

**ANTELOPE VALLEY AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT  
GOVERNING BOARD MEETING  
TUESDAY, APRIL 20, 2021  
ANTELOPE VALLEY DISTRICT OFFICE  
LANCASTER, CA**

**Minutes**

Board Members Present:

Marvin Crist, Chair, City of Lancaster  
Austin Bishop, Vice Chair, City of Palmdale  
Newton Chelette, Public Member  
Howard Harris, Los Angeles County  
Ron Hawkins, Los Angeles County  
Steven Hofbauer, City of Palmdale  
Ken Mann, City of Lancaster

Board Members Absent:

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chair **CRIST** called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m. Chair **CRIST** waived the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call was taken.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

❖ No public comment was made in person, telephonically or electronically.

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

**Agenda Item #1 – Approve Minutes from Regular Governing Board Meeting of March 16, 2021.**

Upon Motion by **HAWKINS**, seconded by **HOFBAUER**, and carried unanimously, the Board **Approved** Minutes from Regular Governing Board Meeting of March 16, 2021.

**Agenda Item #2 – Monthly Grant Funding Summary. Receive and file.**

Presenter: Bret Banks, Executive Director/APCO.

Upon Motion by **HAWKINS**, seconded by **HOFBAUER**, and carried unanimously, the Board **Received and Filed** Monthly Grand Funding Summary.

**Agenda Item #3 – Monthly Activity Report. Receive and file.**

Presenter: Bret Banks, Executive Director/APCO.

Upon Motion by **HAWKINS**, seconded by **HOFBAUER**, and carried unanimously, the Board **Received and Filed** Monthly Activity Report.

**Agenda Item #4 – Approve payment to MDAQMD in the amount of \$127,355.61 for February 2021.**

Presenter: Bret Banks, Executive Director/APCO.

Upon Motion by **HAWKINS**, seconded by **HOFBAUER**, and carried unanimously, the Board, **Approved** payment to MDAQMD in the amount of \$127,355.61 for February 2021.

**Agenda Item #5 – Receive and file the Financial Report. This Preliminary Financial Report is provided to the Governing Board for information concerning the fiscal status of the District at February 28, 2021.**

Presenter: Bret Banks, Executive Director/APCO.

Upon Motion by HAWKINS, seconded by HOFBAUER, and carried unanimously, the Board, **Received and filed** the Financial Report. This Preliminary Financial Report is provided to the Governing Board for information concerning the fiscal status of the District at February 28, 2021.

**Agenda Item #6 – 1) Allocate an amount not to exceed \$75,227 of Mobile Source Emission Reduction Program funds AB 2766 and AB 923 for the implementation of the District’s Lawn and Garden Equipment Exchange Program; and 2) Authorize the Executive Director/ APCO and staff to negotiate target time frames and technical project details and execute agreements, approved as to legal form by the Office of District Counsel.**

Presenter: Julie McKeehan, Grants Analyst.

Upon Motion by HAWKINS, seconded by HOFBAUER, and carried unanimously, the Board, 1) **Allocated** an amount not to exceed \$75,227 of Mobile Source Emission Reduction Program funds AB 2766 and AB 923 for the implementation of the District’s Lawn and Garden Equipment Exchange Program; and 2) **Authorized** the Executive Director/ APCO and staff to negotiate target time frames and technical project details and execute agreements, approved as to legal form by the Office of District Counsel.

**Agenda Item #7 – 1) Approve the FY 19-20 Community Air Protection Program Implementation Funds and amended Grant Agreement with the California Air Resources Board (CARB) for expenses necessary for the implementation of Assembly Bill 617 (C. Garcia, Chapter 136, Statutes of 2017); 2) Authorize the acceptance of funds allocated and awarded to the District; and the Executive Director/APCO and staff to execute the agreement, approved as to legal form.**

Presenter: Julie McKeehan, Grants Analyst.

Upon Motion by HAWKINS, seconded by HOFBAUER, and carried unanimously, the Board, 1) **Approved** the FY 19-20 Community Air Protection Program Implementation Funds and amended Grant Agreement with the California Air Resources Board (CARB) for expenses necessary for the implementation of Assembly Bill 617 (C. Garcia, Chapter 136, Statutes of 2017); 2) **Authorized** the acceptance of funds allocated and awarded to the District; and the Executive Director/APCO and staff to execute the agreement, approved as to legal form.

**ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION**

**DEFERRED ITEMS**

None.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Agenda Item #8 – 1) Award an amount not to exceed \$22,206 of Carl Moyer Program funds to Gorrindo Ranch & Cattle Company LLC for the replacement of an older heavy-duty diesel equipment with new, cleaner technology; and 2) Authorize the Executive Director/APCO and staff to negotiate target time frames and technical project details, and execute an agreement, approved as to legal form by the Office of District Counsel.**

Presenter: Julie McKeehan, Grants Analyst.

Julie McKeehan, Grants Analyst, presented the background information and answered questions from the Board. After discussion and upon motion by HOFBAUER, seconded by HARRIS, and carried unanimously, the Board, 1) **Awarded** an amount not to exceed \$22,206 of Carl Moyer Program funds to Gorrindo Ranch & Cattle Company LLC for the replacement of an older heavy-duty diesel equipment with new, cleaner

technology; and 2) **Authorized** the Executive Director/APCO and staff to negotiate target time frames and technical project details, and execute an agreement, approved as to legal form by the Office of District Counsel.

**Agenda Item #9 – 1) Award an amount not to exceed \$122,953 of Carl Moyer Program funds to McLain’s Backhoe Rental for the replacement of an older heavy-duty diesel equipment with new, cleaner technology; and 2) Authorize the Executive Director/APCO and staff to negotiate target time frames and technical project details, and execute an agreement, approved as to legal form by the Office of District Counsel.**

Presenter: Julie McKeehan, Grants Analyst.

Julie McKeehan, Grants Analyst, presented the background information and answered questions from the Board. After discussion and upon motion by **BISHOP**, seconded by **MANN**, and carried unanimously, the Board, 1) **Awarded** an amount not to exceed \$122,953 of Carl Moyer Program funds to McLain’s Backhoe Rental for the replacement of an older heavy-duty diesel equipment with new, cleaner technology; and 2) **Authorized** the Executive Director/APCO and staff to negotiate target time frames and technical project details, and execute an agreement, approved as to legal form by the Office of District Counsel.

**Agenda Item #10 – Reports.**

**Governing Board Counsel –**

- No report.

**Executive Director/APCO –**

- Informed the Board that the proposed budget will be presented at May’s Governing Board meeting.
- Informed the Board that an environmental consulting firm will be presenting a proposed project to the Board at May’s Governing Board meeting regarding the installation of air monitors/sensors on AVTA buses to obtain more comprehensive data on the Antelope Valley’s background air quality.
- Update on the Lawn & Garden equipment program.
- Introduced Brad Poiriez, Executive Director/APCO Mojave Desert AQMD that updated the Board regarding the California State budget relating to Carl Moyer and AB 923 funding sources. Chair Crist directed staff to write a letter of support addressed to Assemblyman Tom Lackey and State Senator Scott Wilks

**Staff –**

- No report.

**Agenda Item #11 – Board Member Reports and Suggestions for Future Agenda Items.**

- Chair Crist inquired about supporting Los Angeles County’s request for grant support for the installation of electric charging stations at County libraries and other facilities.
- Board Member Harris inquired about demonstration equipment for commercial grade battery electric lawn & garden equipment testing by local commercial landscape companies.

**Agenda Item #12 – Adjourn to Regular Governing Board Meeting of Tuesday, May 18, 2021.**

Being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:18 a.m. to the next regularly scheduled Governing Board Meeting of Tuesday, May 18, 2021.

**ACTION OF THE GOVERNING BOARD**

**APPROVED**

Upon motion by **RON HAWKINS**, seconded by **KEN MANN**, as approved by the following vote:

**Ayes: 6 BISHOP, CHELETTE, CRIST, HARRIS, HAWKINS, MANN**

**Noes:**

**Absent: 1 HOFBAUER**

**Abstain:**

**DEANNA HERNANDEZ, SENIOR EXECUTIVE ANALYST**

**BY *Deanna Hernandez***

**Dated: May 18, 2021**