

MST BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Monterey Bay Unified Air Pollution Control District
24580 Silver Cloud Ct., Monterey

Minutes

November 10, 2014

10:00 a.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER

1-1. Roll call

1-2. Pledge of Allegiance

Chair Downey called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m. Roll Call was taken and board alternate for the City of Carmel-by-the-Sea, Carrie Theis, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present:	Fernando Armenta	County of Monterey
	Carrie Theis	City of Carmel-by-the-Sea (alternate)
	Tony Barrera	City of Salinas
	Kristin Clark	City of Del Rey Oaks
	Alan Cohen	City of Pacific Grove
	Libby Downey	City of Monterey
	Alvin Edwards	City of Seaside
	Randy Hurley	City of Greenfield
	Maria Orozco	City of Gonzales
	Frank O'Connell	City of Marina
	David Pendergrass	City of Sand City
	Patricia Stephens	City of Soledad
Absent:	Terry Hughes	City of King
Staff:	Carl Sedoryk	General Manager/CEO
	Hunter Harvath	Asst. General Manager/Finance & Administration
	Michael Hernandez	Asst. General Manager/COO
	Kelly Halcon	Director of Human Resources & Risk Management
	Mark Eccles	Director of Information Technology
	Robert Weber	Director of Transportation Services
	Tom Hicks	CTSA Manager
	Andrea Williams	General Accounting & Budget Manager
	Zoe Shoats	Marketing Manager
	Deanna Smith	Executive Assistant/Clerk to the Board
	Alex Lorca	De Lay & Laredo
	Miriam Gutierrez	MST Customer Service Representative
Public:	Mary Ann Jackson	MV Transportation, Inc.
	Georgina Bettencourt	MV Transportation, Inc.
	Ken Walker	ATU

Apology is made for any misspelling of a name.

2. CLOSED SESSION

- 2-1. General Manager Performance Evaluation, Gov. Code (§54957(b)). (Enclosure) (K. Halcon)
- 2-2. Conference with property negotiators. (Parcel # APN 259-011-067, 003-171-024, 002-248-009-010, 173-121-015, 032-171-005, L.2.1, 1.2.4.3, L.2.4.2, L.2.2.1, L.2.2.2, L.2.3, L.2.4.1). (No enclosure) (C. Sedoryk)
- 2-3. Workers' Compensation Settlement Authorization. Belinda Butler vs. Monterey-Salinas Transit. (Enclosure) (Kelly Halcon)

Director Armenta requested that Public Comment be placed before Closed Session for future agendas.

3. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

- 3-1. Report on Closed Session and possible action.

No reportable action was taken.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

- 4-1. Review highlights of the agenda.

Mr. Sedoryk reviewed the highlights of the agenda, noting consideration of the General Manager's contract renewal and incentive payment, and the purchase of RIDES buses.

- 4-2. Adopt Resolution 2015-15 recognizing Randy Ascencio, Intermediate Mechanic, as Employee of the Month for November 2014.
- 4-3. Disposal of Property left aboard buses.
- 4-4. Minutes of the regular meeting of October 6, 2014.
- 4-5. Financial Report – September 2014.
- 4-6. Approve job description and 3-year employment agreement for the General Manager/CEO.
- 4-7. Approve General Manager/CEO performance incentive.
- 4-8. Approve Purchase of RIDES Buses.

Director Barrera pulled agenda item 4-8 and thanked Assistant General Manager/COO, Michael Hernandez, for his work ethic and many accomplishments. Chair Downey stated that she agreed with Director Barrera's recognition.

Public Comment – none.

Director Armenta made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda and was seconded by Director Edwards. The motion passed unanimously.

5. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

5-1. November Employee of the Month – Randy Ascencio, Intermediate Mechanic.

Mr. Ascencio was not present for the presentation.

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Marlene Huckelbery stated that America is a consumer-oriented country, and the customer should always be right. She is a low income individual and recently lost her MST bus pass. When she requested a replacement, she was told that MST would not issue a new pass without payment. MST staff will follow up with Ms. Huckelbery.

Olivia Hernandez, a CSUMB student and MST rider, stated that the cuts to Line 17 make it difficult to get to school and back. She stated that many students live off campus and rely on this line.

Virginia from the Transportation Agency for Monterey County introduced herself and announced the upcoming public hearings to discuss unmet transit needs in Monterey County. Flyers were made available to members of the public.

7. COMMITTEE REPORTS

8. MAJOR PROCUREMENTS

9. PUBLIC HEARINGS

10. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

11. NEW BUSINESS

11-1. Receive update on Sales Tax Measure and provide direction.

Mr. Sedoryk congratulated and thanked everyone who supported the Measure Q campaign and specifically thanked MST employees who donated their personal time to getting out the vote. Measure Q passed with a 72.5% approval. Sales tax revenues are projected to be approximately \$6.5 million per year, with quarterly installments beginning April 2015.

The Finance Committee met this morning and discussed recommendations for developing a process for appointing members to a seven-member Citizen Oversight Committee, and developing a 15-year spending plan for Measure Q revenues.

The committee recommended that the board begin developing a process for appointing members to a Citizen Oversight Committee, adopting a 15-year spending plan, and adopting a short range transit plan, with all preparations to begin after official election results have been certified.

Director Edwards asked if Line 17 could benefit from Measure Q sales tax revenue. Mr. Sedoryk stated that Line 17 is funded directly by CSUMB and that sales tax revenue must be used to support services for seniors, veterans, and people with disabilities.

Director Barrera requested that MST staff contact CSUMB directly regarding Line 17 and follow up with Olivia Hernandez. He would like a report back on CSUMB's response.

Public Comment – none.

Director Orozco made a motion to approve the Finance Committee's recommendations and was seconded by Director Hurley. The motion passed unanimously.

12. REPORTS & INFORMATION ITEMS

12-1. General Manager/CEO Report – September 2014.

12-2. Washington D. C. Lobbyist Report – October 2014.

12-3. State Legislative Advocacy Update – October 2014. (

12-4. TAMC Highlights – October 2014.

12-5. Staff Trip Reports.

12-6. Correspondence.

12-7. Staff Announcements.

Public Comment – none.

13. COMMENTS BY BOARD MEMBERS

13-1. Reports on meetings attended by board members at MST expense (AB1234).

Libby Downey provided a verbal report on her attendance at the APTA Annual Meeting and the Rural Public and Intercity Bus Transportation Conference. She was impressed with the National Geographic keynote speaker, Andrew Evans, who rode public transit from Washington to Antarctica in 2009. She also attended a session on public sector ethics, and advised board members to pay for their own food and alcohol when dining with vendors and lobbyists.

Tony Barrera provided a verbal report on his attendance at the APTA Annual Meeting, noting that vandalism of bus shelters is a problem that all transit agencies face. He stated that it was recommended by the APTA Legislative Committee that board members and transit agency staff attend meetings with their legislators on Capitol Hill.

Pat Stephens provided a written report on her attendance at the APTA Annual Meeting. The report will be added to the online agenda. She thanked Kelly Halcon, Carl Sedoryk, and Hunter Harvath for guiding her through all of the activities at the conference.

13-2. Board member Comments and Announcements.

Director Edwards thanked the board and staff of MST, stating that this meeting may be his last depending on the final outcome of recent elections. Chair Downey thanked Director Edwards for his contribution during his time on the MST board.

Director Cohen thanked the board for their common sense approach on most issues. He will miss serving on the board and has appreciated the opportunity.

Director Hurley will no longer represent the City of Greenfield on the MST Board.

Director Armenta congratulated MST for hosting the recent Rural Public and Intercity Bus Conference and is looking forward to the upcoming California Transit Association's meeting in Monterey.

Mr. Sedoryk introduced Mary Ann Jackson, the new General Manager of MV Transportation, Inc., and thanked Georgina Bettencourt for her interim support. He announced that MST's new electric trolley was outside and all board members who wished to take a ride may do so directly after the meeting. At this time, members of the public may not ride the trolley.

13-3. Board member Referrals for future agendas.

14. ATTACHMENTS

14-1. Detailed monthly Performance Statistics and Disbursement Journal, September 2014.

Attachments can be found online within the GM Report at:
<http://www.mst.org/about-mst/board-of-directors/board-meetings/>

15. ADJOURN

There being no further business, Chair Downey adjourned the meeting at 11:29 a.m.

Prepared by:



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