## **MINUTES**

Workshop Meeting
Laguna Madre Water District
Board of Directors
Wednesday, February 05, 2020
4:30 PM – 5:26 PM
Board Room

1	QUORUM	
	PRESENT:	
	Chairman, Scott Friedman	
	Vice-Chairman, Herb Houston	
	Secretary, Alex Avalos	75
	Director, Jason Starkey	
	Director, Adam Lalonde	
	ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF:	
	General Manager, Carlos J. Galvan, Jr.	
	Director of Operations, Robert Gomez	
	District Engineer, Charles Ortiz	
Ì	Purchasing Agent, Enrique Samaniego	
	Director of Finance, Eddie Salazar	
1.0	Agenda items presented as follows: 1,2, <u>4.3</u> ,5	
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2	INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE	
	The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance and an Opening Prayer by C. Galvan	
3	PRESENT VIDEOS OF LAGUNA MADRE WATER DISTRICT'S WATER SYSTEM	
	DISCUSSION:	WORKSHOP MEETING
	The Board viewed the final video prepared regarding the 2020 Tax Bond	DISCUSSION
	Project Proposal.	ITEM ONLY
	The District posted the video on the District's website	J. Sile
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4	PRESENTATION BY MCCALL PARKHURST & HORTON FOR THE PROPOSITION OF MAY 2020 BOND ELECTION	
	DISCUSSION:	
	McCall Parkhurst & Horton Representative, Mr. Noel Valdez, presented the	
	procedures for the order calling a Bond Election for the Laguna Madre Water	
	District and other requirements related	
	N. Valdez noted he met with the Bond Committee on January 20 <sup>th</sup> and	WORKSHOP MEETING
	presented different scenarios about the use of District Resources being used	DISCUSSION
	to advocate for the Bond Election. N. Valdez also noted, the purpose of the	ITEM
	Bond Committee is for them to be advocates and give passage for the Bond.	ONLY
	<ul> <li>There was a discussion regarding the Proposition language, the amount on</li> </ul>	
	the proposition, and how the Ballot is going to read	

	<ul> <li>N. Valdez noted later today at the 5:30 PM, Board of Directors Regular Meeting, the Board will consider calling the May 2020 Bond Election as an official action. This action will determine the voting of the projects and the amount. Also, for a joint election, the District authorized an agreement with Cameron County to hold the Bond Election for the District.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Estrada Hinojosa Investment Bankers Representative, Mr. Noe Hinojosa, discussed the financing procedures of \$27,620,000 for the Bond Projects and the possible interest rate of the bonds. Discussion ensued regarding the estimated rate of 4.00% and how the actual interest rate will get determined closer to funding</li> </ul>	
	There was a discussion on Political Advertising. N. Valdez noted the state law says the District cannot use District resources in the advocacy of passage or non-passage of a measure. The Texas Ethics Commission enforces this law.	
86	<ul> <li>N. Valdez noted the District's videos and printed information could only state facts regarding the bond projects. Discussion ensued on different scenarios on factual information and how to keep the District safe in using District's Resources.</li> </ul>	20
5	ADJOURNMENT	
	There being no further business, the CHAIRMAN adjourned the meeting at 5:26 PM.	
	Moved by J. STARKEY, seconded by A. LALONDE.	

SCOTT FRIEDMAN, CHAIRMAN

ALEX'AVALOS, SECRETARY

MINUTES APPROVED THIS  $5^{\text{TH DAY}}$  OF <u>FEBRUARY</u> 2020.