



HARBOR COMMISSION BOARD MEETING

Minutes
June 27, 2023
5:00 PM

Coastal Gateway Building
3900 Avila Beach Drive, Avila Beach, CA 93424

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

Call to Order: President Matakovich called the Meeting to order at 5:02 PM.

<u>Commissioners Present</u>	Mary Matakovich, Bob Vessely, Jim Blecha, Bill Barrow, and Drew Brandy
<u>Commissioners Absent:</u>	None
<u>Staff Present</u>	Suzy Watkins, Harbor Director
<u>Legal Counsel Present</u>	Ty Green via telephone

PUBLIC COMMENT: President Matakovich called for public comment on the Closed Session items, of which there was none.

ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION

President Matakovich adjourned to Closed Session at 5:03 PM.

Pursuant to Government Code §54957.6: Conference with labor negotiators. Agency designated representative: Harbor Director Suzy Watkins. Employee Organization: Service Employees International Union, Local 620.

Pursuant to Government Code §54957.6: Conference with labor negotiators. Agency designated representatives: Harbor Director Suzy Watkins. Employee Organization: Port San Luis Harbor Patrol Officers Association.

ADJOURN TO OPEN SESSION

The Board adjourned, and President Matakovich reconvened the meeting to Open Session at 6:01 PM.

Report on Closed Session:

President Matakovich reported that direction was given to Staff.

ROLL CALL / FLAG SALUTE / PUBLIC COMMENT

<u>Commissioners Present</u>	Mary Matakovich, Bob Vessely, Jim Blecha, Bill Barrow, and Drew Brandy
<u>Commissioners Absent:</u>	None
<u>Staff Present</u>	Suzy Watkins, Harbor Director; Chris Munson, Facilities Manager; Matt Ashton, Chief Harbor Patrol Officer; Accounting Supervisor Diane Stevens
<u>Legal Counsel Present</u>	Ty Green via telephone

PUBLIC COMMENT: President Matakovich called for public comment on items not on the agenda, and the following commented:

- Tom Swem, Port Captain, San Luis Yacht Club
 - Brian Jaggert, resident of Morro Bay
 - Nick Del Giorgio, resident of Atascadero and Avila Beach
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CONSENT ITEMS

A. Activity Reports: May 2023; receive and file.

B. Treasurer's Report: April 2023; receive and file.

C. Monthly Payables: May 2023 check register; receive and file.

D. Minutes: May 15, 2023, May 23, 2023, May 30, 2023, Minutes; recommend approval.

E. FYE 2022/23 Budgetary Transfers: Budgetary Transfers for Fiscal Year End 2022-23: recommend approval.

F. Avila Beach Paddlesports: Lease Amendment Request; recommend approval.

Public Comment: President Matakovich called for public comment on Consent Items A through D, and there was none.

Action: Commissioner Vessely moved to approve Consent Items A through D; seconded by Commissioner Blecha. Motion passed 5-0.

PULLED CONSENT ITEMS

E. FYE 2022/23 Budgetary Transfers: Budgetary Transfers for Fiscal Year End 2022-23: recommend approval.

Public Comment: President Matakovich called for public comment, and there was none.

Action: Commissioner Vessely moved to approve Consent Item E; seconded by Commissioner Blecha. Motion passed 5-0.

F. Avila Beach Paddlesports: Lease Amendment Request; recommend approval.

Public Comment: President Matakovich called for public comment, and the following commented:

- Steve Snyder, resident of Arroyo Grande
- Brian Jaggert, resident of Morro Bay
- Alicia Avina, owner of Avila Beach Paddlesports, resident of San Luis Obispo

Action: Commissioner Blecha moved to amend Consent Item F to include the revisions proposed by Counsel and waive the lease amendment fee; seconded by Commissioner Brandy. Motion passed 3-2 (President Matakovich and Commissioner Barrow dissented).

DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Strategic Planning Committee's Plan to Address District Objective #5: Review and provide input.

Harbor Director Suzy Watkins presented an overview of the Committee recommendation.

President Matakovich lead the discussion of Master Plan Chapters 1 and 2.

Public Comment: President Matakovich called for public comment, and there was none

Action: No formal action required.

B. Public Hearing to Approve Fiscal Year 2023-24 Annual Budget: Receive public comment and approve final Budget; adopt Resolution 23-08.

Harbor Director Suzy Watkins presented the Staff Report.

Accounting Supervisor Diane Stevens reviewed the highlights of the final 2023-24 Annual Budget.

Public Comment: President Matakovich called for public comment, and the following commented:

- John Windsor, resident of Indian Hills

Action: Commissioner Vessley moved to adopt Resolution 23-08 approving the Fiscal Year 2023-24 Annual Budget and waived the reading; seconded by Commissioner Brandy. Resolution 23-08 was adopted by a roll call vote of 5-0.

C. Update of Policy Handbook: Review and approve proposed update to Policy 4015 – Board Officer Elections.

President Matakovich presented the item.

Public Comment: President Matakovich called for public comment, and there was none.

Action: Commissioner Brandy moved to approve the update to Policy 4015 – Board Officer Elections; seconded by Commissioner Vessely. Motion passed 5-0.

COMMUNICATIONS

President Matakovich announced that the Avila Beach Civic Association has a pancake breakfast on the 4th of July from 8:00 to 11:00, followed by the Doggie Parade at 11:00 on the Promenade; on July 20th at the San Luis Yacht Club, Pete Kelly is going to present a history of Avila and Avila Pier, a fundraising event for the Friends of Avila Pier.

Commissioner Barrow received a call from Nancy Stemper relaying her concern over a rumor about moving the Fishermen’s Memorial; he told her the District did not plan to move it.


Harbor Director Suzy Watkins informed the Board that the new furniture for the Conference Room is arriving next week; the crane on the barge at the breakwater is down for repairs and expected to resume operations before the 4th of July holiday; attended the Army Corps of Engineers Change of Command on Friday and it was good to see all of our contacts; expecting a couple of more wind energy reports to publish soon and will alert the Board as new information is available, and lastly, highly recommends the pancake breakfast.

ADJOURNMENT

The Meeting adjourned at 8:18 PM to the next regularly scheduled Meeting on Tuesday, July 25, 2023, at 6:00 PM.



Mary Matakovich, President

Attest: 

Jim Blecha, Secretary