MINUTES

Regular Meeting
Laguna Madre Water District
Board of Directors
Wednesday, September 25, 2019
5:30 PM – 6:00 PM
Board Room

1	QUORUM PRESENT: Chairman, Scott Friedman Vice-Chairman, Herb Houston Secretary, Alex Avalos Director, Jason Starkey Director, Adam Lalonde	
	ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF: General Manager, Carlos J. Galvan, Jr. Director of Operations, Robert Gomez District Engineer, Charles Ortiz Purchasing Agent, Enrique Samaniego Director of Finance, Eddie Salazar Attorney, Brian Hansen	
2	INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance and Opening Prayer	
3	INVITATION TO THE AUDIENCE FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS COMMENTS: No one in the audience responded. No comments from the Board or Staff	
4	CONSIDER AND DISCUSS FOR POSSIBLE APPROVAL THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING ON SEPTEMBER 12, 2019. (c. GALVAN) DISCUSSION: Regular Meeting Minutes approved Moved by H. HOUSTON, seconded by A. LALONDE. Move to approve.	MOTION CARRIED
5	GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT AUDIO AND VIDEO PRESENTATION RESCHEDULE OCTOBER 9 TH REGULAR MEETING REPORT:	GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

	AUDIO AND VIDEO PRESENTATION	
	Reviewed Video and needs improvements	
	 Meeting with the producer on Tuesday, Oct. 2, 2019, @ 9 Am ✓ Request: Email video to the Board 	
	RESCHEDULE OCTOBER 9 TH REGULAR MEETING	
	 Staff is meeting with Texas Water Developing Board on October 10, 2019, in Austin, Texas 	
	 Staff will travel on the 9th, no evening flights available 	
	✓ Board agreed to cancel the meeting on October 9 th	
	 Discussion on possibly changing the day of the regularly scheduled meetings or change the time because of a schedule conflict with the meetings scheduled on Wednesdays at 5:30 PM 	
	✓ Board agreed to change the time of the meeting from 5:30 PM to 4:30 PM for the Regular Meeting on October 23, 2019	
6	DISTRICT ENGINEER'S REPORT ♠	
	CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT	DISTRICT
	REPORT:	ENGINEER'S
	 Review of the Capital Projects, a followup from the last meeting to have a one- page spreadsheet followed by questions and answers 	REPORT
	 Tank scenarios under analysis on October 9th 	
:	 Lift Station Rehab and Isla Blanca Wastewater Treatment Plant scheduled for October 7th 	
	 Reviews more complete for the regular meeting on October 23, 2019 	
	 Question: For the Contingencies, is that normal for a project like this? First time to see that kind of reference and range. It's Freese and Nichols methodology for how they report their estimates 	
	The spreadsheet needs more work	
	Possibly schedule a Bond Planning Committee meeting for October 15 th	
7	CONSIDER AND DISCUSS FOR POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF ABANDONMENT AND RELOCATION OF UTILITY EASEMENT FOR COLUMBIA PADRE BOULEVARD, LLC AT LOTS ONE (1), TWO (2), THREE (3), FOUR (4) AND LOT NINE (9), BLOCK NUMBER NINETY SIX (96), PADRE BEACH, SECTION VII, CITY OF SOUTH PADRE ISLAND, CAMERON COUNTY, TEXAS. (C. ORTIZ)	MOTION CARRIED
	DISCUSSION:	
	 Some changes made to the site plan. Will not sign off on the plat until they have the water line in place. 	**
	First motion amended to include the subject letter clause extension for a required water line extension to maintain services to lot 5, 6, 7, and 8	

The motion moved to approve. 8		Amended motion moved by H. HOUSTON, seconded by A. AVALOS.	
8 CONSIDER AND DISCUSS FOR POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF AUDIT ENGAGEMENT LETTER FROM CARR, RIGGS & INGRAM, LLC WITH LAGUNA MADRE WATER DISTRICT FOR AN AUDIT OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2019. [€. SALAZAR] DISCUSSION: • The Audit Engagement Letter is a standard letter done before every audit • Board approved Moved by H. HOUSTON, seconded by J. STARKEY. The motion moved to approve. 9 CONSIDER AND DISCUSS FOR POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF THE FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR JULY 2019. [€. SALAZAR] DISCUSSION: • No discussion • Board approved as presented Moved by A. AVALOS, seconded by A. LALONDE. Motion moved to approve. 10 CONSIDER AND DISCUSS FOR POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF WORKERS' COMPENSATION, LIABILITY, AND PROPERTY INSURANCE PROPOSALS FOR THE COVERAGE PERIOD 2019-2020. [€. SAMANIEGO] MOTION CARRIED		!	
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Staff recommendations:		~	5
Workers' Compensation Insurance- Texas Insurance for \$38,251.00			
o Liability and Property insurance- Texas Municipal League for \$71,591.00			
o Total \$109,842.00			
Question: What was paid last year? \$109,086.00			
Moved by A. AVALOS, seconded by A. LALONDE.		Moved by A. AVALOS, seconded by A. LALONDE.	
Motion moved to approve.		Motion moved to approve.	

	CONSIDER AND DISCUSS FOR POSSIBLE RATIFICATION OF ROOF REPAIR PAYMENT FOR CUSTOMER SERVICE ENTRANCE AND DRIVE -THROUGH. (E. SAMANIEGO) ♠	
	DISCUSSION:	MOTION CARRIED
	The quote was rejected on April 10, 2019, because of the high price	CARRIED
	Due to the urgent nature of repairs, renegotiated the price but unforeseen labor cost increased the price	
	 Quote amount \$9,558.00 plus Metal Roof (unforeseen labor) \$825.00, total \$10,383.00 	
	 The roof tiles were falling off at the drive-through and customer entrance posing a safety risk to customers and causing water damages to the building 	
	Board approved	
	Moved by J. STARKEY, seconded by A. LALONDE.	
	Motion moved to ratify.	
•	CONSIDER AND REVIEW EXPENDITURES FROM SEPTEMBER 1 – SEPTEMBER 15, 2019. (C. GALVAN) ♦	
	DISCUSSION:	ACKNOWLEDGME
	No comments or questions	OF EXPENDITURE
	Expenditures acknowledged by J.STARKEY and seconded by H. HOUSTON.	
13	EXECUTIVE SESSION PERMITTED BY THE OPEN MEETING ACT, V. T. C. A.,	NO
	GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 551.001 ET. SEQ., UNDER SECTION 551.071,	EXECUTIVE
	CONSULTATION WITH ATTORNEY: •	SESSION
	UPDATE ON LEGAL MATTERS CONCERNING RATEPAYERS APPEAL OF THE RAW WATER RATE	
	No discussion. The CHAIRMAN noted no Executive Session.	
14	CONSIDERATION AND ACTION ON EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEM, IF NECESSARY.	NO
	UPDATE ON LEGAL MATTERS CONCERNING RATEPAYERS APPEAL OF THE RAW WATER	EXECUTIVE
	RATE	SESSION
	The CHAIRMAN noted no Executive Session.	
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5	ADJOURNMENT	
,	There being no further business the Chairman adjourned the meeting at 6 PM	ADJOURNED

Scott D. Friedman, Chairman

Alex Avalos, Secretary

MINUTES APPROVED THIS 23RD DAY OF OCTOBER 2019.