

MINUTES



Draft Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors

January 20, 2023, 9:00 a.m.

Board Members Present :

Chair: Jason Campbell, City of Seaside

Vice Chair: Kim Shirley, City of Del Rey Oaks

Directors: Leo Laska, Pebble Beach Community Services District
Bruce Delgado, City of Marina
Jerry Blackwelder, City of Sand City
Wendy Root Askew, County of Monterey
Bill Peake, City of Pacific Grove
Karen Ferlito, City of Carmel-by-the-Sea

Absent: Kim Barber, City of Monterey

Staff Members Present: Felipe Melchor, General Manager
Rob Wellington, Legal Counsel
Guy Petraborg, Director of Engineering & Compliance
Zoe Shoats, Director of Communications
Helen Rodriguez, Director of Finance & Administration
Berta Torres, Human Resources Manager
David Ramirez, Senior Engineer
Garth Gregson, Accounting Manager
Kristin O'Hara, Communications and Public Education Manager
Ida Gonzales, Executive Assistant/ Board Clerk
Rosemary Perez, Accounting Technician
Erica Espinoza, Accounting Assistant
Ana Quiroz, Administrative Support Specialist II
Fatima Ochoa, Human Resources Assistant

Call to Order at 9:00 a.m.

Welcome New Board Members

The Chair welcomed new Board Member Karen Ferlito to the Board of Directors.

Roll Call & Establishment of Quorum

Pledge of Allegiance

Notice duly given and presence of a quorum established, the January 20 2023 Regular Meeting of the Monterey Regional Waste Management District dba ReGen Monterey Board of Directors was called to order by Chair Campbell at 9:00 a.m.

A moment of silence was held in honor of James "Jay" Martinez Jr.

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Public Communications

Anyone wishing to address the Board on matters not appearing on the agenda may do so now. Please limit comments to a maximum of three (3) minutes. The public may comment on any other matter listed on the agenda at the time the matter is being considered by the Board. For information about submitting public comments in writing in advance of the meeting, please see the Meeting Information section of this agenda.

No public comments on these agenda item.

Consent

These matters include routine financial and administrative actions, which are usually approved by a single majority vote. Individual items may be removed from consent for discussion and action.

- 1. Approve Resolution No. 2023-01, Regarding the Ralph M. Brown Act (California Government Code §§54950- 54963, hereinafter the “Brown Act”) and Assembly Bill 361, Making Certain Findings, Re-Ratifying the Proclamation of a State of Emergency by Governor Newsom on March 4, 2020 and Re-authorizing Remote Teleconference Meetings of the District Board and its Standing Committees (i.e., Finance and Personnel) for the period January 20, 2022 through February 20, 2022. Pursuant to Applicable Brown Act Provisions.**
- 2. Approve Minutes of November 17, 2022, Regular Board Meeting.**
- 3. Approve Report of Disbursements, and Board and Employee Reimbursements for November and December 2022.**
- 4. Received Audit Letter from Eide and Bailey**
- 5. Receive November 2, 2022 Finance Committee Minutes.**
- 6. Approve Resolution (2023-02) of Appreciation for Director Carrie Theis**
- 7. Approve Resolution (2023-03) of Appreciation for Director Dan Albert**
- 8. Approve Resolution (2023-04) of Appreciation for Retired Employee Genaro Jaurrieta. Sorter I**

It was moved by Director Askew, seconded by Director Laska To: Approve the consent agenda items 1-8.

The Motion was passed by the following vote:

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| <i>Director Askew – Yes</i> | <i>Director Delgado – Yes</i> | <i>Director Peake – Yes</i> |
| <i>Director Barber - Absent</i> | <i>Director Ferlito - Yes</i> | <i>Vice Chair Shirley – Yes</i> |
| <i>Director Blackwelder - Yes</i> | <i>Director Laska - Yes</i> | <i>Chair Campbell – Yes</i> |

No public comments on the consent agenda.

Recognition/Presentations

- 9. Presentation of Resolution (2023-02) of Appreciation for Director Carrie Theis**
Chair Campbell and Board recognized Director Theis for her contributions to the District Board and presented her with a Resolution of Appreciation.



10. Presentation of Resolution (2023-03) of Appreciation for Director Dan Albert.

Chair Campbell and the Board recognized Director Albert for his contributions to ReGen Monterey and Presented him with a Resolution of Appreciation.

11. Presentation of Resolution (2023-04) of Appreciation for Retired Employee Genaro Jaurrieta, Sorter I

The Director of Operations and the Board Chair recognized Genaro Jaurrieta for his years of service to ReGen Monterey and wished him well in his retirement.

12. Presentation on BioChar Technology by Sitos Group

Mayo Ryan, Member CEO Founder of Sitos Group LLC. presented on BioChar technology by Sitos Group.

Discussion/Action

13. Approve General Terms for an Agreement Between the Sitos Group and ReGen Monterey for Biochar Technology Pilot Study.

Guy Petraborg, Director of Engineering and Compliance provided a summary on BioChar technology and the terms of the agreement between the Sitos Group and ReGen Monterey for the BioChar Technology Pilot Study.

It was moved by Director Askew seconded by Director Shirley To: Approve General Terms for an Agreement Between the Sitos Group and ReGen Monterey for Biochar Technology Pilot Study.

The Motion was passed by the following vote

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| <i>Director Askew – Yes</i> | <i>Director Delgado – Yes</i> | <i>Director Peake – Yes</i> |
| <i>Director Barber - Absent</i> | <i>Director Ferlito - Yes</i> | <i>Vice Chair Shirley – Yes</i> |
| <i>Director Blackwelder - Yes</i> | <i>Director Laska - Yes</i> | <i>Chair Campbell – Yes</i> |

No public comments on item #13.

14. Declare District assets D6r Bulldozer, Cat 938G Loader and 1998 Chevy 2500 Utility Truck as surplus and authorize the disposition by selling them for scrap, seal bid solicitation or third-party auction.

Jay Ramos Director of Operations presented on the equipment to be declared as surplus.

It was moved by Director Blackwelder, seconded by Director Ferlito To: Declare District assets D6r Bulldozer, Cat 938G Loader and 1998 Chevy 2500 Utility Truck as surplus and authorize the disposition by selling them for scrap, seal bid solicitation or third-party auction.

The Motion was passed by the following vote:

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| <i>Director Askew – Yes</i> | <i>Director Delgado – Yes</i> | <i>Director Peake – Yes</i> |
| <i>Director Barber - Absent</i> | <i>Director Ferlito - Yes</i> | <i>Vice Chair Shirley – Yes</i> |
| <i>Director Blackwelder - Yes</i> | <i>Director Laska - Yes</i> | <i>Chair Campbell – Yes</i> |

No public comments on item #14



15. Authorize the General Manager to approve purchase of the Carlson Landfill Equipment Guidance System from RDO Integrated Controls in the amount of \$357,000 (includes 10% contingency).

David Ramirez, Senior Engineer presented on the Carlson landfill equipment guidance system. The system will provide information about the landfill site elevations, compaction rates and equipment locations on the landfill. The addition of the Guidance System to the landfill equipment will be a significant step forward in the information that can be made available to the Landfill Operators and Management.

It was moved by Director Askew seconded by Director Laska To: Authorize the General Manager to approve purchase of the Carlson Landfill Equipment Guidance System from RDO Integrated Controls in the amount of \$357,000 (includes 10% contingency).

The Motion was passed by the following vote:

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| Director Askew - Yes | Director Delgado -Yes | Director Peake - Yes |
| Director Barber - Absent | Director Ferlito - Yes | Vice Chair Shirley - Yes |
| Director Blackwelder - Yes | Director Laska - Yes | Chair Campbell - Yes |

No public comments on item #15

16. Authorize the General Manager to Execute a Contract with Wood Brothers Inc. of Lemoore, CA for hauling of long-term intermediate cover in the amount not to exceed \$105,000 (includes 10% contingency).

It was moved by Director Askew, seconded by Director Laska To: Authorize the General Manager to Execute a Contract with Wood Brothers Inc. of Lemoore, CA for hauling of long-term intermediate cover in the amount not to exceed \$105,000 (includes 10% contingency).

The Motion was passed by the following vote:

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| Director Askew – Yes | Director Delgado – Yes | Director Peake – Yes |
| Director Barber - Absent | Director Ferlito - Yes | Vice Chair Shirley – Yes |
| Director Blackwelder- Yes | Director Laska -Yes | Chair Campbell – Yes |

No Public Comments on item #16

Staff Reports

17. Review Finance, Operating, and Recycling Reports

Garth Gregson, Finance Manager provided a report on District Finances.

Other Correspondence

Board Communications

18. Committee Appointments

Chair Campbell appointed Director Ferlito and Director Peake to the Finance Committee. Chair Campbell will contact Director Barber about serving on the Personnel Committee. If Director Barber is not available Director Askew will serve.



General Manager Communications

Closed Session

No Public Comments on Closed Session

The Board went into Closed Session at 12:09 p.m.

As permitted by Government Code Section 54956 et seq., the Board may adjourn to a closed session to consider specific matters dealing with litigation, certain personnel matters, real property negotiations or to confer with the ReGen Monterey's Meyers-Milias-Brown Act representative.

1. Conference with Real Property Negotiators:
Property: Acreage leased to Keith Day Company
District Negotiators: Felipe Melchor, Guy Petrabor, Jay Ramos, Helen Rodriguez
Under Negotiation: All terms including permits
2. Conference with Property Negotiators
Property: Landfill Site Space/Capacity
District Negotiators: Felipe Melchor, Guy Petrabor, Jay Ramos, Helen Rodriguez, Garth Gregson and Zoe Shoats
Terms Being Negotiated: Price and Terms of Payment
Negotiating Party: Zanker Road Resource Management Ltd. (Zanker Recycling)

Return to Open Session

The Board came back into open session at 12:30 p.m., and Legal Counsel announced that in the closed session, relative to the one matter of existing litigation, as listed on the agenda, the Board received information about the matter and briefly discussed it; no reportable action was taken.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, the January 20, 2023. Regular Meeting of the Monterey Regional Waste Management District Board of Directors was adjourned by Chair Campbell at 12:31 p.m.

RECORDED BY:



Ida Gonzalez
Executive Assistant/ Board Clerk

AUTHENTICATED BY:



Felipe Melchor
General Manager/Secretary