


**MINUTES**  
 Regular Meeting  
 Laguna Madre Water District  
 Board of Directors  
 Wednesday, January 25, 2023  
 5:30 PM – 5:47 PM  
 Board Room

1	<p><b><u>QUORUM</u></b></p> <p>Chairman, Scott Friedman          Vice-Chairman, Adam Lalonde          Secretary Jason Starkey          Director William "Bill" Donahue          Director Dave Boughter</p> <p style="text-align: center;"></p> <p><b><u>ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF</u></b></p> <p>General Manager, Carlos J. Galvan, Jr.          Director of Operations, Robert Gomez          District Engineer, Charles Ortiz          Director of Finance, Eduardo Salazar          Purchasing Agent, Enrique Samaniego          Attorney, Brian Hansen          Information Tech Specialist Brandon Edge          Superintendent Wastewater, Santiago Ochoa, IV          Superintendent Water, Noe Cantu</p> <p><b><u>ABSENT</u></b></p> <p>Secretary Jason Starkey</p>	
2	<p><b><u>Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation</u></b></p> <p>The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance, and S. Ochoa said the Opening Prayer</p>	
3	<p><b><u>Invitation to the Audience for Public Comments</u></b></p> <p>Comments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No comments</li> </ul>	<b>PUBLIC COMMENTS</b>
4	<p><b><u>Consider and discuss for possible approval the Minutes for the Regular Meeting from January 11, 2023. (C. Galvan)</u></b></p> <p>Discussion:</p> <p>The Board approved the Minutes as presented</p> <p style="text-align: center;">The motion carried unanimously:  <b>MOVED BY W. DONAHUE, SECONDED BY A. LALONDE.</b>  <b>MOTION: MOVE TO APPROVE.</b></p>	<b>MOTION CARRIED</b>

5	<p><u>General Manager's Report</u></p> <p><u>Reservoir Levels</u> – The Levels combined remained the same since October at 32.1%; we need more rain</p> <p><u>Schedule Desalination Planning Workshop</u> – Board agreed to schedule a Workshop before the Regular Meeting on Wednesday, February 22, at 4 PM</p>	GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT
6	<p><u>Consider and discuss for possible approval of the Engagement Agreement with McCall, Parkhurst, and Horton L.L.P. to provide Bond Counsel Services for Laguna Madre Water District. (C. Galvan) 📌</u></p> <p>Discussion:</p> <p>The Board approved the Engagement Agreement for Bond Counsel representation services</p> <p>The motion carried unanimously:</p> <p><b>MOVED BY W. DONAHUE, SECONDED BY D. BOUGHTER.</b></p> <p><b>MOTION: MOVE TO APPROVE.</b></p>	
7	<p><u>Discuss and take action on a Resolution requesting Financial Assistance from the Texas Water Development Board, authorizing the Filing of an Application for Assistance, and making certain findings in connection therewith. (C. Galvan) 📌</u></p> <p>Discussion:</p> <p>Printed copies of the Project Budget worksheet showing the additional \$15 million with TWDB were handed during the meeting for review and attached to the minutes</p> <p>The motion carried unanimously:</p> <p><b>MOVED BY A. LALONDE, SECONDED BY W. DONAHUE.</b></p> <p><b>MOTION: MOVE TO APPROVE.</b></p>	
8	<p><u>Consider and discuss for possible approval Board Travel to attend the Texas Water 2023 Conference on April 11-14 in Houston, Texas. (C. Galvan) 📌</u></p> <p>Discussion:</p> <p>Travel was approved for the Texas Water 2023 Conference</p> <p>The motion carried unanimously:</p> <p><b>MOVED BY A. LALONDE, SECONDED BY D. BOUGHTER.</b></p> <p><b>MOTION: MOVE TO APPROVE.</b></p>	
9	<p><u>District Engineer's Report 📌</u></p> <p><u>LMWD Rio Grande Water Diversions for the Year 2022</u> – The final watermasters report showed our authorized water rights at 5763. acre-feet per year and used 90% of our annual authorization. Bayview is an additional 183- acre- feet per year and pending approval by TCEQ</p> <p><u>Isla Blanca Wastewater Treatment Plant Status</u> – The Plant had a TCEQ Inspection waiting on the writeup but not anticipating anything significant. . The roof is getting repaired. Next will be the electrical but funds might not cover the work doing some in-house work and working on the site drainage.</p>	MOTION CARRIED

10	<p><u>Consider and review Expenditures from January 1, 2023, to January 15, 2023. (C. Galvan) 📌</u></p> <p>Discussion:</p> <p>The Board accepted the expenditures as presented</p> <p style="text-align: center;">The expenditures acknowledged by:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">A. LALONDE, D. BOUGHTER, S. FRIEDMAN, W. DONAHUE,</p>	ACKNOWLEDGED EXPENDITURES
11	<p><u>Adjournment</u></p> <p>There was no further business; the meeting adjourned at 5:47 PM.</p>	MEETING ADJOURNED @ 5:47 PM



JASON STARKEY, SECRETARY



SCOTT FRIEDMAN, CHAIRMAN




MINUTES APPROVED THIS 15<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF FEBRUARY 2023.