



**Oceano Community Services District**  
**Summary Minutes**  
**Regular Meeting Wednesday, February 14, 2024 – 6:00 P.M.**  
**Location: OCSD BOARD ROOM**

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** Called at approximately 6:00 p.m. by President Varni.
2. **ROLL CALL:** Board members present: President Varni, Vice President Joyce-Suneson, Director Villa, Director Austin, and Director Gibson  
 Staff present: Paavo Ogren, Interim General Manager, Carey Casciola, Business & Accounting Manager; and Robert Schultz, Legal Counsel
3. **FLAG SALUTE:** Led by President Varni
4. **AGENDA REVIEW:** Accepted as presented
5. **CLOSED SESSION REPORT FROM THE SPECIAL MEETING OF FEBRUARY 14, 2024:**
  - A. Conference with Real Property Negotiator (Gov. Code §54956.8) It is the intention of the Board to meet in closed session to have a conference with its Real Property Negotiators concerning the following: Property Descriptions: APN 062-271-023:024; 062-051-021; 022, 062-271-006, 062-271-026, 062-271-001; 003; 027, and 062-261-022; 080. Agency Negotiators: Oceano Community Services District, Paavo Ogren, President Varni, and Director Austin. Parties with whom Negotiating: County of San Luis Obispo. Instructions to County Negotiator: Price, Terms, and Conditions.
  - B. PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT pursuant to Gov. Code Sec. 54957(b)(1) -- Title: General Manager
  - C. PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT pursuant to Gov. Code Sec. 54957(b)(1) -- Title: District Legal Counsel
  - D. Conference with Legal Counsel-Liability Claims (Government Code §54956.9(d)(2),(e)(3))
    1. Claimant: R. Burke Construction; Agency claimed against: OCSD
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  - E. Pursuant to Government Code 54956.9(a): Conference with legal counsel regarding Santa Maria Valley Water Conservation District v. City of Santa Maria, et al.,

No reportable action was taken on items 5 A-E.

6. **PUBLIC COMMENT ON MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA:**

Debra Early	In support of more public outreach regarding the Central Coast Blue (CCB) project and consideration of conflicts of interest.
Victor Early	In support of a public outreach meeting that includes the technical staff regarding the CCB project.
Pamela Storton	In support of public outreach regarding the CCB project. Requested that the OCSD logos be removed from the CCB website.
Daniel Cheung	Requested to add a conflict advisory to the next agenda regarding the CCB project.
Julie Tacker	In opposition to the CCB project and the impacts to Oceano. In support of a public forum and consideration of conflicts of interest.

7. **SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS & REPORTS**

**A. STAFF REPORTS:**

- i. **Sheriff's South Station** – Commander Ian Doughty  
 January 2024 – Oceano Stats  
 353 Calls for service (379 prior year)  
 10 Assault & Battery / 17 Disturbances / 2 Residential Burglaries / 5 Thefts / 1 Vandalism  
 32 AOA (Assist Other Agencies) / 8 Suspicious Circumstances / 73 Enforcement Stops  
 20 Arrests
- ii. **Five Cities Fire Authority** – FCFA Staff – Absent

- iii. **Operations** - Utility Systems Manager - Tony Marraccino  
 Lopez is 100.3% full (49,545 AF) and spilling  
 State water 42 AF / 0 Lopez / 0 pumping  
 13 work orders / 11 USAs / 10 customer service calls / 3 after hours call outs  
 3 Ready311 tickets  
 1 SSO for January at a private lateral and cleanout  
 Continuing with monthly and weekly samples / equipment runs  
 Completed repairs on the chlorine shed and jetter  
 Completed 1<sup>st</sup> of the year dead-end flushing and FOG inspections  
 Power surges due to weather  
 Replaced service line on 17<sup>th</sup> Street  
 Replaced two 4" water meters at the booster station  
 Replaced Air-Vac  
 The new service truck has arrived and is being tooled and prepped for service
- iv. **OCS D Interim General Manager** – Paavo Ogren  
 Presentation on the CSDA Special District Leadership Academy conference  
 Update on General Manager recruitment and District strategic planning  
**District Legal Counsel** – Robert W. Schultz  
 Trip and fall claim against the District – claim rejected  
 Central Coast Blue project - research

**B. BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND OUTSIDE COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

- i. **President Varni** (Regional Water Mgt Group, State Water Subcontractors, Airport Land Use) – None
- ii. **Vice President Joyce-Sunesson** (Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee, Budget & Finance Committee, CA Special District’s Association) – Reported on the 2/13/2024 OPARC meeting.
- iii. **Director Austin** (South San Luis Obispo County Sanitation District, Zone 1/1A) – reported on the 2/7/2024 SSLOCSD Board meeting.
- iv. **Director Gibson** (Zone 3, Regional Water Quality Control Board) – None
- v. **Director Villa** (Water Resource Advisory Committee, Local Agency Formation Commission) – None

**C. PUBLIC COMMENT ON SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS AND REPORTS:**

Julie Tacker	Inquired about the SSLOCSD meeting and the CCB project.
April Dury	In support of the Board, staff, and public civility.

<b>8. CONSENT AGENDA:</b>	<b>ACTION:</b>
a) Review of the Minutes for the Special Meeting held on January 24, 2024 b) Review of the Minutes for the Regular Meeting held on January 24, 2024 c) Review of Cash Disbursements d) Submittal of the District’s Fiscal Year 2023-24 Quarter 2 Investment Report ending December 31, 2023	After an opportunity for public comment and Board and staff discussion, a motion was made by Director Gibson to approve the consent agenda as presented with a second from Director Austin with a 5-0 roll call vote.  Public Comment: April Dury – Asked clarification questions to item 8C. Julie Tacker – Asked clarification questions to item 8C.

<b>9A. BUSINESS ITEMS:</b>	<b>ACTION:</b>
Discussion and consideration of 1) a resolution approving the Budget and Finance Committee By-Laws, including duties, governing policies and procedures, and committee membership, and 2) an ordinance amending Ordinance 2006-01 to provide Committee review of financial appeals.	After an opportunity for public comment, Board and staff discussion Director Austin made a motion to approve the agenda item as presented, with a second from Director Villa with a 5-0 roll call vote.  Public Comment: None

<b>9B. BUSINESS ITEMS:</b>	<b>ACTION:</b>
Discussion and consideration of a resolution to revise the Fiscal Year 2023-24 Plan of Payment and Compensation Salary Schedule for the General Manager position.	After an opportunity for public comment and Board and staff discussion, Vice President Joyce-Suneson made a motion to approve the agenda item as presented, with a second from Director Villa with a 5-0 roll call vote.  Public Comment: Julie Tacker – Provided information regarding LOCSD.

10. **HEARING ITEMS:** None

11. **RECEIVED WRITTEN COMMUNICATION:** None

12. **LATE RECEIVED WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS:** None

13. **FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:** Presentation by SLOCOG at the Regular meeting on March 13, 2024.

14. **FUTURE HEARING ITEMS:** None

15. **CLOSED SESSION:** None

16. **ADJOURNMENT:** Director Austin motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:30p.m. with a second from Director Gibson 5-0 consensus vote.