

**Minutes
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
THURSDAY, June 7, 2018
8:45 A.M.**

50 Santa Rosa Avenue, Fifth Floor, Santa Rosa, California

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chair Hamburg at 8:45 A.M.

Present: Chair Hamburg, Directors Kearny, Hamburg, Landman, Slayter, Hopkins, Ahanotu, Peters and alternates Cook and Walter

Staff: Geof Syphers, CEO, Stephanie Reynolds, Director of Internal Operations and Steve Shupe, General Counsel

The Board moved to closed session at 8:46 AM

II. CLOSED SESSION

1. The Board of Directors of the Sonoma Clean Power Authority will consider the following in closed session: PUBLIC EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENT -- Title: General Counsel (Govt. Code Section 54957); CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS -- Agency designated representatives: Geof Syphers, CEO and Stephanie Reynolds, Director, Internal Operations, Unrepresented employee: General Counsel (Govt. Code Section 54957.6)

The Board returned from closed session at 9:35 AM

Chair Hamburg reported out of closed session and stated appointment was approved

Motion to appoint Jessica Mulan as SCPA's new General Counsel by Director Landman

Second: Director Kearny

Motion Passed: 10-0-0

III. BOARD OF DIRECTORS CONSENT CALENDAR

2. Approve May 3, 2018 minutes of the SCPA Board of Directors meeting

Director Kearny stated typo Kearns should be Kearny

Public Comment: None

Motion to approve May 3, 2018 minutes of the SCPA Board of Directors meeting with correction by Director Peters

Second: Director Hopkins

Motion passed: 8-0-2 (Alternates Cook and Walter abstained)

IV. BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR CALENDAR

3. Review and approve Employment Agreement – General Counsel

Chair Hamburg stated item 3 will be taken out of order (see item later in minutes).

4. Receive Internal Operations and Monthly Financial Report and provide direction as appropriate

Director of Internal Operations, Stephanie Reynolds introduced our new lead locally Programs Manager Chad Asay, stated the new Programs intern will start soon and new Administrative Services Officer position has been posted. She also reported on building purchase, the RFQ for architectural services, Drive EV 3.0, programs grant and financial statements.

CEO Syphers stated CalCCA is working on a joint powers agreement in order for CCAs to be able to do joint procurement and SCP staff attended the business of local energy symposium.

Director Landman asked about work being done specifically for disadvantaged communities. CEO Syphers stated he believes it is a good time to start developing feasibility grants to help start up CCAs in disadvantaged communities.

Director Slayter ask how a credit rating can help us. CEO Syphers stated it will depend on circumstances but can help reduce average costs for long term contracts and give us a stronger political position.

Public Comment:

Nina Turner, Center of Climate Protection commented if there is any plans for other programs that are serving low income.

CEO responded that SCP programs support every level of income, such as DIY Toolkits and SCP constantly asks how we can reach customers who are hard to reach. He stated SCP can always do

more and welcomes ideas.

Nelson Lomeli, Programs Specialist stated SCP recently sent mailers to customers in collaboration with Grid Alternatives to promote no-cost solar installations for low-income households.

5. Receive State Legislative and Regulatory Updates and provide direction as appropriate

CEO Syphers gave legislative updates and reviewed AB 213, AB 1088, a CPUC White paper and PCIA.

Director Peters asked how PCIA is calculated.

CEO Syphers stated he feels that the calculation is being done correctly but the formula is not accurate.

Director Slayter stated he feels the letter in Green Book is insulting, derogatory and incorrect.

Director Landman stated the councilmember legislative committee stance is oppose unless amended on SB 1088.

Director Kearny recused himself on SB 1088 discussion due to a potential conflict of interest.

Public Comment:

Duane DeWitt, Roseland resident stated he would like to see SCP support Santa Rosa "neighborhoods," a kind of heavily forested neighborhood, to reduce GHGs.

6. Approve Drive EV incentives on electric cars

Nelson Lomeli, Programs Specialist, stated incentives for Drive EV 3.0. He stated the program is very similar to previous years except CARE/FERA incentive increased, and used vehicles were added. SCP is currently in negotiation status with dealerships.

CEO Syphers stated that this should be our last Drive EV because SCP wants to focus on charging infrastructure, and because the variety of available cars continues to grow.

CM Mattinson stated the CAC unanimously recommends approval of the Drive EV incentives.

Director Kearny appreciated the outreach to Petaluma dealership and all service territory.

Director Hopkins gave an update on behalf of the Northern Sonoma County

Air Pollution Control District on changing the 3-2-1 Go Green incentive to "Go Green," changing incentive amounts and adding other limitations. She reiterated the need for public EV charging infrastructure.

Chair Hamburg stated strong support and benefits for Drive EV.

Public Comment: None

Motion to approve the Drive EV incentives on electric cars by Director Slayter.

Second: Director Kearny

Motion approved: 10-0-0

7. Approve contract with Center for Sustainable Energy (CSE) for services during Drive EV program.

Nelson Lomeli introduced contract with CSE for implementation of Drive EV 3.0 and changes to contract.

Alternate Bagby asked about application process. Nelson Lomeli explained process and issues that CSE would deal with.

Public Comment: None

Motion to approve contract with Center for Sustainable Energy (CSE) for services during Drive EV program by Director Kearny

Second: Director Peters

Motion approved: 10-0-0

3. Review and approve Employment Agreement – General Counsel

Chair Hamburg called a brief recess to review general counsel agreement changes.

Steve Shupe, General Counsel, stated the changes to employment agreement for the new General Counsel, Jessica Mullan.

Motion to approve Employment Agreement for General Counsel with stated amendments by Director Kearny.

Second: Director Peters

Motion approved: 10-0-0

8. Approve proposed budget adjustments to the FY 17-18 Budget

CEO Syphers stated adjustments to current fiscal year budget are mainly for the funds to purchase a building, but taking the opportunity to update

electricity sales and expenses too. Budget adjustment for next year will be brought up once costs for the building renovation have been estimated.

Public Comment: None

Motion to approve proposed budget adjustments to the FY 17-18 Budget by Director Kearny

Second: Director Ahanotu

Motion approved: 10-0-0

9. Approve of contract with California Energy Commission and related contracts with Frontier Energy and DNV-GL

Rachel Kuykendall, Programs Manager presented background, contract specifications and minor changes that will occur before finalizing contracts.

Director Slayter asked for clarification on contracts

Rachel Kuykendall stated 1/3 of funds are for applied research and 2/3 for deployment. She explained applied research is researching benefits of advance energy equipment and materials, and deployment is having the physical storefront to help customers and contractors.

CM Brophy stated he will abstain because of previous relationship with DNV-GL.

Public Comment: None

Motion to approve contract with CEC and related contracts with Frontier Energy and DNV-GL subject to minor non-budget amendments as approved by General Counsel by Director Peters

Second: Director Landman

Motion approved: 9-0-1

V. BOARD MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS

Director Peters stated Fort Bragg now has two new EV chargers.

Director Slayter stated Sebastopol is working on a parking ordinance to include EV standards and encourages other to do the same.

Director Harrington stated she is working with James Gore and will be holding a summit to bring agencies together. She is hoping SCP can be involved.

VI. PUBLIC COMMENT ON MATTERS NOT LISTED ON THE AGENDA

Mr. Turgeon, SCP Costumer and Friends of the Santa Rosa Climate Action Plan Member, stated gratitude towards Sonoma Clean Power and hopes that SCP can have a representative next Thursday at CEC symposium. He stated FOCAP is looking to help get cities to upgrade to EverGreen.

VII. ADJOURN (11:14 AM)

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