

*Salton Community Services District*  
**REGULAR MEETING *Minutes***  
**May 21, 2025**  
**Closed Session 1:00 p.m.**  
**Open Session 2:00 p.m.**  
**1209 Van Buren Ave.**  
**Salton City, CA 92275**  
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**BOARD OF DIRECTORS:**

Michael Friese, President  
Oscar Ramirez, Vice President  
Manuel Ramos, Director  
Lidia A. Sierra, Director  
David Reagle, Director

**STAFF:**

Emmanuel Ramos, General Manager  
Thania Garcia, Board Secretary  
Christina Sutton, Finance Officer  
Jazmine Madrigal, Admin Assistant  
Omar Ruiz, Field Forman  
Pascual Muniz, Park Supervisor  
Robert Patterson, Legal Counsel

**1. CALL TO ORDER: 2:00 p.m.**

**2. ROLL CALL:**

**Michael Friese Present**  
**Oscar Ramirez Present**  
**Manuel Ramos Present**

**Lidia Sierra Present**  
**David Reagle Present**

**3. PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

Pursuant to California Government Code Section 54954.3, the public has the right to address the board regarding any closed session items listed on the **closed session agenda** prior to the board adjourning into closed session. Anyone who wishes to address the Board, please come to the microphone. Public comments are limited to (3) minutes for each person. Comments are not to be directed towards an individual or individuals but to the Board on a specific issue.

**4. CLOSED SESSION ITEMS:**

**NO CLOSE SESSION**

**5. OPEN SESSION: 2:00 pm**

**6. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Michael Friese, President**

**7. ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLOSED SESSION ACTIONS:**

**No closed session announcements**

**8. PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

Pursuant to California Government Code Section 54954.3, members of the public may address the Board at this time regarding any items of public interest that are within the Board's subject matter jurisdiction. The Ralph M. Brown Act, however, prohibits the Board from taking action on any matter not appearing on the agenda. Those who wish to address the Board should come to the microphone. Members of the public will be given three (3) minutes to address the board on any items of public interest. Comments are not to be directed towards an individual or individuals but to the Board on a specific issue.

**Kimberly White- Asked if the CC&Rs will be placed back on the Service Area Plan. Brought up events that happened in the last meeting, and that no one should feel attacked when coming to these meetings.**

**Robert Patterson: Tyler Salcido of Imperial LAFCo has acknowledged in writing that SCSD currently has the authority to enforce CC&Rs. Mr. Patterson then invited President Friese to expand on this.**

**President Friese: Special Districts have latent powers that may be activated by LAFCo. SCSD latent powers have been activated by LAFCo for such things as wastewater, solid waste, and recreation. In the case of CC&Rs, the California Legislature has explicitly granted the Salton Community Services District the power to enforce CC&Rs. [Cal. Gov. Code 61105(a) and 61105(e)] SCSD has promised LAFCo that the power to enforce CC&Rs will be mentioned in the next revision of the SAP.**

**9. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS:**

**President Friese- Responding to Dir. Sierra's concern that her district email account had been disabled: It has been confirmed that the email outage affected all individuals with salton.ca.gov email. The restoration project in Desert Shores is designed to enhance recreational opportunities by replenishing the channels with water. Additionally, there is an upcoming solar power project, Wildcat Energy Farm, planned for the outskirts of Salton City, with construction set to commence in 2026.**

**Vice President Ramirez- No comment.**

**Director Ramos- No comment.**

**Director Sierra- In response to Mrs. White's comments during the last meeting, expressed her intention to address the inaccuracies presented in the local news article. She mentioned that she had experienced some challenges in communicating, as she was unable to send emails, but remains willing to clarify her role and contributions to the district. Also acknowledged that her tone may sometimes be perceived as strong, and she apologized if it has come across as offensive or hurtful in any way.**

**Director Reagle- No comment.**

**10. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS:**

Consent calendar items are expected to be routine and non-controversial, to be acted upon by the board of directors at one time without discussion. If any board member requests that an item be removed from the consent calendar, it will be removed so that it may be acted upon separately.

- A. Approve the Minutes for the Regular Meeting of April 16, 2025.

**President Friese motioned to approve consent calendar item A with the correction of Stewart to steward and correction on misspelled names, Nancy and Roni.**

**Roll Call:**

**President Friese Yes**

**Director Sierra Abstain**

**Vice President Ramirez Yes**

**Director Reagle Yes**

**Director Ramos Yes**

**Motion Passes 4- 1 Abstain**

- B. Approve demands for the month of April 2025.

**President Friese motioned to approve the consent calendar item B. Director Ramos seconded the motion.**

**Roll Call:**

**President Friese Yes**

**Director Sierra Yes**

**Vice President Ramirez Yes**

**Director Reagle Yes**

**Director Ramos Yes**

**Motion Passes 5-0**

- C. Slovak, Baron, Empey, Murphy, & Pinkney April (\$9,740.60)

**President Friese motioned to approve the consent calendar item C. Director Ramos seconded the motion.**

**Roll Call:**

**President Friese Yes**

**Director Sierra No**

**Vice President Ramirez No**

**Director Reagle Yes**

**Director Ramos Yes**

**Motion Passes 3-2**

**11. REPORTS:**

- A. Field Foreman's report [Omar Ruiz]
- B. Park Supervisor's report [Pascual Muniz]
- C. General Manager's report [Emmanuel Ramos]
- D. Finance Officer's report [Christina Sutton]

**12. MEMBERS OF THE BOARD REPORTS: STANDING COMMITTEE:**

Architectural Committee Report [Israel Gonzales]

**13. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**14. NEW BUSINESS:**

**A. RESOLUTION 2025-05-21-01 OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SALTON COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT APPROVING THE 2025-2026 PARCEL FEES ON LAND LOCATED IN THE DISTRICT TO PROVIDE FOR THE COLLECTION OF SOLID WASTE GENERATED FROM RESIDENTIAL USE OF SUCH PARCELS AND OPT-OUT PROGRAM FOR THE DISTRICT AND ITS CONSTITUENTS.**

**President Friese motioned to approve Resolution No. 2025-05-21-01. Vice President Ramirez seconded the motion.**

**Roll Call:**

**President Friese Yes**

**Director Sierra Yes**

**Vice President Ramirez Yes**

**Director Reagle Yes**

**Director Ramos Yes**

**Motion Passes 5-0**

**B. RESOLUTION 2025-05-21-02 OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SALTON COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT APPOINTING AUTHORIZED SIGNATORIES FOR PACIFIC PREMIER.**

**President Friese motioned to approve Resolution No. 2025-05-21-02. Director Ramos seconded the motion.**

**Roll Call:**

**President Friese Yes**

**Director Sierra No**

**Vice President Ramirez Yes**

**Director Reagle Yes**

**Director Ramos Yes**

**Motion Passes 5-0**

**15. Adjournment**

**Adjourned meeting at 2:49 pm**



**Sonia Thania Garcia, Secretary of the Board**



**Michael Friese, President of the Board**

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