May 5 & 19, 2011, 8:30 a.m.
 - CASA Spring Conference April 27 – 30, 2011, Sacramento
 - CASA 56th Annual Conference August 10 – 13, 2011, San Diego
 - League of California Cities Conference September 21 – 23, 2011, San Francisco

NEW BUSINESS – (Items 14 and 15)

14. Discussion
 - a. Audience – None.

- b. Board – Chairman Monahan reported that he attended the California Association of Sanitation Agencies Conference in Washington, D.C. where he had the opportunity to distribute information regarding the Biosolids facility and to meet with several Congressional aides.
 - c. General Manager – Mr. Lawler noted that he would be on vacation from April 24 through April 29, and from May 9 through May 23.
 - d. Legal Counsel – None.
15. Pending Agenda Items – Future Solid Waste Facilities; and Executive Committee Develop Communication Plan to Educate Legislators on VRSD Business.
16. Closed Session – Mr. Zirbel announced that the Board of Directors would conduct a Closed Session pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6: CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR – Agency Negotiator: Mark Lawler; Employee Organizations: Service Employees International Union, Local 721, International Union of Operating Engineers, Local 501, and Independently Represented Employees.

The Board of Directors recessed to a Closed Session at 9:04 a.m. and reconvened into Open Session at 9:50 a.m.

No reportable action.

17. Adjournment – The meeting was adjourned at 9:50 a.m.

James Monahan, Chairman

Josie Guzmán, Clerk of the Board