

**MINUTES OF WORKSHOP MEETING**  
**BOARD OF DIRECTORS**  
**LAGUNA MADRE WATER DISTRICT**

The **WORKSHOP MEETING** of the **LAGUNA MADRE WATER DISTRICT** was held at the Administration Office of the District, 105 Port Road, Port Isabel, Texas on **10<sup>th</sup> day of DECEMBER 2014** at the hour of **5:00 p.m.** pursuant to written notice as presented by law.

**ITEM #1**            **QUORUM**

The **CHAIRMAN** called the **WORKSHOP MEETING** to order at **5:00 p.m.** and he determined the Notice of the Meeting had been duly posted in accordance with the law and the following present constituted a quorum:

***BOARD OF DIRECTORS***

Jeff Keplinger – Chairman  
Whitey Thomas – Vice Chairman  
Nancy Martinez – Secretary  
Scott Friedman – Director                            **ABSENT**  
Rick Wells – Director

***ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF***

Carlos J. Galvan, Jr. – General Manager  
Victor Valdez – Director of Operations  
Charles Ortiz – District Engineer  
Belen Peña – Interim Director of Finance – Staff Accountant

LMWD: Joel Lopez, Distribution Manager

**ITEM #2**            **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The **CHAIRMAN** invited everyone in the audience to recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ITEM #3**            **DISCUSS THE DISTRICT'S NEW WATER & WASTEWATER RATE SCHEDULE FOR RESOLUTION NO. 112-10-14**

The **BOARD** discussed the District's proposed new water & wastewater rate schedule for Resolution No. 112-10-14. The **CHAIRMAN** stated the actual increase is not 40% percent of the total bill; it's an increase of 40% only on the minimum. A 1" meter will increase a total of \$12.83 per month, still keeping a 6,000 gallons per month minimum; a 2" meter will increase a total of \$74.15 per month, still keeping a 26,000 gallon per month minimum; a 4" meter will increase a total of \$216.91 per month keeping 101,000 gallons minimum; a 6" meter will increase a total of \$384.00 per month keeping a 101,000 gallons minimum; the 8" and 10" meters will increase \$496.00 per month keeping a 101,000 gallons minimum. The standard residential 5/8" meters will not increase.

Pamela Cody with the Port Isabel-South Padre Press addressed the Board regarding the District's rate increase.

The District plans to give notice of the new water and wastewater rates increase effective January 1, 2015 by individually mailing all LMWD's customers.

The District's new water and wastewater rates schedule supported by Resolution No. 112-10-14 will be presented to the **BOARD** for approval at the following Regular Board of Director's Meeting amending the Water and Wastewater Rates effective January 1, 2015.

**ITEM #4      ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by **MR. THOMAS** to adjourn the Workshop Meeting at **5:15 p.m.**; seconded by **MR. WELLS**.

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**JEFF KEPLINGER, CHAIRMAN**

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MINUTES APPROVED THIS \_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_ 2015.