## MINUTES

Workshop Meeting Laguna Madre Water District Board of Directors Wednesday, April 14, 2021 4:40 PM – 5:36 PM Board Room

1	QUORUM	
	PRESENT: Vice-Chairman, Adam Lalonde Secretary, Jason Starkey Director, William Donahue Director, David Boughter  ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF: General Manager, Carlos J. Galvan, Jr. Director of Operations, Robert Gomez District Engineer, Charles Ortiz Director of Finance, Eduardo Salazar Purchasing Agent, Enrique Samaniego Attorney, Brian Hansen	
	ABSENT: Chairman, Scott Friedman  The 4:30 PM meeting began at 4:40 PM when there was a quorum	
2	INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE	
	The meeting began at <b>4:40 PM</b> with the Pledge of Allegiance and an Opening Prayer by C. Galvan	
3	DISCUSS SEAWATER DESALINATION	
	DISCUSSION:	
	<ul> <li>A Powerpoint Presentation by Freese and Nichols Representatives         Jorge Arroyo and Jason Cocklyn on Laguna Madre Water District —         Developing New Water Supplies     </li> </ul>	WORKSHOP MEETING DISCUSSION
	The following topics discussed:	ITEM ONLY
	Membrane Water Treatment	
	<ul> <li>Advantages: Water quality, Modular design, Space efficiency</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Disadvantages: Energy use and costly</li> </ul>	
	o Seawater Desalination	
	<ul> <li>Water Supply Reliability through Seawater</li> <li>Desalination</li> </ul>	

	Feasibility and Pilot Studies	
	<ul> <li>Question: What is the Engineering Cost? Response:</li> <li>About 5 Million</li> </ul>	
i	<ul> <li>Question: What gets you that 20MGD? Answer: \$220</li> <li>Million; that's construction and non-construction. \$3</li> <li>to \$4 per 1,000 gallons</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Project Financing</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Project Timing</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Laguna Madre Water District conducted the first desalination pilot plant project for the state of texas</li> </ul>	
	o Potable Reuse	
	<ul> <li>Port Isabel Wastewater Treatment Facility</li> <li>Reclamation Project</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>The first one in the Valley</li> </ul>	
i	■ Total Project Cost \$16 Million	
	<ul> <li>A good funding opportunity</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Cost Share Eligibility</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>District responsibility 75% (minus \$4 Million)</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>April 23, 2021, deadline to apply for the funding opportunity program</li> </ul>	
	o Seawater Desalination – 2010 Bond Authorization	
	■ Engineering Report Letter for Attorney General	
	<ul> <li>Enable use of authorized bonds</li> </ul>	
	Relocate to Port Isabel	
4	DISCUSS DISTRICT'S ELIGIBILITY FOR FUNDING OPPORTUNITY NO. R21A500429 WATER SMART: TITLE XVI WIIN WATER RECLAMATION AND REUSE PROJECTS	WORKSHOP MEETING DISCUSSION
	DISCUSSION:	ITEM ONLY
	<ul> <li>C. Ortiz noted the Board needs to authorize to proceed with the Watersmart funding opportunity for water reclamation and reuse project under the XVI water reclamation and reuse program for a proposed Port Isabel water reclamation facility</li> </ul>	
	Authorization by the Board through a resolution at the next Board of Directors Meeting scheduled today after Workshop	
	The Board acknowledged the funding opportunity for Water Reclamation and Reused Project under the Title XVI Water	

	Reclamation and Reuse Program for a proposed Port Isabel Water Reclamation Facility	
5	ADJOURNMENT  The VICE-CHAIRMAN adjourned the meeting at 5:36 PM.	MEETING ADJOURNED @ 5:36 PM

ADAM LALONDE, VICE-CHAIRMAN

JASON STARKEY, SECRETARY

MINUTES APPROVED THIS  $\underline{28^{\text{TH DAY}}}$  OF  $\underline{APRIL}$  2021.