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Regular Meeting Laguna Madre Water District Board of Directors Wednesday, June 23, 2021 5:30 PM – 5:50 PM

Board Room 1 QUORUM PRESENT: Chairman, Scott Friedman Secretary, Jason Starkey Director, William "Bill" Donahue Director, Dave Boughter **ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF** 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 ABSENT Vice-Chairman, Adam Lalonde 2 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND INVOCATION The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance, and C. Galvan said the Opening Prayer 3 **INVITATION TO THE AUDIENCE FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS PUBLIC COMMENTS: COMMENTS** C. Galvan extended birthday wishes to Board Members: Jason Starkey (on June 15), Willam Donahue, and Scott Friedman (on June 26). The Board also wished Carlos Galvan Birthday wishes, who turned 61 (on June 22) C. Galvan announced inviting the Board to the upcoming Employee Summer Picnic. The planning is still in the works; the employees will elect one of three different locations R. Gomez reported the project started for customer testing lead and copper and sent the surveys with the water bills. Also, posted surveys on Facebook 4 MOTION CONSIDER AND DISCUSS FOR POSSIBLE APPROVAL THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING CARRIED FROM JUNE 9, 2021. (C. GALVAN) DISCUSSION: The Board approved the Regular Meeting Minutes as presented

	Moved by W. DONAHUE, seconded by D. BOUGHTER.	
	Motion: Move to approve.	
5	GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT ■ RESERVOIR LEVELS ■ EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION	GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT
	REPORT:	
	<u>RESERVOIR LEVELS</u> - C. Galvan noted the reservoir and lakes levels went up 1% from 39.5% to 40.5% combined. So the levels are slowly going up; it's a good sign. The District will continue conservation measures to try and conserve as much as possible.	
	C. Galvan reported on Water Consumption a comparison on account of the drought management procedures to conserve water. As a result, the water consumption was lower for May 2021 (98 million gallons) than May 2020 (113 million gallons).	
	<u>EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION -</u> The following Employees successfully acquired a license: Joseph Moncivaiz Wastewater Treatment Plant acquired a "B" License, Brandon Ramirez acquired a "C" License, and Federico Cantu acquired a Class "D" license.	
6	CONSIDER AND DISCUSS THE POSSIBLE RENEWAL AGREEMENT APPROVAL WITH ESTRADA HINOJOSA & COMPANY, INC. FOR FINANCIAL ADVISORY SERVICES. (C. GALVAN)	MOTION CARRIED
	DISCUSSION:	
	 If accepted, C. Galvan noted this agreement would remain in effect for five (5) years; however, it may be terminated with or without cause upon thirty-day written notice 	
	Rates remain the same	
	The Board agreed and accepted a five-year agreement	
	Moved by J. STARKEY, seconded by W. DONAHUE.	
	Motion: Move to approve.	
7	CONSIDER AND DISCUSS FOR POSSIBLE ASSIGNMENT OF APPEAL BY GREG KLEMENT OF RFQ #INS-01-31-21 TO INSURANCE COMMITTEE FOR REVIEW. (E. SALAZAR)	
	DISCUSSION:	
	B. Hansen requested the Insurance Committee / Appeal Committee (S. Friedman and W. Donahue) to set a date and time	
	 The Committee agreed on an appeal date for July 1, 2021, at 10 AM, held at LMWD Conference Room 	
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8	CONSIDER AND REVIEW EXPENDITURES FROM JUNE 1, 2021 – JUNE 15, 2021. (C. GALVAN)	ACKNOWLEDGMENT
	DISCUSSION:	OF EXPENDITURES
	The Board accepted the expenditures as presented	
	Expenditures acknowledged by J. STARKEY and D. BOUGHTER.	
9		MOTION
	CONSIDER AND REMOVE FROM THE TABLE THE FOLLOWING EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEM TABLED AT THE REGULAR MEETING ON JUNE 9, 2021:	CARRIED
	DELIBERATION REGARDING THE EVALUATION OF DISTRICT EMPLOYEE TO WIT: GENERAL MANAGER	
	DISCUSSION:	
	The Board removed the item from the table for discussion	
	 The Board agreed to wait for an entire Board to be present and retable for the next regularly scheduled meeting 	
	Moved by J. STARKEY, seconded by W. DONAHUE.	
	Motion: Move to remove.	
10	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:	TABLED
	DELIBERATION REGARDING THE EVALUATION OF DISTRICT EMPLOYEES TO WIT: GENERAL MANAGER	
	This item was not discussed and deferred to the next regularly scheduled meeting on July 14, 2021.	
	CHAIRMAN ENTERTAINED MOTION: TO TABLE UNTIL ENTIRE BOARD IS PRESENT	•
	J. STARKEY made a motion to table the executive session item, seconded by W. DONAHUE.	
11	CONSIDERATION AND ACTION ON EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEMS, IF NECESSARY.	
	This item was not discussed. See above (item 10) for more details	
12	ADJOURNMENT There being no further business, the CHAIRMAN adjourned the meeting at 5:50 PM.	MEETING ADJOURNED @
		5:50 PM

SCOTT FRIEDMAN, CHAIRMAN

WILLIAM DONAHUE, DIRECTOR

MINUTES APPROVED THIS 14TH DAY OF JULY 2021.