





**MINUTES**  
 Regular Meeting  
 Laguna Madre Water District  
 Board of Directors  
 Wednesday, July 28, 2021  
 5:30 PM – 6:49 PM  
 Board Room

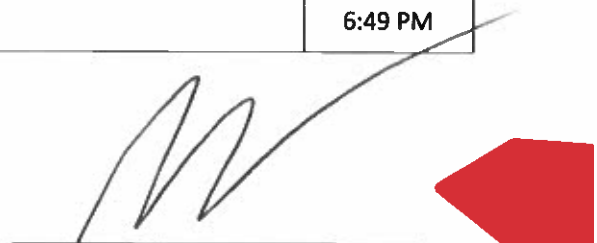
1	<p><b><u>QUORUM</u></b></p> <p><b>PRESENT:</b>          Chairman, Scott Friedman          Vice-Chairman, Adam Lalonde          Director, William "Bill" Donahue          Director, Dave Boughter</p> <p style="text-align: center;"> arrived at 5:34 PM</p> <p><b><u>ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF</u></b>          General Manager, Carlos J. Galvan, Jr.          Director of Operations, Robert Gomez          Director of Finance, Eduardo Salazar          District Engineer, Charles Ortiz          Information Tech Specialist, Orlando Huerta          Purchasing Agent, Enrique Samaniego          Attorney, Brian Hansen</p> <p><b>ABSENT:</b>          Secretary, Jason Starkey</p>	
2	<p><b><u>PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND INVOCATION</u></b></p> <p>The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance, and C. Ortiz said the Opening Prayer</p>	
3	<p><b><u>INVITATION TO THE AUDIENCE FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS</u></b></p> <p><b>COMMENTS:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• C. Galvan notified the Insurance Committee Members (S. Friedman and W. Donahue) about scheduling a brief meeting, possibly through ZOOM (before the Regular Meeting on August 11), to review the assignment of appeal by Greg Klement</li> <li>• C. Ortiz noted the District would not receive an invitation to apply for funding through the SFY 2022 Drinking Water State Revolving Fund. A recommendation is to proceed with open market financing. Printed copies handed out for review</li> <li>• D. Boughter asked if the District offered some deduction (a break) to Non-Profit Organizations, for example, a church, or requested to look into another water district on what they offer. C. Galvan noted the District is a Non-Profit Organization. However, we do have agreements with the cities to work on their water usage. On the other hand, as far as working with a Non-Profit Organization (a church), the District has not done that</li> </ul>	<b>PUBLIC COMMENTS</b>
4	<p><b><u>CONSIDER AND DISCUSS FOR POSSIBLE APPROVAL THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING FROM JULY 14TH, 2021. (C. GALVAN) 💧</u></b></p>	<b>MOTION CARRIED</b>

	<p><b>DISCUSSION:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Board approved the Regular Meeting Minutes as presented</li> </ul> <p>Moved by W. DONAHUE, seconded by D. BOUGHTER.</p> <p>Motion: Move to approve.</p>	
5	<p><b><u>GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT</u></b> 💧</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><u>RESERVOIR LEVELS</u></li> <li><u>SUMMER PICNIC</u></li> <li><u>INSURANCE COMMITTEE</u></li> <li><u>WATER LEAK REPORTS</u></li> </ul> <p><b>REPORT:</b></p> <p><u>RESERVOIR LEVELS</u> - C. Galvan noted the reservoir and lakes levels remain at 39.96 combined. Therefore, the District will continue with the water restrictions.</p> <p><u>SUMMER PICNIC</u> - The Summer Event is on Sunday, September 5, 2021, at Beach Park at Isla Blanca</p> <p><u>INSURANCE COMMITTEE</u> - C. Galvan will contact Committee Members to schedule a meeting</p> <p><u>WATER LEAK REPORTS</u> – The leak under the Causeway was revealed to be a small leak. A snooper truck is needed. The cost for the snooper truck is about \$14,000 for the week, working on getting one hopefully from this state at a lower price.</p> <p>The other leak is from a 36" line coming from Whipple Road on the Raw Waterside. The leak seems to be coming from the East Rio Hondo Water Supply water line and not the District's.</p>	GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT
6	<p><b><u>CONSIDER AND DISCUSS FOR POSSIBLE APPROVAL BOARD TRAVEL TO ATTEND AWBD 2022 MIDWINTER CONFERENCE JANUARY 28TH – JANUARY 29TH IN GALVESTON, TEXAS. (C. GALVAN)</u></b> 💧</p> <p><b>DISCUSSION:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Board approved travel for Board Members interested in attending the conference</li> <li>Board Members interested in going let Mr. Galvan know</li> </ul> <p>Moved by A. LALONDE, seconded by D. BOUGHTER.</p> <p>Motion: Move to approve.</p>	MOTION CARRIED
7	<p><b><u>CONSIDER AND DISCUSS FOR RATIFICATION OF PAYMENT TO PURCHASE TWO HIGH SERVICE PUMPS FOR WATER PLANT 2. (E. SAMANIEGO)</u></b> 💧</p> <p><b>DISCUSSION:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>C. Galvan noted once all six pumps are received, they will be on rotation</li> <li>The Board agreed on ratification of payment</li> <li>The purchase is from Precision Pump Systems for \$93,395</li> </ul>	MOTION CARRIED

	<p>Moved by D. BOUGHTER, seconded by W. DONAHUE.</p> <p>Motion: Move to approve.</p>	
8	<p><b><u>CONSIDER AND DISCUSS FOR POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF BUDGET AMENDMENT FOR SEWER INFRASTRUCTURE (FUND 35) AND LIFT STATION REHABILITATION (FUND 39).</u></b> (C. ORTIZ) </p> <p>DISCUSSION:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Budget amendment is to add another Lift Station</li> <li>• Lift Station 35 got added to the Lift Station Rehabilitation Fund</li> <li>• The Board approved the Budget Amendment as presented</li> </ul> <p>Moved by W. DONAHUE, seconded by A. LALONDE.</p> <p>Motion: Move to approve.</p>	MOTION CARRIED
9	<p><b><u>CONSIDER AND DISCUSS FOR POSSIBLE AWARD OF AMENDED CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT FOR LIFT STATION REHABILITATION PROJECT NO. 1 (BID NO. LS 21-3-01).</u></b> (C. ORTIZ) </p> <p>DISCUSSION:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bid award recommendation: Mor-Wil, LLC, including Alternate Bid No. 1 for \$3,894,259.83</li> <li>• The Board agreed and approved the amended construction contract</li> </ul> <p>Moved by A. LALONDE, seconded by W. DONAHUE.</p> <p>Motion: Move to approve.</p>	MOTION CARRIED
10	<p><b><u>CONSIDER AND REVIEW EXPENDITURES FROM JULY 1ST, 2021 – JULY 15TH, 2021.</u></b> (C. GALVAN) </p> <p>DISCUSSION:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Board accepted the expenditures as presented</li> </ul> <p>Expenditures acknowledged by D. BOUGHTER, A. LALONDE, and W. DONAHUE.</p>	ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF EXPENDITURES
11	<p><b><u>CONSIDER AND REMOVE FROM THE TABLE THE FOLLOWING EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEM TABLED AT THE REGULAR MEETING ON JULY 14TH, 2021:</u></b></p> <p><b><u>DELIBERATION REGARDING THE EVALUATION OF DISTRICT EMPLOYEE TO WIT: GENERAL MANAGER</u></b></p> <p>DISCUSSION:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Board removed the item from the table for discussion</li> </ul>	MOTION CARRIED

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Board agreed to wait for an entire Board to be present and retable for the next regularly scheduled meeting</li> </ul> <p>Moved by A. LALONDE, seconded by D. BOUGHTER.</p> <p>Motion: Move to remove.</p>	
12	<p><u>EXECUTIVE SESSION PERMITTED BY THE OPEN MEETING ACT, V. T. C. A., GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 551.001 E. SEQ., UNDER SECTION 551.071, CONSULTATION WITH ATTORNEY; UNDER SECTION 551.074 PERSONNEL MATTER:</u></p> <p><u>DELIBERATION REGARDING THE EVALUATION OF DISTRICT EMPLOYEES TO WIT: GENERAL MANAGER</u></p> <p>This item was not discussed and deferred to the next regularly scheduled meeting on August 11, 2021.</p> <p>CHAIRMAN ENTERTAINED MOTION: TO TABLE UNTIL ENTIRE BOARD IS PRESENT</p> <p>A. LALONDE made a motion to table the executive session item, seconded by D. BOUGHTER.</p>	TABLED
13	<p><u>CONSIDERATION AND ACTION ON EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEMS, IF NECESSARY.</u></p> <p>The item was not discussed. See above (item 12) for more details</p>	NO ACTION
14	<p><u>ADJOURNMENT</u></p> <p>There being no further business, the CHAIRMAN adjourned the meeting at 6:49 PM.</p>	MEETING ADJOURNED @ 6:49 PM

  
 JASON STARKEY, SECRETARY

  
 SCOTT FRIEDMAN, CHAIRMAN

MINUTES APPROVED THIS 11<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF AUGUST 2021.