

SALTON COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT

Regular Board Meeting *Minutes*

February 15, 2023

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:

Michelle Gilmore, President
Michael Friese, Vice President
Manuel Ramos, Director
Lidia A. Sierra, Director
Dale Johnson, Director

STAFF:

Emmanuel Ramos, Interim General Manager
Thania Garcia, Board Secretary

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

2. ROLL CALL:

Michelle Gilmore Present	Lidia A. Sierra Present
Michael Friese Present	Dale Johnson Present
Manuel Ramos 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 each person.

No Public Comments

4. CLOSED SESSION ITEMS:

A. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL—ANTICIPATED LITIGATION - Initiation of litigation pursuant to paragraph (4) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9: (One (1) potential cases)

B. PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT/APPOINTMENT Title: General Manager

5. OPEN SESSION: 2:00 p.m

6. ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLOSED SESSION ACTIONS:

A. 1 Potential Case no Reportable Action

B. Board elected to place additional advertisement for the General Manger and appointed Mr. Friese to work on an advertisement and give a budget of \$500.00. I will communicate to staff about advertisement the General Manager position more broadly.

7. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Michelle Gilmore, President

8. PRESENTATIONS/ PUBLIC APPEARANCES:

No Presentation

9. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Pursuant to California Government Code Section 54954.3 members of the public may address the Board at this time on 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.

No Public Comments

10. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS:

No Comment

11. 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 January 2023.
- B. Approve demands for the month of January 2023.
- C. RESOLUTION NO. 2023-02-15-01 OF THE BOARD OF THE DIRECTORS OF THE SALTON COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT APPOINTING SIGNATORIES FOR PACIFIC PREMIRE.
- D. Approval of Slovak Baron Empey Murphy & Pinkney LLP, Attorney at Law. Demand in the amount of **(\$3,398.00)** for January.
Director Johnson motion to approve consent calendar items.
Director Ramos second the motion.

ROLL CALL:

President Gilmore Yes

Director Johnson Yes

Vice President Friese Yes

Director Sierra Yes

Director Ramos Yes

Motion Passes 5-0

12. REPORTS:

- A. Interim General Manager's report
We will be having a Workshop February 25 we contacted Lyn Grubber to send notices out which will help us with the community so they can understand the Prop 218 is all about and the rate increase. In regard to the Desert Shores Park Grant, we have contacted the Hermann Design Group as suggested by Vice President Friese. The Proposal is going to be discussed today. We have a new host at the park his name is William Turnburg we conducted a live scan on him to make sure everything was good with his record.

Director Johnsons concern for the Desert Shores Park and the light usage on the field. Suggested now that we have a Park host maybe we can add some type of light switch.

Right now, we have the light running constantly it will be one of the things we will discuss we have a higher electricity bill. One of the things we will suggest is adding a timer where you can turn it on, and it will be set on a timer where they will shut off automatically. In station 10 on the electrical panel where the meter goes there was an electrical failure, we replaced panel on that station and its back on service. We are currently working with RCAC to draft the public notices for the Prop 218 Hearing.

B. Finance Officer's report

Since January we finally received the large check, we get from Imperial County so that was in the amount of \$1,494,875.69 out of that \$1,088,188.56 Sewer User Fees \$180,870.80 Stand-by and for Sewer Maintenance fee. Interest and Penalties \$11,115.82 and Solid Waste was \$214,643.66. With our contract with Burrtec they receive 95% so we issued them a check \$203,911.48 leaving the district with \$10,732.18 that will be transferred over to the General Funds because Solid-Waste is a General Fund. Expenses for January total \$145,453.52 which is 56,461.61 under budget. I do want to point out that the electrical expense for sewer maintenance increased \$2,352.54 from December because we are having to run our aerators at our ponds because of the cooler weather. In order to keep our BODs, we have to run them more and for longer times. General Fund expenses increased by 537.56 From December and Desert Shores Park electrical expense back in October before the big light were turned on our light bill was \$142.47. in November it increased to 451.58 that is an increase in expense of 309.11 December electric bill for Desert Shores was 451.38 it went down by \$.04. In January it was 493.81 for a total increase over December \$35.43 in that time for January the soccer field was used 4 times December the soccer field was used 2 times and in November a total of 5 times. My recommendation is setting up a timer so that the lights are only on when they are needed to cut down on the light bill. I would like to bring to your attention that on next month's agenda we will have 5 proposals for you for auditing and the Amended Budget will be on there as well.

C. Field Foreman's report

Look at Attached Report

D. Park Supervisor's report

Look at Attached Report

13. MEMBERS OF THE BOARD REPORTS: AD HOC COMMITTEES:

A. Architectural Committee Report

No architectural committee reports

14. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

15. NEW BUSINESS:

A. Appoint a New President of the Board.

Director Johnson motioned to make no change to the President of the Board.
Director Ramos second the motion.

ROLL CALL:

President Gilmore Yes	Director Johnson Yes
Vice President Friese Yes	Director Sierra Yes
Director Ramos Yes	

Motion Passes 5-0

B. Discussion and approval for the event Día del Niño April 30, 2023.

Director Johnson motion to Table the approval for the event Día del Niño April 30, 2023. Director Ramos second the motion.

ROLL CALL:

President Gilmore Yes	Director Johnson Yes
Vice President Friese Yes	Director Sierra Yes
Director Ramos Yes	

Motion Passes 5-0

C. Discussion and approval of the Verde Design Inc. or Hermann Design Group.

Director Johnson motioned to approve Herman Design Group to work on Desert Shores Park Grant. Director Ramos second the motion.

ROLL CALL:

President Gilmore Yes	Director Johnson Yes
Vice President Friese Yes	Director Sierra Yes
Director Ramos Yes	

Motion Passes 5-0

D. Discussion and Approval for \$30,000.00 for Salton City Lansing Pond #4 to be outfitted with electricity for 6 aerators to be compliant with the BODs.

Vice President Friese motioned to Table \$30,000.00 for Salton City Lansing Pond #4 to be outfitted with electricity for 6 aerators to be compliant with the BODs. Director Sierra second the motion.

ROLL CALL:

President Gilmore Yes	Director Johnson Yes
Vice President Friese Yes	Director Sierra Yes
Director Ramos Yes	

Motion Passes 5-0

E. A RESOLUTION NO. 2023-02-15-02 OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SALTON COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT TO RESCHEDULE THE ELECTION OF GOVERNING BOARD MEMBERS FROM ODD YEARS TO EVEN YEARS.

Director Johnson motioned to approve RESOLUTION NO. 2023-02-15-02 OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SALTON COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT TO RESCHEDULE THE ELECTION OF GOVERNING BOARD MEMBERS FROM ODD YEARS TO EVEN YEARS. Director Ramos second the motion.

ROLL CALL:

President Gilmore Yes

Director Johnson Yes

Vice President Friese Yes

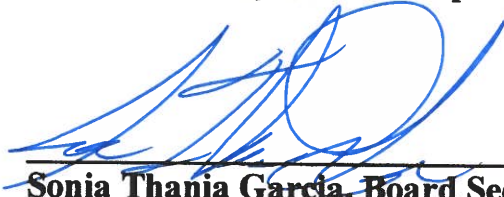
Director Sierra Yes

Director Ramos Yes

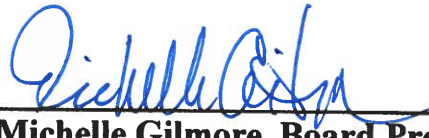
Motion passes 5-0

16. ADJOURNMENT:

Time Adjourned 3:20pm



Sonia Thania Garcia, Board Secretary



Michelle Gilmore, Board President

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