

**ANTELOPE VALLEY AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT  
GOVERNING BOARD MEETING  
TUESDAY, JUNE 19, 2018  
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  
Kenneth Mann, City of Lancaster

Board Members Absent:

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chair **CRIST** called the meeting to order at 10:10 a.m. Board Member **CHELETTE** led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chair **CRIST** moved to the swearing-in of new Board Member **HOWARD HARRIS**. Board Member **HOFBAUER** swore-in new Board Member **HOWARD HARRIS**.

Roll call was taken.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

- Public Comment made by Mr. Bob Murphy regarding Tesla qualification for the Alternate Fuel Vehicle Incentive Program.
- Public Comment made by Mr. Kyle Ginn, Fine Grade Equipment, Inc., regarding consideration a project for the Carl Moyer Program.
- Public Comment made by Ms. Jacqueline Ayer, ARTC, providing an update to the Governing Board on AB 617 Community Clean Air Protection Program.
- Public Comment made by Mr. Morris Fuselier, III, Antelope Valley School Transportation Agency, regarding the agency's plan for acquiring electric school buses.
- Public Comment made by Mr. Jason E. Songer Sr., A-Z Bus and Mr. Matt Essex, Adomani Inc., regarding electric school buses. They also had an electric school bus on site to provide a demonstration and a ride to the Governing Board members.

**CONSENT CALENDAR** – Consent items were acted upon by the Board at one time without discussion.

**Agenda Item #1 - Approve Minutes from Regular Governing Board Meeting of May 15, 2018.**

Upon motion by MANN, seconded by BISHOP, and unanimously approved, the Board **Approved** Minutes from Regular Governing Board Meeting of May 15, 2018.

**Agenda Item #2 – Monthly Activity Report. Receive and file.** Presenter: Bret Banks.  
Upon motion by MANN, seconded by BISHOP, and unanimously approved, the Board **Received and Filed** the Monthly Activity Report.

**Agenda Item #3 – Monthly Grant Fund Summary. Receive and file.**

Presenter: Bret Banks.

Upon motion by MANN, seconded by BISHOP, and unanimously approved, the Board **Received and Filed** the Monthly Grant Fund Summary.

**Agenda Item #4 - Reappoint Newton Chelette as the Public Member on the Governing Board of the Antelope Valley Air Quality Management District (AVAQMD).**

Presenter: Bret Banks.

Upon motion by MANN, seconded by BISHOP, and unanimously approved, the Board **Reappointed** Newton Chelette as the Public Member on the Governing Board of the Antelope Valley Air Quality Management District (AVAQMD).

**Agenda Item #5 - Amend Governing Board Policy 07-01 – Financial Reserves.**

Presenter: Bret Banks.

Upon motion by MANN, seconded by BISHOP, and unanimously approved, the Board **Amended** Governing Board Policy 07-01 – Financial Reserves.

**Agenda Item #6 - Approve payment to MDAQMD in the total amount of \$96,362.58, subject to availability of funds, for services provided during the month of April 2018.**

Presenter: Bret Banks.

Upon motion by MANN, seconded by BISHOP, and unanimously approved, the Board **Approved** payment to MDAQMD in the total amount of \$96,362.58, subject to availability of funds, for services provided during the month of April 2018.

## **ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION**

### **DEFERRED**

None.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

**Agenda Item #7 - Conduct a Continued Public Hearing to receive comments and staff presentation for the proposed AVAQMD Budget for FY 2018-19: a. Open public hearing; b. Receive staff report; c. Receive public testimony; d. Close public hearing; e. Adopt a resolution approving and adopting the budget for FY 2018-19.**

Presenter: Bret Banks.

Chair CRIST opened the public hearing. Executive Director/APCO Bret Banks presented background information and answered questions from the Board. After discussion, Chair CRIST solicited public comment, being none; Chair CRIST closed the public hearing. Upon motion by CHELETTE, seconded by BISHOP, and unanimously approved, the Board **adopted**

**Resolution 18-01, titled, “A RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE ANTELOPE VALLEY AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE PROPOSED OPERATING BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2018-19.”**

**Agenda Item #8 - Approve spending authority for the District consistent with the Fiscal Year 2017-18 Budget until the FY 2018-19 Budget is adopted.**

Presenter: Bret Banks.

Item was withdrawn as unnecessary as the previous item #7 was adopted.

**Agenda Item #9 - 1) Authorize the acceptance of Community Air Protection (CAP) Funding and 2) Authorize the Executive Director/APCO and staff to execute the agreement, approved as to legal form, and to negotiate and execute agreements for eligible projects.**

Presenter: Bret Banks.

Bret Banks shared background information and answered questions from the Board. After discussion and upon Motion by **HOFBAUER**, seconded by **BISHOP**, and unanimously approved, the Board: 1) **Authorized** the acceptance of Community Air Protection (CAP) Funding and 2) **Authorized** the Executive Director/APCO and staff to execute the agreement, approved as to legal form, and to negotiate and execute agreements for eligible projects.

**Agenda Item #10 - 1) Authorize the acceptance of Voluntary NOx Remediation Measure (NRM) Funding and 2) Authorize the Executive Director/APCO and staff to execute the agreement, approved as to legal form, and to negotiate and execute agreement for eligible project.**

Presenter: Bret Banks.

Bret Banks shared background information and answered questions from the Board. After discussion and upon Motion by **CHELETTE**, seconded by **HOFBAUER**, and unanimously approved, the Board: 1) **Authorized** the acceptance of Voluntary NOx Remediation Measure (NRM) Funding and 2) **Authorized** the Executive Director/APCO and staff to execute the agreement, approved as to legal form, and to negotiate and execute agreement for eligible project.

**Agenda Item #11 - 1) Award an amount not to exceed \$94,211 in Carl Moyer Program funds to Gall Brothers General Engineering for the replacement of an older diesel excavator with newer, 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.

Julie McKeehan shared background information and answered questions from the Board. After discussion and upon Motion by **MANN**, seconded by **HAWKINS**, and unanimously approved, the Board: 1) **Awarded** an amount not to exceed \$94,211 in Carl Moyer Program funds to Gall Brothers General Engineering for the replacement of an older diesel excavator with newer, 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 #12 - Reports**

Governing Board Counsel –

- None.

Executive Director/APCO –

- Bret Banks update the Board on the Annual Lawn Mower Exchange Event “Mow Down Air Pollution” held Saturday, June 2, 2018 at the Antelope Valley Environmental Collection Center in Palmdale and upcoming on Saturday, June 23, 2018 at the City of Lancaster Maintenance Yard in Lancaster.
- Bret Banks informed the Board of two upcoming events, the Valley Fever Symposium at the City of Hope on June 23, 2018 and the Antelope Valley’s First All Electric School Bus ribbon cutting ceremony June 21, 2018 at Vista San Gabriel Elementary School in Palmdale.
- Bret Banks publicly acknowledge and congratulated Board Member Steven Hofbauer for receiving the Los Angeles County Fire Department’s Medal of Valor.

Staff – None.

**Agenda Item #13 - Board Member Reports and Suggestions for Future Agenda Items.**

- Board Member **Hawkins** publicly thanked staff for supporting the Valley Fever efforts and dedicating a page on the Antelope Valley AQMD website in addition to providing and supporting the information on AB 617.

**Agenda Item #14 – Meeting Adjourned at 11:09 a.m. to Regular Governing Board Meeting of Tuesday, July 17, 2018.**

**ACTION OF THE GOVERNING BOARD**

**APPROVED**

Upon motion by **NEWTON CHELETTE**, seconded by **AUSTIN BISHOP**, as approved by the following vote:

**Ayes:           6       CRIST, BISHOP CHELETTE, HARRIS, HOFBAUER, MANN**  
**Noes:**  
**Absent:        1       HAWKINS**  
**Abstain:**

**DEANNA HERNANDEZ, SENIOR EXECUTIVE ANALYST**

BY *Karen K Nowak for DH*  
**Dated: July 17, 2018**