

VENTURA REGIONAL SANITATION DISTRICT
Minutes of the regular meeting of October 20, 2011
1001 Partridge Drive, Ventura, California

1. Roll Call (8 present) – Chairman Monahan called the meeting to order at 8:31 a.m.
Dennis Gillette City of Thousand Oaks
Robert Gonzales City of Santa Paula (arrived at 8:32 a.m.)
Thomas Holden City of Oxnard (arrived at 8:34 a.m.)
Sue Horgan City of Ojai (absent)
Kevin Kildee City of Camarillo
James Monahan City of San Buenaventura
Janna Orkney Special Districts
Jonathan Sharkey City of Port Hueneme
Patti Walker City of Fillmore (arrived at 8:32 a.m.)

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 Director Sharkey.

Directors Walker and Gonzales arrived at 8:32 a.m.

4. Approval of Minutes – It was moved by Director Kildee, seconded by Director Sharkey, and duly carried by the Board, with Director Holden and Horgan absent, to approve the October 6, 2011 meeting minutes.
5. Public Comments – None.

CONSENT ITEMS – (Item 6 only)

6. District Investment Policy – It was moved by Director Gillette, seconded by Director Walker, and duly carried by the Board, with Directors Holden and Horgan absent, to reaffirm the existing District Investment Policy.

ACTION ITEMS – (Item 7 and 8)

Director Holden arrived at 8:34 a.m.

7. VRSD Contract No. 11-026 – Malibu Creek Watershed Bacteria TMDL Water Quality Monitoring – Mr. Lawler presented the report. It was moved by Director Gillette, seconded by Director Sharkey, and duly carried by the Board, with Director Horgan absent, to authorize the Chairman to sign VRSD Contract No. 11-026 (water quality monitoring) with Ventura County Watershed Protection District in the amount of \$48,736.

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8. Agreements for Solid Waste Disposal at Toland Road Landfill – Mr. Lawler presented the report.

Director Walker stated for the record that the City of Fillmore was concerned with the truck trips that are occurring with respect to the Crown Disposal contract and the effect it is having on the City of Fillmore with respect to increased truck traffic on Highway 126 between Santa Paula through Fillmore through Piru and into Sun Valley. She also stated that the numerous truck trips were exasperating smog and air quality conditions and she asked that the City of Santa Paula and Crown Disposal reconsider the hauling of solid waste through these communities.

Tim Fry, representing Crown Disposal Co., Inc., addressed the number of truck trips and types of equipment being used in Santa Paula. He noted that Crown Disposal purchased three new front loaders and two new roll offs that are fueled with liquefied natural gas (LNG) and that the long term plan is to replace the diesel fueled equipment purchased from the City of Santa Paula with LNG equipment. He stated that Crown Disposal's intention is to establish a long term relationship with the District.

It was moved by Director Holden, seconded by Director Sharkey, and duly carried by the Board under roll call vote, with Director Horgan absent, to authorize the Chairman to sign Contract No. 11-007 with Crown Disposal Co., Inc.; and authorize the Chairman to sign Contract No. 10-041-1 with Gold Coast Recycling and Transfer Station, Inc. and E.J. Harrison and Sons, Inc.

INFORMATION ITEMS – (Items 9 through 12)

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

9. Disbursements – September 2011
10. Tonnage Report – HAND DELIVERED
11. Violations – Solid Waste none; Water & Wastewater none
12. Future Meetings, Seminars and Conferences
- Personnel & Finance Committee, November 1, 2011, 9:00 a.m.
 - Board of Directors, November 3 & 17, 2011, 8:30 a.m.
 - CASA 2012 Mid-year Conference, January 18 – 20, 2012, Palm Desert
 - New Mayors & Council Academy, January 18 - 20, 2012, Sacramento
 - CASA 2012 Washington D.C. Conference, March 11 – 13, 2012

NEW BUSINESS – (Items 13 and 14)

13. Discussion

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- a. Audience – None.
 - b. Board – Chairman Monahan reported on his attendance at the California Association of Sanitation Agencies Conference August 10 through 13, 2011, in San Diego. Director Orkney shared a newspaper article regarding the Sunshine Canyon Landfill and their hiring a smell patrol who uses a nasal ranger to measure the strength or pungent quotient of odors. Mr. Lawler noted that the Ventura County Air Pollution Control District responds to odor complaints at the Toland Road Landfill. Director Orkney stated that the Triunfo Sanitation District would have an item on their agenda to discuss concern with the depth of staffing with Ventura Regional Sanitation District.
 - c. General Manager – Mr. Lawler noted he would be asking the Facilities Committee to convene a meeting in mid or late November to discuss whether to renegotiate the current office lease, move to another facility, or purchase a facility. Director Gillette asked that any possible reconfiguration and expansion of the Board be taken into consideration when seeking a new facility. Director Holden asked that the possibility of potential use of Board room space with other agencies be taken into consideration. Mr. Lawler noted that he would bring back an item on the next agenda to suspend the execution of a lease agreement with the City of Santa Paula for the vector truck.
 - d. Legal Counsel – None.
14. Pending Agenda Items – Future Solid Waste Facilities; and Executive Committee Develop Communication Plan to Educate Legislators on VRSD Business.
 15. Closed Session – Mr. Zirbel announced that the Board of Directors would recess to a Closed Session pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION. Initiation of litigation pursuant to subdivision (c) of Section 54956.9. One case.

The Board of Directors recessed to a Closed Session at 8:55 a.m. and reconvened into Open Session at 9:28 a.m. No reportable action.
 16. Adjournment – The meeting was adjourned at 9:28 a.m.

James L. Monahan, Chairman

Josie Guzmán, CMC, Clerk of the Board

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