

**ANTELOPE VALLEY AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT  
GOVERNING BOARD MEETING  
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2018  
ANTELOPE VALLEY DISTRICT OFFICE  
LANCASTER, CA**

**Minutes**

Board Members Present:

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

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chair **CRIST** called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m. Board Member **BISHOP** led the Pledge of Allegiance. Roll call was taken.

**Special Announcements/Presentation:**

**Presentation of the 2017/2018 William J. "Pete" Knight Memorial AIRE Award (no backup materials). Presenter: Board Member Steven Hofbauer, City of Palmdale.**

Board Member Hofbauer provided background information on the AIRE Award (Achievement in Reducing Emissions) and was proud to recognize the City of Palmdale, partnering with Southern California Regional Energy Network (SoCalREN) for their collective efforts in reducing emissions that were the result of multiple projects. Based upon these accomplishments, the City of Palmdale has earned the distinction of being named the recipient of the 2017/2018 William J. "Pete" Knight Memorial AIRE Award.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

**Agenda Item #1 - 1. Approve Minutes from Regular Governing Board Meeting of August 21, 2018.**

Upon Motion by **HAWKINS**, seconded by **MALHI**, and carried unanimously, the Board **Approved** Minutes from Regular Governing Board Meeting of August 21, 2018.

**Agenda Item #2 – Monthly Grant Funding Summary. Receive and file.** Presenter: Bret Banks. Upon Motion by **HAWKINS**, seconded by **MALHI**, and carried unanimously, the Board **Received and Filed** Monthly Grand Funding Summary.

**Agenda Item #3 – Monthly Activity Report. Receive and file.** Presenter: Bret Banks. Upon Motion by **HAWKINS**, seconded by **MALHI**, and carried unanimously, the Board **Received and Filed** Monthly Activity Report.

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**Agenda Item #4 - Receive and file the Financial Report. The Financial Report is provided to the Governing Board for information concerning the fiscal status of the District at July 31, 2018, which provides financial information and budget performance concerning the current fiscal status of the District.** Presenter: Bret Banks, Executive Director/APCO. Upon Motion by HAWKINS, seconded by MALHI, and carried unanimously, the Board **Received and filed** the Financial Report.

**Agenda Item #5 - 1) Award an amount not to exceed \$20,000 in Mobile Source Emission Reductions Program (AB 923) funds to Antelope Valley Harley-Davidson toward infrastructure and installation of an electric vehicle charging station; 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.  
Item pulled. See ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION – DEFERRED.

**Agenda Item #6 - Approve payment to MDAQMD in the total amount of \$107,878.45, subject to availability of funds, for services provided during the month of July 2018.** Presenter: Bret Banks, Executive Director/APCO. Upon Motion by HAWKINS, seconded by MALHI, and carried unanimously, the Board **Approved** payment to MDAQMD in the total amount of \$107,878.45, subject to availability of funds, for services provided during the month of July 2018.

#### **ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION**

##### **DEFERRED**

**Agenda Item #5 - 1) Award an amount not to exceed \$20,000 in Mobile Source Emission Reductions Program (AB 923) funds to Antelope Valley Harley-Davidson toward infrastructure and installation of an electric vehicle charging station; 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.  
Item pulled by Chair MARVIN CRIST. Staff Member Julie McKeehan presented background information and answered questions from the Board. Chair Crist pulled the item in hopes that the Antelope Valley Press would take this opportunity to write an article regarding this important and beneficial subject. Upon Motion by BISHOP, seconded by MALHI, and carried unanimously, the Board 1) **Awarded** an amount not to exceed \$20,000 in Mobile Source Emission Reductions Program (AB 923) funds to Antelope Valley Harley-Davidson toward infrastructure and installation of an electric vehicle charging station; 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. Presenter: Julie McKeehan, Grants Analyst.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

**Agenda Item #7 – Conduct a public hearing to consider the amendment of Rule 1110.2 – Emissions from Stationary, Non-Road and Portable Internal Combustion Engines: a. Open public hearing; b. Receive staff report; c. Receive public testimony; d. Close public hearing; e. Make a determination that the CEQA Categorical Exemption applies; f. Waive reading of Resolution; g. Adopt Resolution making appropriate findings, certifying the Notice of Exemption amending Rule 1110.2 – Emissions from Stationary, Non-Road and**

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**Portable Internal Combustion Engines and directing staff actions.** Presenter: Bret Banks, Executive Director/APCO. Chair CRIST opened the Public Hearing. Staff Member Bret Banks presented the staff report. Chair CRIST solicited public comment. Being none, Chair CRIST closed the public hearing. Chair CRIST made the determination that the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Categorical Exemption applies and waived reading of Resolution. Upon Motion by **HAWKINS**, seconded by **HOFBAUER**, and carried unanimously the Board adopted Resolution 18-05, "A RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BOARD OF THE ANTELOPE VALLEY AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT MAKING FINDINGS, CERTIFYING THE NOTICE OF EXEMPTION, AMENDING RULE 1110.2-EMISSIONS FROM STATIONARY, NON-ROAD AND PORTABLE INTERNAL COMBUSTION ENGINES AND DIRECTING STAFF ACTIONS."

**Agenda Item #8 – Reports.**

**Governing Board Counsel –**

None.

**Executive Director/APCO –**

- Bret Banks updated the Board regarding the grant application submitted by Jacqueline Ayer, Association of Rural Town Councils (ARTC) and AVAQMD to California Air Resources Board (CARB) under the AB617 Community Air Protection Program to obtain low cost air sensors for particulate monitoring was not granted. The District will work with CARB on an alternate strategy to obtain some air sensors. Mr. Banks will provide an update on this subject at the next governing board meeting.
  
- Bret Banks and the Board discussed the District focusing efforts on event sponsorship as a method for increasing public outreach and public awareness on the programs the District has to offer. This generated comments from Chair Crist emphasizing the importance of such event sponsorships as approach to public outreach. In addition to event sponsorship, Chair Crist would like to create and support a public Clean Energy or Renewable Energy conference where local public and private entities come together for public education regarding renewable power, clean energy and emission reduction technologies. Board Members Hofbauer and Hawkins concur with Chair Crist on this important subject.

**Staff –**

None.

**Agenda Item #9 – Board Member Reports and Suggestions for Future Agenda Items.**

- Board Member Bishop publicly thanked Chair Crist for the recognizing the City of Palmdale with the 2017/2018 William "Pete" Knight Memorial Aire Award.

**Agenda Item #10 – Adjourn to Regular Governing Board Meeting of Tuesday, October 16, 2018.**

Being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:43 a.m. to the next regularly scheduled Governing Board Meeting of Tuesday, October 16, 2018.

**ACTION OF THE GOVERNING BOARD**

**APPROVED**

Upon motion by **HOWARD HARRIS**, seconded by **NEWTON CHELETTE**, as approved by the following vote:

**Ayes**            **5**        **CRIST, CHELETTE, HARRIS, HOFBAUER, HAWKINS**

**Noes:**

**Absent:**        **2**        **BISHOP, MANN**

**Abstain:**

**DEANNA HERNANDEZ, SENIOR EXECUTIVE ANALYST**

**BY** 

**Dated: October 16, 2018**