



BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Ashley Sangster, President Brendin Beatty, Vice-President
 Rod Smiley, Director Owen Davis, Director

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

6:00 P.M. Opened Session

SMCSD Boardroom 02-26-2026

1. Call to Order:

At: 6:00 PM

2. Roll Call: *Ashley Sangster, Rod Smiley, Brendin Beatty, Owen Davis*

3. Approval of Regular Meeting Agenda:

Motion By: Brendin Beatty

Second By: Ashley Sangster

Motion: To Approve

Board Members	Ayes	Noes	Abstain	Absent
Brendin Beatty	X			
Rod Smiley	X			
Owen Davis	X			
Ashley Sangster	X			

4. Pledge of Allegiance:

Lead by Director Davis

5. Public Comment and Communications for items not on the agenda:

Murray Powell a Templeton resident spoke about San Miguel water use and that he feels that the San Miguel CSD is in violation of a court order for previous water usage. Mr. Powell also spoke about the San Luis Obispo County Planning Commission approving the 181 housing development in San Miguel even though he feels that there is no water for the development. General Manager Kelly Dodds read written comment aloud by J. Brown.

6. Special Presentations/Public Hearings/Other:

1. Continuation of 1/22/2026 Board Meeting

Board to conduct interviews of applicants for the vacant Board of Director seat and potentially appointment an individual to fill the vacancy. (Pg. 5-11)

Interview and select a candidate to fill an existing Board of Directors vacancy thru

December 2026 at which time the seat will be filled through a general election. Item was presented by Deputy General Counsel Pritchard who explained that there were four candidates, and after 2 failed votes at the 1-22-2026 Board Meeting, it was then requested that the Board of Directors come back with 3 additional questions for the candidates. Deputy General Counsel Pritchard also explained that she had spoke with the the San Luis Obispo County Counsel and that they would not be taking up this vacancy for appointment. The San Miguel Community Service District Board will need to appoint someone or wait for the November General Election.

Berkley Baker a San Miguel resident and candidate was asked additional questions by the four Board of Directors.

Raynette Gregory a San Miguel resident and candidate was asked additional questions by the four Board of Directors.

Vidya Schalk a San Miguel resident and candidate was asked additional questions by the four Board of Directors.

Public Comment: General Manager Kelly Dodds read written comment aloud by Ethan Pahler

General Manager Kelly Dodds read written comment aloud by Shaunna

General Manager Kelly Dodds read written comment aloud by Mary Pahler

General Manager Kelly Dodds read written comment aloud by Sebastian Scott

General Manager Kelly Dodds read written comment aloud by Pamela Jardine

General Manager Kelly Dodds read written comment aloud by J. Brown

Director Davis explained that there was no J. Brown on the voter roles and everything is a bunch of lies.

Raynette Gregory a San Miguel resident asked to speak on the Public Comment letters regarding her personally and stated that the other candidates were allowed a chance to refute what was said about them. Director Sangster denied her request, explaining that Public Comment was taken and Public Comment was closed.

Discussion ensued about the untrue statements through public comments and Facebook. After failed motion by Director Smiley to allow Raynette to speak, Director Sangster opened Board Comment for discussion or nominations.

Board Comment: Director Beatty spoke about the four failed motions and that there is a division on the Board. Director Beatty explained that he thought it would be nice to appoint a candidate that has not been on the Board before and it was time to let someone new on.

General Manager Kelly Dodds asked if the Board would like to bring this item back, start the process over, or wait until the November election.

Director Davis explained that he thought the Board should wait until the November election, and that way the public can decide in an election.

Director Sangster explained that there is already an election scheduled for November where anyone could file to be on the ballot, and then the community could decide since there is no consensus of the Board.

General Manager Kelly Dodds thanked the Board and explained that if there was no other discussion then the Board should move to the next item.

Motion By: Rod Smiley

Second By: Brendin Beatty

Motion: To Approve San Miguel resident and candidate Raynette Gregory the opportunity to refute the things said about her during public comment. - FAILED

Board Members	Ayes	Noes	Abstain	Absent
Brendin Beatty	X			
Rod Smiley	X			
Owen Davis		X		
Ashley Sangster		X		

Motion By: Rod Smiley

Second By: Brendin Beatty

Motion: To Approve appointment of Raynette Gregory - FAILED

Board Members	Ayes	Noes	Abstain	Absent
Brendin Beatty	X			
Rod Smiley	X			
Owen Davis		X		
Ashley Sangster		X		

Motion By: Owen Davis

Second By: Ashley Sangster

Motion: To Approve appointment of Berkley Baker - FAILED

Board Members	Ayes	Noes	Abstain	Absent
Owen Davis	X			
Ashley Sangster	X			
Brendin Beatty		X		
Rod Smiley		X		

Motion By: Brendin Beatty

Second By:

Motion: To Approve appointment of Vidya Schalk - FAILED LACK OF SECOND

Board Members	Ayes	Noes	Abstain	Absent
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7. Non- District Reports:

1. San Luis Obispo County Organizations

Verbal/Report

San Luis Obispo County Sheriff Commander Arauza provided the January 2026 Calls For Service report for San Miguel. There were two reports of battery, and four reports for Suspicious Circumstances. There were no reports filed for Disturbances, Burglary, Theft, Vandalism, or Trespassing. Sheriff Commander spoke about the 5th Saturday cruise nights and explained that the Sheriff office will be working with the Californian Highway Patrol (CHP) to keep things safe.

Public Comment: None

Board Comment: None

2. Community Service Organizations

Verbal

Kathy Shuder President of the San Miguel Senior Center gave an update on upcoming events. The Senior Center is now having exercise class two days a week, adding extra days for crafting and quilting, and scrapbooking coming soon. There is also Bingo, and there will be a vendor event on May 1st and 2nd. San Miguel Senior Center is looking for more participation. Information is available at: [San Miguel Senior Center - Serving the Community](#)

Public Comment: None

Board Comment: None

3. Camp Roberts—Army National Guard (Pg.12)

Unable to attend, if you have any questions please contact:

Keba M. Baird

Public Information Officer

California Military Department

Camp Roberts / Camp San Luis Obispo

mil: keba.m.baird.nfg@army.mil

o: (805) 238-8286

c: (805) 610-6742

General Manager Kelly Dodds explained that if anyone had any question the Camp Robert's Public Information Officer's contact information has been provided.

Public Comment: None

Board Comment: None

8. Staff & Committee Reports - Receive & File:

1. General Manager (Pg. 13-14)

Receive report.

General Manager Kelly Dodds reported that all of the Board Members received the book "The Great Train Heist" that was sent by the Gallaher Family, in opposition to the funding approval of the bullet train project. The General Manager Kelly Dodds updated the Board that the District received this year's list of parcels to be sold under tax sale, but all the parcels are in California Valley, the District responded "not interested". The Annual FPPC 700 forms were discussed, and General Manager Kelly Dodds thanked all the Board of Directors for getting them done, and if anyone had questions or needed help to please contact Board Clerk Tamara Parent.

Public Comment: None

Board Comment: None

2. District Counsel

Receive verbal report

Deputy General Counsel Pritchard stated for the benefit of the public and the Board, who have heard from her a few times, and it has also been reiterated at the San Luis Obispo

County Planning Commission Meeting that the District is not in violation of any Court Orders. It was explained that in order for the court to implement a cap or require a certain amount of pumping from a public entity/anyone there would need to be a full adjudication of the Groundwater Basin. The Steinbeck litigation is not that, it is a quiet title case that is deciding who has the right to pump and in what priority.

Public Comment: None

Board Comment: None

3. District Utilities (Pg. 15-18)

Receive and file

General Manager Kelly Dodds explained that he has included an update on the "Notice of Violation" due to the berm breach at the Wastewater Treatment Facility (WWTF) and explained that there was a letter that was circulated a few weeks ago insinuating a lot of things that are not true. General Manager Kelly Dodds clarified that the factual information is provided in his report and asked if there were any additional questions. It was explained that the District is working on a formal resolution to the issue and that the District has done everything the Water Board has asked and has responded to all their comments. The District continues to operate the WWTF within the permit guidelines.

Board Comment: Director Davis explained that there was a list of violations, and that he did not want to go over them but wanted to know why the Board had not been informed of any of these violations. General Manager Kelly Dodds explained each of the various ways the Board was informed of these violations. General Manager Kelly Dodds reminded the Board that he is always available for any questions or clarifications. General Manager Kelly Dodds explained that the majority of the violations that are listed on the Water Boards website are violations of constituents because the District's permit changed; and has been acknowledged by the Water Board. It was explained that some of the violations that go back to when the plant was built in 2000, because that plant was never built to actually treat the waste, and that it is not possible to meet its permit requirements.

Director Davis commented that he has discussed those issues with the General Manager, and that he has also discussed the sprinklers north of the WWTF. General Manager Kelly Dodds clarified that the District is using a spray field because the percolation ponds are not percolating. Discussion ensued about storm water.

Director Davis asked why the District has not stopped taking septage, and that he had seen trucks that he found out had pig waste and rainwater in them, that was going to the WWTF. Director Davis clarified that he wants to know if the treatment plant is having issues, why would you continue taking neighboring waste. General Manager Kelly Dodds explained that Director Davis was making it sound like we are taking, straight pig waste which is not true. Director Davis replied that he understood, and asked again why do we have to take that waste when there are issues with the WWTF, expressing that he thinks they should all be told to go somewhere else.

General Manager Kelly Dodds explained, again that the WWTF would be having the issues discussed regardless, and that he has said in the past the Board can either elect to accept septage and charge the fee that the Board has established and generate revenue or the Board could elect not to take it and not receive the revenue.

Director Davis explained that he feels that he has never received a good answer when he asks how much is made in Septage Receiving. General Manager Kelly Dodds explained again that it is in the monthly financials, for this Board meeting it is on Page 112 of the Board Packet under Revenue line 46200 Wastewater Receiving. As of the date of the financial reports, the District has collected \$144,153.70 since July 1st, 2025.

Director Davis explained that he would like to have a discussion about taking septage on a

Board agenda, Discussion ensued on Board priorities for agenda items.

Director Sangster explained that the main concern is the volume that is coming in, explaining that since it is from Cal Poly he knows where it's coming from, knows what it is and knows who is bringing it. Director Sangster explained that it is mostly rainwater and pig waste and that his concern is volume. It was stated that a septic pumping business has 4,000 gallons and a full trailer tank is 15,000 gallons. Director Sangster discussed the percolation pond issues and that there is big enough issue at the WWTF, that the District is using a spray filed, and feels that the additional volume is not helping the percolation problem.

General Manager Kelly Dodds explained that there would still be a percolation problem if we took the waste or not and explained that the spray filed can mitigate around 300% of what the WWTF can produce. Whether the District takes this waste or not is really not relevant to the percolation ponds since we are able to use the spray field.

General Manager Kelly Dodds explained that the larger trucks are no longer coming because Director Davis personally called them. General Manager Kelly Dodds explained that the larger trucks are 5,000 gallons and a standard truck is normally between 2,500 and 3,500 gallons, so they are twice as big as a standard truck, but not 15,000 Gallons.

Director Beatty gave his apologies for cutting Mr. Dodds report short, but wanted clarification on Director Davis calling the company and telling them not to come anymore. General Manager Kelly Dodds explained that was what was reported to him by the hauling company.

Director Davis explained that he did call the hauling company and asked what they were hauling. They said it was rainwater and pig waste. Director Davis stated that he told the contracted company that it had never been approved by the Board, and the hauling company said that they would not bring anymore until it was approved by the Board.

Director Beatty asked why he was making that decision, and asked Director Sangster if he knew that Director Davis had made that decision for the rest of the Board.

Director Sangster answered that he just heard who was bringing it.

Director Beatty expressed his disappointment and gave examples if he had made decisions for the Board as a single member of the Board, and how that would go over. Director Beatty explained that the Board is a team and should be working together as whole Board.

Deputy General Counsel Pritchard explained for clarification that taking septage was approved by the whole Board and the reception of that is currently a Board policy. If the Board chooses to change the receiving of that type of waste into the facility, the policy would need to be changed.

Director Davis explained that he was under the impression that the only thing that was approved by the Board was to take those smaller septage trucks. Deputy General Counsel explained that the policy is not that specific. General Manager Kelly Dodds clarified that the Board approved non-hazardous wastewater which could be a multitude of things, and that nothing in the policy was tied to size or type of truck bringing the septage.

Director Beatty asked if receiving septage was increasing the capacity to where we cannot take care of our community? General Manager Kelly Dodds said no, clarifying that acceptance of any additional waste is very closely monitored. We have a maximum that we will take in any given day. General Manager Kelly Dodds gave examples on when the District does not take septage; rainstorms, burden on staff, or not in an operational state where it would not be benefiting the District. General Manager Kelly Dodds clarified that he thought Director Davis's biggest question; is taking septage contributing to the volume. General Manager Kelly Dodds clarified that yes, because there is a daily capacity that can be processed through the plant. Discussion and explanation on how total capacity is calculated to accept septage or not is done daily, and that it does add to the total capacity

numbers.

Director Smiley explained that he does not think that any Board Member should be able to speak unilaterally on behalf of the Board and does not want Directors to tell the companies that they can not come. Director Smiley explained that the subject of septage has been brought up repeatedly and that the General Manager has answered every question repeatedly; always giving a breakdown of the cost of taking septage and what has been collected from septage. Director Smiley is in favor of allowing septage and understands the sewer issues.

Deputy General Counsel Pritchard asked to stop the discussion, because septage is not agendized for this meeting and explained that it will be on the future agenda.

Public Comment: Jenny Nickett a San Miguel resident spoke that she would like it noted that there is one Director speaking for the whole Board, and she feels that it was just brushed off during discussion. Mrs. Nickett also spoke that she would ask that a discussion be had on the policy for that issue, so that everyone is on the same page.

4. Fire Chief Report (Pg. 19-33)

Receive and File

Item was presented by General Manager Kelly Dodds who explained that Fire Chief Scott Young was unavailable for this meeting and explained that if anyone had any questions, they would be relayed to him.

Board Comment: Director Sangster asked if there was anyone staying/living in the THU, explaining that he had seen the same car there for around three weeks.

Director Davis asked about the weeds around the THU and asked that it be cleaned up.

Public Comment: None

9. Consent Calendar:

Director Davis asked to pull item 9.3 for discussion.

Motion By: Ashley Sangster

Second By: Owen Davis

Motion: To Approve 9.1 and 9.2

Board Members	Ayes	Noes	Abstain	Absent
Brendin Beatty	X			
Rod Smiley	X			
Owen Davis	X			
Ashley Sangster	X			

1. 1-22-2026 Draft San Miguel CSD Board of Directors regular meeting minutes (Pg. 34-52)

Receive and file

2. Authorize release of a Request For Proposals (RFP) for Machado Wastewater Treatment Facility Service and Switchboard installation (Approve by 3/5 vote) (Pg. 53)

Review and authorize release of a Request for Proposals for the installation of the repurchased switchgear equipment for the Machado Wastewater Treatment Facility.

3. Authorize release of a Request For Proposals (RFP) for Construction Management

**Services for the Machado Wastewater Treatment Facility Upgrade and Expansion.
(Approve by 3/5 vote) (Pg. 54-74)**

Authorize the General Manager to release an RFP for Construction Management Services for the Machado Wastewater Treatment Facility Upgrade and Expansion project.

Item was presented by General Manager Kelly Dodds explaining that this item is to authorize the General Manager to release an RFP for Construction Management Services for the Machado Wastewater Treatment Facility Upgrade and Expansion project. It was explained that current District staff is not equipped or able to manage a project of this size and complexity. The Construction Manager would be responsible for the management and documentation of the project from preconstruction through construction and into post construction closeout including document and plan review and reporting. It is proposed that a Construction Manager be on board prior to bidding the main construction for the WWTF expansion. He would like it if they could provide input prior to and throughout bidding, which will ideally reduce the number and severity of issues during construction.

Board Comment: Director Sangster asked if this could be accompanying the General Contractors' responsibilities. General Manager Kelly Dodds explained that the contractors that are hired will have their own project managers specific to them. What is being proposed is a person who will be making sure the project schedules are aligned on the Districts behalf and is quality control for the District. They will also be preparing reports to go to the State for grant funding reimbursements. Discussion ensued about the District engineer.

Director Sangster asked if this would be included in the grant funds, and what the time frame is. General Manger Kelly Dodds explained that it is included through the duration of the project, and the time frame is 2 to 3 years.

Director Davis asked if the equipment for the WWTF upgrade came from one company. General Manager Kelly Dodds explained that the majority of the equipment is coming from Cloacina. Discussion ensued regarding equipment, and how the Construction Management Services would play into that process.

Director Sangster asked about where this RFP would be sent out to. General Manager Kelly Dodds provided comments on where and who the RFP would be sent to and discussed requirements.

Public Comment: None

Motion By: Rod Smiley

Second By: Brendin Beatty

Motion: To Approve

Board Members	Ayes	Noes	Abstain	Absent
Brendin Beatty	X			
Rod Smiley	X			
Owen Davis	X			
Ashley Sangster	X			

10. Board Action Items:

- 1. Authorize the General Manager to issue a letter of support to the County of San Luis Obispo for the Multi-Benefit Irrigated Land Repurposing (MILR) program. (Provide direction by consensus) (Pg 75-80)**

It is recommended that the Board review the attached DRAFT letter of support and provide direction to the General Manager

Item was presented by General Manager Kelly Dodds explained that the District received a letter from Mr. Reely, Director of Groundwater Sustainability, with the County of San Luis Obispo requesting a letter of support for the County's proposed Multi-Benefit Irrigated Land Repurposing (MILR) program. The letter that was received is attached for review and an explanation of the proposed program. General Manager Kelly Dodds explained that there was a Draft letter of support attached for the Boards review. The proposed MILR program is a county program which would apply to all properties within the county including properties within the San Miguel CSD. Discussion ensued on the current County ordinance and the MILR program.

Board Comment: Director Smiley explained that he was in favor of this and feels that a lot of farmers are in danger of losing their water rights; this could be a good reprieve.

Director Davis explained that he understands the program, but that he reads it; you would have to had farmed the land before you could fallow it. General Manager Kelly Dodds commented that this is targeting those that are currently watering. It was explained that there are a lot of farmers that are irrigating because they do not want to lose their water rights. This MILR program would give them an opportunity to stop irrigating without fear of losing their water rights.

Director Sangster explained that he feels that this is a worthwhile endeavor.

Public Comment: Raynette Gregory a San Miguel resident asked if there was a fee to participate in this program and spoke about this being a huge issue in the area and is in support of this. Deputy General Counsel Pritchard explained that the letter from the County indicated that there was no fee to participate.

Consensus of the Board is to issue a letter of support for the MILR program to the County of San Luis Obispo.

2. **Monthly claim detail and investment reports for January 2026 (Recommend receive and file claim detail and investment report by Board consensus) (Pg. 81-127)**
When ancillary reports are provided they are for reference only and are subject to change.

Review, Receive and File the attached claim detail and investment reports.

When ancillary reports are provided they are for reference only and are subject to change.

Item was presented by General Manager Kelly Dodds submitting reports as written and recommending the Board receive and file the Claims Detail and Investment reports for January 2026.

Board Comment: None

Public Comment: None

Consensus of the Board is to receive and file January 2026 Financials

3. **Award a contract to MNS Engineers in an amount not to exceed \$183,980 for the San Lawrence Terrace Booster pump station project including associated budget adjustments by Resolution. (Approve by 3/5 vote) (Pg. 128-149)**

Review and approve the attached resolution authorizing the General Manager to execute a contract with MNS Engineers in an amount not to exceed \$183,980 including budget adjustments.

Item was presented by General Manager Kelly Dodds who explained that this item was

previously tabled, and that the Board authorized a release of an RFP in December for the San Lawrence Terrace Booster Pump Station Design. Three firms attended the pre-bid meeting which was held on January 8th, 2026. Four proposals were received as of the January 30th, 2026; MNS Engineers, Wallace Group Inc, Diversified Project Services International, and Schaaf & Wheeler Consulting Civil Engineers. All four proposals were reviewed by Staff and the District Engineer, and all four proposals were deemed responsive to the RFP, however Wallace Group Inc did not attend the mandatory preproposal meeting. The recommendation from the District Engineer WSC is on page 147 of the Board Packet for review. General Manager Kelly Dodds provided a summary of the cost breakdown, and explained the recommendation is to award the project to MNS Engineering in an amount not to exceed \$183,980 that would be funded through Water Capital Funds. This project is to design and provide construction drawings for bidding.

Board Comment: Director Davis asked for clarification if this cost was for design only. General Manager Kelly Dodds confirmed that he was correct that it was for the design for construction drawings. Director Davis asked if the Booster Pump Station would be able to be used, without the new tanks. General Manager Kelly Dodds explained that the SLT Booster Pump Station will be designed to take water for the Westside of the river as well as be configured to take water from the tanks that are proposed. Discussion ensued.

Public Comment: None

Motion By: Rod Smiley

Second By: Ashley Sangster

Motion: To Approve

Board Members	Ayes	Noes	Abstain	Absent
Brendin Beatty	X			
Rod Smiley	X			
Owen Davis	X			
Ashley Sangster	X			

4. Approve proposal by SWCA for environmental services related to the Machado WWTF and Solar project in an amount not to exceed \$142,797.90 by Resolution including necessary budget adjustments (Approve by 3/5 vote) (Pg. 150-162)

Approve the proposal by SWCA for environmental service related to the Machado WWTF and solar project in an amount not to exceed \$142,797.90 and authorize the General Manager to execute an agreement with SWCA and make necessary budget adjustments. Item was presented by General Manager Kelly Dodds explaining that this item is to approve proposal by SWCA for environmental services related to the Machado WWTF and Solar project in an amount not to exceed \$142,797.90, including necessary budget adjustments. General Manage Kelly Dodds explained that SWCA would be providing cultural, archeological, paleontological, and biological monitoring for the entire project at the WWTF. They will be monitoring daily activities as necessary to comply with requirement to perform site surveys for certain wildlife and plant life which must be done in advance of any construction and throughout construction. Per our Conditional Use Permit (CUP) from the County of San Luis Obispo the District is also required to provide environmental mitigation for all parts of the project. This item would be reimbursed through the construction portion of the grant, the District would be paying out of packet then reimbursed.

Board Comment: Director Sangster asked for clarification that this would cover the Solar

Projects, the Switchgear and the entire construction. General Manager Kelly Dodds explained that the first portion would be the Switchgear and, Solar project then it will cover the entirety of the construction project. It was explained that this is projected out until 2028.

Director Davis asked if the Solar company would be doing any of this environmental work. General Manager Kelly Dodds clarified that the Solar company, Forefront Power, responsibility is for all the equipment and installation of the equipment and the District is responsible for the required environmental work.

Public Comment: Robin Johnson a San Miguel resident asked if this solar would be affected if the District decided to move the office to the downtown area. General Manager Kelly Dodds clarified that this solar project is for the Wastewater Treatment process and the energy it uses, not the offices.

Motion By: Rod Smiley

Second By: Brendin Beatty

Motion: To Approve

Board Members	Ayes	Noes	Abstain	Absent
Brendin Beatty	X			
Rod Smiley	X			
Owen Davis	X			
Ashley Sangster	X			

5. Approve proposal from Earth Systems in an amount not to exceed \$16,456 by associated Resolution for geotechnical laboratory testing in conjunction with the borings to be performed under separate contract by ABC Liovin Drilling approved at the January Board Meeting. (Approve by 3/5 vote) (Pg. 163-170)

Review and approve, by 3/5 vote, a proposal by Earth Systems in the amount of \$16,456.00 to perform laboratory testing of soils in conjunction with the Monitoring wells and exploratory borings which were approved under separate contract in January.

Item was presented by General Manager Kelly Dodds explaining that this item is to approve the proposal from Earth Systems in an amount not to exceed \$16,456 for geotechnical laboratory testing in conjunction with the borings to be performed under separate contract by ABC Liovin Drilling. At the January 22nd, 2026, Board Meeting the Board approved a contract with ABC Liovin Drilling for boring and monitoring well development at the WWTF in relation to the ongoing percolation pond issues as well as to comply with the new General Order Permit. Part of the boring and monitoring well work will require collection and analysis of the soil at various intervals in each bore. Earth Systems has provided a proposal for the necessary work associated with the collection, analysis, and testing of the samples. This item would be funded through Wastewater General Operation funds.

Board Comment: Director Sangster asked if this is to analyze of the borings in the percolation ponds. General Manager Kelly Dodds explained that there are seven different borings and this will analyze the soil for each one of those. The proposal is for 28 different samples that they will be testing.

Public Comment: None

Motion By: Ashley Sangster

Second By: Brendin Beatty

Motion: To Approve

Board Members	Ayes	Noes	Abstain	Absent
Brendin Beatty	X			
Rod Smiley	X			
Owen Davis	X			
Ashley Sangster	X			

6. Tabled from 12/18/2025 Board Meeting

Authorize the General Manager to contract with Geo Solutions in an amount not to exceed \$11,920 for soils engineering and boring work, and SWCA in an amount not to exceed \$32,274 for environmental work, related to the SLT Booster Station design and Tank site with related budget adjustment by associated Resolution. (Approve by 3/5 Vote) (Pg. 171-184)

Discuss and authorize the General Manager to execute contracts with Geo Solutions and SWCA for work related to the design of the proposed SLT Tanks and Booster station. Including authorization of related budget adjustment by Resolution.

Item was presented by General Manager Kelly Dodds explaining that this item was tabled at the December Board meeting. This item is to contract with Geo Solutions in the amount not to exceed \$11,920.00 for soil engineering and boring work and to contract with SWCA in the amount not to exceed \$32,274.00 for environmental work. This is related to the SLT Booster Station design and tank site. This item would be funded through Operational Cash as a not to exceed amount of \$44,194.00.

Board Comment: Director Sangster asked why this was tabled in December. General Manager Kelly Dodds explained that this item was tabled because two Directors were unavailable.

Public Comment: None

Motion By: Ashley Sangster

Second By: Rod Smiley

Motion: To Approve

Board Members	Ayes	Noes	Abstain	Absent
Brendin Beatty	X			
Rod Smiley	X			
Owen Davis	X			
Ashley Sangster	X			

7. Approve purchase agreement for a portion of the Tannehill Ranch property adjacent to the Machado Wastewater Treatment Facility and authorize the General Manager to execute the agreement, associated documents, transfers and budget adjustments by associated Resolution (Approve by 3/5 vote) (Pg. 185-197)

Approve a purchase agreement in an amount of \$120,000 for the purchase of a 7.05 acres portion of the Tannehill Ranch property located adjacent to the Machado Wastewater Treatment Facility and authorize the General Manager to execute the agreement and associated documentation to affect the transfer.

Item was presented by General Manager Kelly Dodds explained that this item is to approve a purchase agreement in an amount of \$120,000 for the purchase of a 7.05 acres a portion

of the Tannehill Ranch property located to the North adjacent to the Machado Wastewater Treatment Facility and authorize the General Manager to execute the agreement and associated documentation to affect the transfer.

Board Comment: Director Sangster asked where the funding would come from. General Manager Kelly Dodds explained that the funds are coming from Wastewater Capital Funds. Director Beatty asked for clarification on the amount it was appraised at and if it was the a \$120,000. General Manager Kelly Dodds explained that he was correct, the appraised amount was \$120,000.

Director Sangster asked if the District did the appraisal. General Manager Kelly Dodds clarified that the District had an independent appraiser.

Director Davis asked about a check that he has already signed for this property. General Manger Kelly Dodds explained that the District is contracted with Hamner & Jewel for real estate transactions, and would have to review.

Director Davis asked if the District owned the property that the sprayers are on currently. General Manager Kelly Dodds commented that the District did own that property, and this new property is just north of that.

Director Beatty asked how long it took the owners to accept the offer. General Manager Kelly Dodds explained that it took the whole 45 days, and there are a lot of parties involved. Discussion ensued on easement to the property.

Public Comment: Raynette Gregory a San Miguel resident spoke about the acreage of the property and had questions regarding the railroad access. General Manager Kelly Dodds clarified that this property is 7.05 acres and that this particular parcel is not connected to the railroad property.

Motion By: Brendin Beatty

Second By: Rod Smiley

Motion: To Approve

Board Members	Ayes	Noes	Abstain	Absent
Brendin Beatty	X			
Rod Smiley	X			
Owen Davis	X			
Ashley Sangster	X			

11. Board Comment:

Director Davis asked to have an ordinance banning the Sales and Use of fireworks in San Miguel, and wanted to make sure that it was on the agenda. Deputy General Counsel Pritchard explained that it was a previously discussed item and was to be put on the agenda once there was a full five-member Board. Counsel explained that it is appropriate to bring back up but wanted to say that the second reading of the 2025 Fire Ordinance will be at the March Board meeting.

General Manager Kelly Dodds explained again that the Board has the ability to not approve the sale of Safe and Sane fireworks in any given year by not approving the resolution that authorizes the sales dates.

Director Davis explained that he would like to have a censure of Director Smiley for stalking on the March agenda.

Director Beatty asked about the lighting on 11th Street. General Manager Kelly Dodds explained that he has a meeting scheduled with the engineering firm next week.

Director Smiley explained that he would like to have a censure of Director Davis on the March

agenda for acting on his own as a Board of Director and calling Cal Poly about the non-hazardous waste.

12. Adjourn to Closed Session/Closed Session Agenda:

Public Comment: None

Director Sangster closed public comment and called the meeting into closed session at 8:33 PM

1. **PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION (Gov. Code, § 54957(b)(1)) Title:**
Fire Chief
Discussion

13. Report out of Closed Session:

No reportable action

14. Adjournment to Next Regular Meeting:

At: 9:15 PM

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