ANTELOPE VALLEY AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

**GOVERNING BOARD MEETING**

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 17, 2017**

**ANTELOPE VALLEY DISTRICT OFFICE**

**LANCASTER, CA**

# MINUTES

Board Members Present:

Marvin Crist, Chair, City of Lancaster

Ron Hawkins, Vice Chair, Los Angeles County

Vern Lawson, Los Angeles County

Newton Chelette, Public Member

Steve Hofbauer, City of Palmdale

Austin Bishop, City of Palmdale

Angela Underwood-Jacobs, City of Lancaster (Alt.)

Board Members Absent:

Ken Mann, City of Lancaster

## CALL TO ORDER

Chair Crist called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m. Board Member Hofbauer led the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call was taken.

(Clerk’s Note: Board Members Steve Hofbauer and Austin Bishop were sworn in prior to the commencement of today’s meeting).

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

**Agenda Item #1**

None.

**CONSENT CALENDAR** – Consent items were acted upon by the Board at one time without discussion. Upon Motion by **HOFBAUER**, Seconded by **HAWKINS**, and carried unanimously, the board acted as follows:

**Agenda Item #2 - Approve Minutes from Regular Governing Board Meeting of**

**December 20, 2016**. Presenter: Crystal Goree.

**Approved** Minutes from Regular Governing Board Meeting of December 20, 2016.

**Agenda Item #3 – Monthly Activity Report. Receive and file**. Presenter: Bret Banks.

**Received and filed**.

**Agenda Item #4 – Monthly Grant Summary. Receive and file**. Presenter: Bret Banks.

**Received and filed.**

**Agenda Item #5 - Award an amount of $1,000.00, available in the Antelope Valley Air Quality Management District (AVAQMD) General Fund, to the Antelope Valley College Foundation to support the Antelope Valley Air Quality Management District Scholarship Endowment**. Presenter: Bret Banks.

Awarded an amount of $1,000.00, available in the Antelope Valley Air Quality Management District (AVAQMD) General Fund, to the Antelope Valley College Foundation to support the Antelope Valley Air Quality Management District Scholarship Endowment.

## ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

**DEFERRED**

None.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

None.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Agenda Item #6 - Change regular meeting time from 10:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.** Presenter: Marvin Crist.

Chair Crist provided background information regarding the initial time change of our

regularly scheduled meeting from 10:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. and requested that the

time be changed back to 10:00 a.m. Upon Motion by **HOFBAUER**, Seconded by

**CHELETTE**, and carried unanimously, the Board changed the regular meeting time

from 10:30 a.m. back to 10:00 a.m. Staff to prepare Minute Item for next month’s

meeting, matching the action to be received and filed.

**PRESENTATION**

**Agenda Item #7 – Reasonable Available Control Technology (RACT) 2017 rule**

**development schedule (AVAQMD Rules: Rule 462, *Organic Liquid Loading*,**

**Rule 1110.2 *Emissions From Stationary, Non-road & Portable Internal Combustion***

***Engines* , Rule 1151 *MotorVehicle And Mobile Equipment Coating Operations* and**

**Rule 1171 *Solvent Cleaning Operations***. Presenter: Bret Banks.

Bret Banks shared PowerPoint presentation on Reasonable Available Control Technology

(RACT) Rule Development Schedule. Mr. Banks provided information on RACT

Analysis, the National Ambient Air Quality Standard (NAAQS) and that the

AVAQMD has been designated nonattainment for ozone. As a result AVAQMD is

required to amend Rules 462, 110.2, 1151.1 and 1171. Mr. Banks answered questions

from the Board. Discussion ensued. Mr. Banks provided background information about

Emission Reduction Credits (ERC) and how they may be important to economic

development in the Antelope Valley.

**Agenda Item #8** - **AVAQMD Control Strategies and Practices for Commercial Photovoltaic Solar Projects**. Presenter: Bret Banks.

Bret Banks shared PowerPoint presentation on AVAQMD Control Strategies and Practices for Commercial Photovoltaic Solar Projects. Mr. Banks provided background information on Rule 403 – Fugitive Dust. Information was provided on the District’s Dust Control Plan and its requirements. Mr. Banks answered questions from the Board. Discussion ensued. Chair Crist raised questions regarding a pending utility scale solar project to be constructed west of Avenue F and 93rd Street West. Mr. Banks provided background information regarding the project as well as the impact of fugitive dust on the downwind residents and various strategies to mitigate the impact.

**Agenda Item #9 - AVAQMD Governing Board Handbook**. Presenter: Bret Banks

Bret Banks provided Board members with a copy of the Directors Handbook 2017.

Mr. Banks reviewed the contents of the handbook, which included the District’s Mission Statement, Governing Board Procedural Rules, Governing Board Roster, List of District Staff, Governing Board Meeting Calendar, District Operational Data and Glossary of Air Pollution Terms. Mr. Banks introduced district staff to new Board members. Mr. Banks answered questions from the Board. Discussion ensued. Board Member Hofbauer raised a question regarding how constituents are informed about available grant funding, to which Mr. Banks provided information. Mr. Banks shared information on the District’s Lawn Mower Exchange Program, the Ozone Monitoring Summary and the Adopted Budget for 2016-17. Mr. Banks provided information on the history of the Antelope Valley Air Quality Management District and its partnership with the Mojave Desert Air Quality Management District and discussed the contractual relationship. Board Member Lawson commented that the AVAQMD is a good model for regional cooperation.

**ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS**

**Agenda Item #10 - Reports**

Governing Board Counsel – Allison Burns reminded Board members to file Form 700 and to complete the AB1234 Ethics Training.

Executive Director/APCO – None.

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

The Board commended staff on a great meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:35 a.m. to the next regularly scheduled Governing Board Meeting, Tuesday, February 21, 2017, 10:00 a.m.