

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
LAGUNA MADRE WATER DISTRICT

The **REGULAR MEETING** of the **LAGUNA MADRE WATER DISTRICT** was held at the Administration Office of the District at 105 Port Road, Port Isabel, Texas on the **26th day of March 2014** at the hour of **6:00 p.m.**, pursuant to written notice as prescribed by law.

ITEM #1 **QUORUM**

The **CHAIRMAN** called the meeting to order 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

Scott Friedman – Chairman
Whitey William J. Thomas – Vice Chairman
Robert Vela – Secretary
Jeff Keplinger – Director
Rudy H. Garcia – Director

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

Carlos J. Galvan, Jr. – General Manager
Charles Ortiz – District Engineer
Victor Valdez – Director of Operations
Robert Gomez – Director of Finance
Juan Magallanes – Attorney

ITEM #2 **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

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

ITEM #3 **INVITATION TO AUDIENCE FOR DISCUSSION**

The **CHAIRMAN** asked if anyone in the audience would like to address the **BOARD**. Mr. Richard Ramirez, Board Member for Long Island Village Golf Course, addressed the **BOARD** stating they support of the Reclamation Project to irrigate Long Island Village Golf Course.

ITEM #4 **CONSIDER AND APPROVE MINUTES FOR REGULAR MEETING OF FEBRUARY 26, 2014**

A motion was made by **MR. GARCIA** to approve Minutes for Regular Meeting of February 26, 2014 as submitted, seconded by **MR. KEPLINGER**. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

ITEM #5 **CONSIDER AND REMOVE FROM THE TABLE THE FOLLOWING ITEM TABLED ON THE BOARD MEETING OF FEBRUARY 12, 2014**

CONSIDER AND APPROVE AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES WITH CAROLLO ENGINEERS, INC. FOR PORT ISABEL WATER RECLAMATION FACILITY

A motion was made by **MR. KEPLINGER** to remove item from the table for discussion, seconded by **MR. THOMAS. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

ITEM #6 **CONSIDER AND APPROVE AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES WITH CAROLLO ENGINEERS, INC. FOR PORT ISABEL WATER RECLAMATION FACILITY**

Motion died for lack of a second.

ITEM #7 **CONSIDER AND APPROVE PURCHASE OF MOTOR OPERATED CONTROL VALVES FOR LAGUNA VISTA WWTP REUSE WATER IMPROVEMENTS**

A motion was made by **MR. THOMAS** to approve purchase of motor operated control valves for Laguna Vista WWTP Reuse Water Improvements, seconded by **MR. GARCIA. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

ITEM #8 **CONSIDER AND APPROVE BUDGET AMENDMENTS AS OF FEBRUARY 28, 2014**

A motion was made by **MR. GARCIA** to approve Budget Amendment as of February 28, 2014 as submitted, seconded by **MR. KEPLINGER. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

ITEM #9 **CONSIDER AND APPROVE FINANCIAL REPORT AS OF FEBRUARY 28, 2014**

A motion was made by **MR. KEPLINGER** to approve Financial Report as of February 28, 2014 as submitted, seconded by **MR. VELA. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

ITEM #10 **CONSIDER AND APPROVE DISBURSEMENTS**

A motion was made by **MR. VELA** to approve Disbursements as submitted, seconded by **MR. GARCIA. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

ITEM #11 **GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT**

- A. UPCOMING WORKSHOPS**
- B. UPCOMING CONFERENCES**

MR. GALVAN suggested possibly scheduling a Water & Sewer Rate Study and RO Projects Workshop and scheduled for Saturday, April 26, 2014 @ 9:00 am.

MR. GALVAN informed the **BOARD** of the dates for upcoming conferences; registrations will be made for the AWBD Conference in June and the TCDRS Conference in July.

ITEM #12 **DISTRICT ENGINEER'S REPORT**

- A. LIFT STATION NO. 19 EXPANSION**
- B. CUATES PUMP STATION AND PIPELINE REHABILITATION**
- C. WATER PLANT 2 MICROFILTRATION IMPROVEMENTS**
- D. SERIES 2007 AND SERIES 2012 BONDS PROJECTS BALANCE UPDATE**

MR. ORTIZ handed out printed copies of an updated spread sheet and briefly reviewing and discussing: the Lift Station No. 19 Expansion; Cuates Pump Station and Pipeline Rehabilitation; Water Plant 2 Microfiltration Improvements; and Series 2007 and Series 2012 Bonds Project Balance Update.

ITEM #13 EXECUTIVE SESSION PERMITTED BY THE OPEN MEETING ACT, V.T.C.A., GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 551.001 ET SEQ., UNDER SECTION 551.071 (1) (A), CONSULTATION WITH ATTORNEY; SECTION 551.072, DELIBERATION ABOUT PENDING LITIGATION;

A. DISCUSS LIQUIDATED DAMAGES FOR WATER PLANT 2 MICROFILTRATION IMPROVEMENTS OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE BUILDING

A motion was made by *MR. THOMAS* for the *BOARD* to go into executive session at 6:40 pm, seconded by *MR. VELA*. *MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.*

A motion was made by *MR. THOMAS* for the *BOARD* to come out of executive session at 7:09 pm, seconded by *MR. KEPLINGER*. *MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.*

ITEM #19 CONSIDERATION AND ACTION ON EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEMS, IF NECESSARY

The *CHAIRMAN* stated NO ACTION TAKEN ON EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEM.

ITEM #20 ADJOURNMENT

The *CHAIRMAN* adjourned the meeting at 7:10 p.m.

SCOTT FRIEDMAN, CHAIRMAN

ROBERT VELA, SECRETARY

MINUTES APPROVED THIS _____ DAY OF _____ 2014.