

VENTURA REGIONAL SANITATION DISTRICT
Minutes of the Special Meeting of October 24, 2024
3500 Toland Road, Santa Paula, CA 93060, California

Chairperson Newman called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m.

Chair Newman called for a moment of silence in honor of Director Bob Nast, Special District Representative, who had recently passed away.

1. Roll Call: The Clerk of the Board called the roll. The following Board Members were present:

Carlos Juarez, City of Santa Paula
Bert Perello, City of Oxnard
Martha McQueen-Legohn, City of Port Hueneme
David Newman, City of Thousand Oaks
Kevin Kildee, City of Camarillo
Andrew Whitman, City of Ojai

Absent: Doug Halter, City of Ventura, Christina Villaseñor, City of Fillmore

Staff Present: Chris Theisen, General Manager; Robert Kwong, Legal Counsel, Richard Jones, Director of Operations, Tina Rivera, Director of Finance and Kristin Rupprecht, Acting Clerk of the Board.

2. Pledge of Allegiance: The pledge was led by Director Perello.

3. Agenda Review:

No changes to report.

It was moved by Director Perello, seconded by Director Whitman, to approve the Agenda. ROLL CALL VOTE: Motion carried 5-0-2 (FOR: Halter, Juarez, Perello, McQueen-Legohn, Newman, Kildee, and Whitman.)

4. Public Comment:

None.

REGULAR AGENDA (Item 5)

5. Board Observation and Staff-Guided Tour of Toland Road Landfill, Phase 4C, Liner Expansion Project

Operations Manager Richard Jones showed samples of the layers of landfill liner material and described the installation and welding procedures for these layers. He also described the current status of the liner installation and what the Board is expected to see in the landfill.

The Board Directors and District staff boarded a van and were driven up into the landfill to an observation point overlooking the new liner being installed in Cell 4C.

Mr. Jones explained all of the various construction activities that were taking place as part of the Phase 4C Liner project.

Various questions were asked by Board members about the construction activities and they were answered by Richard Jones or General Manager Chris Theisen. The Board members were also driven to the active face of the landfill to observe the deposition of municipal solid waste at the landfill and how it spread out and covered.

The Board Directors and District staff boarded the van and were driven back to the administrative office building.

It was moved by Director Kildee, seconded by Director Perello, to receive and file the report given during the landfill site visit for Regular Agenda Item 5. ROLL CALL VOTE: Motion carried 5-0-2 (FOR: Halter, Juarez, Perello, McQueen-Legohn, Newman, Kildee, and Whitman.)

ORAL REPORTS (Items 6 and 7)

It is recommended that the Board receive and file the following:

6. Board Member Comments
Board members had questions about types of trash that are allowed at the Toland Road Landfill and General Manager Theisen and Operations Director Jones explained the types of trash accepted and area serviced. There was also discussion of laws and regulations regarding recycling and trash.
7. General Manager Comments
General Manager Theisen mentioned that an Executive Committee meeting was held on October 14, 2024 regarding recruitment on a new General Manager and another meeting is scheduled for October 28, 2024. There will be a report on these meetings at the next Regular Meeting.

ADJOURNMENT: Adjourn at 11:23 a.m. to the next Regular Meeting to be held November 21, 2024, 8:30 a.m. at the Ventura Regional Sanitation District office.

Prepared by:

Approved:

Kristin Rupprecht
Acting Clerk of the Board

David Newman, Chairperson
Ventura Regional Sanitation District