MST BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Monterey Bay Unified Air Pollution Control District
Board Room, 3rd Floor
24580 Silver Cloud Ct., Monterey

Minutes
March 7, 2016

1. CALL TO ORDER

1-1. Roll Call.

1-2. Pledge of Allegiance.

In the absence of Chair Downey, Vice Chair Barrera called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m. and roll call was taken. The pledge of allegiance followed.

1-3. Review Highlights of the agenda.

Mr. Sedoryk reviewed the highlights of the agenda.

Present:
- Fernando Armenta  County of Monterey
- Tony Barrera      City of Salinas
- Victoria Beach    City of Carmel-by-the-Sea
- Robert Bonincontri City of Gonzales
- Kristin Clark     City of Del Rey Oaks
- Ken Cuneo (Alternate) City of Pacific Grove
- Mike LeBarre      City of King
- Frank O’Connell   City of Marina
- David Pacheco     City of Seaside
- David Pendergrass City of Sand City
- Patricia Stephens City of Soledad

Absent:
- Leah Santibañez  City of Greenfield
- Libby Downey     City of Monterey
- Dan Miller       City of Pacific Grove

Staff:
- Carl Sedoryk     General Manager/CEO
- Hunter Harvath   Asst. GM/Finance & Administration
- Michael Hernandez Asst. GM/COO
- Kelly Halcon     Director of HR & Risk Management
- Lisa Rheinheimer Director of Planning and Development
- Andrea Williams  General Accounting & Budget Manager
- Mark Eccles      Director of Information Technology
- Robert Weber     Director of Transportation Services
- Carl Wulf        Facilities Manager
2. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA

A senior citizen provided comment and requested clarification regarding a sign on the bus relating to ADA compliance fares.

Fritz Conley of Teamsters Local Union No. 890 requested funding assistance for MV Transportation to be placed on a future MST agenda for consideration.

3. CONSENT AGENDA

3-1. Adopt Resolution 2016-19 recognizing Noe Figueroa as Employee of the Month for March 2016.

3-2. Minutes of the regular meeting of February 8, 2016.

3-3. Minutes of the Facilities Committee February 8, 2016.


3-5. Disposal of property left aboard buses.


3-7. Adopt Resolution 2016-21 appointing MST staff to serve as representatives to the CalTIP Board of Directors.

3-8. Award contract to Meyers-Nave to provide legal services for the financing of MST’s proposed South County facility through the United States Department of Agriculture’s Rural Development program.

No public comment.

Director Clark made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda, which was seconded by Director Barrera. The motion was passed unanimously.
4. RECOGNITION AND SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS
   4-1. March Employee of the Month – Noe Figueroa.

5. PUBLIC HEARINGS
   5-1. Conduct public hearing and adopt MST’s Section 5307 Program of Projects.

   Grants Analyst Michelle Overmeyer noted that board adoption is required to receive this annual federal funding, which provides operational and planning expenses for MST’s fixed-route program totaling $7,090,800.

   Vice Chair Barrera opened the public hearing.

   No public comment.

   Vice Chair Barrera closed the public hearing.

   Director Armenta noted that projects and amounts should have been included in the memo. Counsel Quinn and staff noted that the required legal advertising was sufficient but staff will include more details with future reports.

   **Director LeBarre made a motion to adopt MST’s Section 5307 Program of Projects to receive $7,090,800 in federal funding for FY16 fixed-route operations and planning expenses. This motion was seconded by Director Clark and passed unanimously.**

6. ACTION ITEMS
   6-1. Authorize remodel expenses for 19 Upper Ragsdale offices.

   No public comment.

   **Director Pendergrass made a motion to authorize remodel expenses for 19 Upper Ragsdale offices not to exceed $440,000, which was seconded by Director Clark. The motion was passed unanimously.**

   No public comment

   6-2. Consider request from the Transportation Agency of Monterey County to declare a Congestion Emergency due to the upcoming Holman Highway 68 Roundabout construction project.

   Hunter Harvath discussed this eight-stage project, which will likely have severe impacts on Monterey businesses, their employees, residents and visitors. A $13 discount pass would encourage individuals to take alternative transportation during this time and consider taking the bus after the project is completed, which is scheduled for...
April 2017. In addition, Monterey Peninsula College will provide a Park and Ride lot with MST providing free trolley services to downtown Monterey.

Ariana Green of Transportation Agency of Monterey County (TAMC) made the request to the board and provided project details, noting that TAMC has a public outreach program.

Director LeBarre stated that this is an opportunity to increase ridership and gather new data. He suggested creating literature for these new riders detailing the benefit of bus commuting.

Director Clark suggested increasing wireless device services during this time.

Director Pendergrass expressed concern regarding congestion on Highway 1 and suggested that employers should provide flex time to mitigate this.

Director Stephens suggested expanding the educational component and to inform the public about the Park and Ride at the MPC lot.

Hunter Harvath noted that this will be a dynamic effort and staff will be responding to market needs as they arise.

No public comment.

Director LeBarre made a motion to declare a Congestion Emergency due to the upcoming Holman Highway 68 Roundabout construction project and authorize the sale of a $13 per month Temporary Congestion Relief Pass for residents and workers in impacted areas. Director Clark seconded the motion, which was passed unanimously.

7. REPORTS & INFORMATION ITEMS
   7-4. Staff Trip Reports.
   7-5. Correspondence.

8. CLOSED SESSION

No public comment.

General Counsel Heidi Quinn announced the items for discussion, and Vice-Chair Barrera moved to Closed Session.
8-1. Conference with Labor Negotiators, Gov. Code §54957.6 – Amalgamated Transit Union (ATU), Local 1225, and MST.


9. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

9-1. Report on Closed Session and possible action.

General Counsel reported that items 8-1, 8-2 and 8-3 were discussed and no reportable action was taken.

No public comment.

10. BOARD REPORTS, COMMENTS, AND REFERRALS

10-1. Reports on meetings attended by board members at MST expense (AB 1234).

10-2. Board member comments and announcements.

Director LeBarre requested that staff provide advance notice regarding youth bus pass distribution.

a. Transit Board Members & Board Support Seminar
   April 30 - May 3 Hilton Palacio del Rio | San Antonio, TX.

10-3. Board member referrals for future agendas.

Board members and staff agreed to place Teamsters Local Union No. 890’s funding request on the agenda for discussion at the board meeting of April 11, 2016.

11. ATTACHMENTS

11-1. The detailed monthly Performance Statistics and Disbursement Journal for January 2016 can be viewed online within the GM Report at http://mst.org/about-mst/board-of-directors/board-meetings/

12. ADJOURN

There being no further business, Vice Chair Barrera adjourned the meeting at 11:39 a.m.