# Monterey Bay Air Resources District BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

STEVE MCSHANE, CHAIR

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 18, 2021 - 1:30 P.M. 24580 SILVER CLOUD COURT, 3<sup>RD</sup> FLOOR, MONTEREY, CA, 93940

# **HYBRID (IN-PERSON/VIRTUAL) MEETING**

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# **Summary of Actions**

- 1. CALL TO ORDER The meeting was called to order by Chair McShane at 1:31 p.m.
- 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- 3. **Roll Call: Present:** Chris Lopez, Jack Dilles, John Phillips, Kollin Kosmicki, Mary Ann Carbone, Mike LeBarre, Ryan Coonerty, Sam Storey, Steve McShane, Wendy Root Askew, Zach Friend.
- 4. PUBLIC COMMENT None.
- 5. REPORTS BY COMMITTEE CHAIRS ON COMMITTEE MEETINGS
  - a. Budget, Personnel, and Nominating Committee
  - b. Advisory Committee
- 6. COMMENTS AND REFERRALS FROM CHAIR AND BOARD MEMBERS
- 7. REPORT FROM AIR POLLUTION CONTROL OFFICER

# Richard Stedman, APCO, reported on the following:

#### **Advisory Committee**

- The Advisory Committee (AC) met on August 5<sup>th</sup>. The AC received presentations on Mid-Year 2021 Engineering and Compliance Activities and a Report on MBARD's air quality monitoring data for the first two quarters of 2021.
- One member did express that she thought the AC should be recruiting members that better reflect the diversity of our community. There were also other calls for presentations on what AMBAG is doing for climate change (Sustainable Communities Strategy) and reports on Climate Action Plans from cities and counties in our jurisdiction.
- The APCO will be placing an item on the next AC agenda that more clearly defines the role of the AC.
- MBARD received an Advisory Committee membership request from a student at
  Middlebury College who is working on her master's degree in environmental science.
  Those board members who have not appointed a member yet, or need to appoint one
  more, please let the APCO know if you would like to see her resume and letter of
  interest. Our website lists directors and the AC members that they have appointed.

#### **District Business**

 Introduction - Sirie Thongchua (Tong-jer). Although a native of Monterey Peninsula, Sirie comes to us from the Sonoma County Library where she was a Fund Development Manager. Prior to that position she was with the City of Monterey as a library fund development officer. Sirie has considerable administrative experience that should enable her to be a successful Clerk and Executive Assistant for MBARD.

#### **New Recruitments Underway**

 We are currently recruiting for an Air Quality Engineer and Air Monitoring Specialist openings.

## **Engineering**

- Our Engineering, Compliance, and Accounting staff went live in Accela's Civic Platform database on July 19. This new database replaces our TRAKIT database. Over the past month we have been working through issues as they come up but overall, the new database will serve us better both internally and our customers.
- On August 13, our Engineering team issued an Authority to Construct to the Monterey Regional Waste Management District for their Permanent Hydrogen Sulfide treatment system. This system removes the elevated levels of hydrogen sulfide in the landfill gas before it is combusted reducing oxide of sulfur emissions into the air.
- We have not received any odor complaints from the public in Marina since the last Board meeting. In June, food waste began being temporarily diverted from the compost operation to allow for the construction of stormwater retention ponds. During this time, food waste is delivered to the compost site, covered with a plastic tarp, and hauled offsite within 24-hours. MRWMD has installed over 20 new wells since December 2020 to improve landfill gas collection.
- We recently were awarded a \$200,000 EPA Exchange Network Grant to assist with required EPA reporting and documentation requirements.

## Planning and Air Monitoring

- The Woodstove Change Out Program, which incentivizes the replacement of non-EPA certified woodstoves with cleaner burning alternatives such as natural gas and propane, has received 128 applications, 7 of which are low income. All \$159,000 in project funds has been obligated and a waiting list has been established.
- The Monterey Bay Electric Vehicle Incentive Program, which provides residents with an incentive to purchase new and used all-electric or plug-in electric vehicles, is continuing with 12 applications received, \$15,000 obligated, and \$435,000 remaining.
- The Alisal Union School District in Salinas just received in July an all-electric bus through the District's Zero Emission School Bus Program. This project was funded through a collaboration with Central Coast Community Energy. AB 923, East Garrison Mitigation, and 3CE funds all contributed to the purchase of this electric school bus.

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

**Motion:** Approve items on the Consent Agenda. **Action:** Approve. **Moved by** Chris Lopez, **Seconded by** Sam Storey.

**Vote:** Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote (**summary:** Yes = 11).

**Yes:** Chris Lopez, Jack Dilles, John Phillips, Kollin Kosmicki, Mary Ann Carbone, Mike LeBarre, Ryan Coonerty, Sam Storey, Steve McShane, Wendy Root Askew, Zach Friend.

- 8. Accepted and Filed Summary of Actions for the June 16, 2021, Board of Directors Meeting
- 9. Received and Filed Budget to Actual Report for the Twelve Months Ended June 30, 2021
- 10. Received and Filed Budget to Actual Report for the First Month Ended July 31, 2021
- 11. **Accepted and Filed** Report of Summary of Mutual Settlement Program Actions for June and July 2021
- 12. **RESOLUTION NO. 21-013**: **Adopted** a Resolution Ratifying the Memorandum of Understanding Between the District and the Service Employees International Union Local 521 for the Period July 1, 2021, through June 30, 2026, and Authorizing the Air Pollution Control Officer to Execute the Memorandum
- 13. **RESOLUTION NO. 21-014**: **Adopted** a Resolution Approving Destruction of Records in Accordance with the Records Retention Schedule and Records Destruction Policies D.9 and D.10 in the Administrative Policies and Procedures Manual

#### **REGULAR AGENDA**

- 14. **Received** a Presentation on Mid-Year 2021 Engineering and Compliance Activities **Receive the presentation only. No action required or taken.**
- 15. **Received** a Presentation and Report on Daily Eight-Hour Peak Ozone Concentrations, Hourly Peak Ozone Concentrations, PM<sub>2.5</sub> and PM<sub>10</sub> Air Monitoring Data for the First Two Quarters of 2021 **Receive the presentation only. No action required or taken.**
- 16. **Received** the FY 2021-22 AB2766 Applicant Summary and Staff Recommendations **Receive the presentation only. No action required or taken.**
- 17. Adjournment The meeting was adjourned at 2:36 p.m.

Sirie Thongchua
Executive Assistant