MINUTES

Regular Meeting
Laguna Madre Water District
Board of Directors
Monday, July 24, 2019
5:30 PM – 7:16 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 an Opening Prayer	
3	INVITATION TO THE AUDIENCE FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS	
	COMMENTS:	
	 R. Gomez reported on the water leak event due to a third party boring in South Padre Island with printed copies of pictures given out to the Board. 	
	o There were water pump issues with District pump	
	o Great help from So. Padre Island City Manager and Public Works Crew, used the pump from the city until it shut off	
	o Discussion on the how Notification to Customers got processed	
	o Discussion on the third party damages with questions and answers ensued.	
	S. Friedman thanked District Employees for their hard work and efforts	
4	CONSIDER AND DISCUSS FOR POSSIBLE APPROVAL THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING ON JULY 1, 2019. (C. GALVAN)	
	DISCUSSION:	MOTION
	Regular Meeting Minutes approved	CARRIED
	Moved by H. HOUSTON, seconded by A. LALONDE. J. STARKEY abstained, was absent.	
	Move to approve.	5

5	PRESENTATION BY DANA KING, WITH LIQUID ENVIRONMENTAL SOLUTIONS ON RECYCLING OF LIQUID AND ORGANIC WASTE. DISCUSSION: Powerpoint presentation Presentation followed by question and answers	DISCUSSION ONLY
6	A VIRTUAL DEMONSTRATION BY JIM TURNER WITH WATERSMART SOFTWARE ON THE NEW CUSTOMER PORTAL. DISCUSSION: • Teleconference meeting with a powerpoint presentation • Presentation followed by question and answers	DISCUSSION ONLY
7	BOND PLANNING COMMITTEE UPDATE SUMMER GATHERING FOR DISTRICT EMPLOYEES AND FAMILY REPORT: BOND PLANNING COMMITTEE UPDATE Bond Committee Meeting scheduled for Saturday at 8 AM Tour of the Water Plants Board invited to attend, contact the office if attending Two follow-up meeting scheduled later in the week SUMMER GATHERING FOR DISTRICT EMPLOYEES Employee picnic is on Saturday, August 17, from 9 AM - 2 PM Board invited to attend	GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT
8	DIRECTOR OF OPERATION'S REPORT	DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS REPORT
9	DISTRICT ENGINEER'S REPORT • WATER PLANT 1 STATUS	

PROJECT SCHEDULE FOR TEXAS WATER DEVELOPMENT BOARD FUNDED LIFT STATION REHABILITATION	
REPORT:	
WATER PLANT 1 STATUS	DISTRICT
Update on the Clearwell rehab	ENGINEER'S
Freese and Nichols up to date on the water plant 1 assessment	REPORT
PROJECT SCHEDULE FOR TEXAS WATER DEVELOPMENT BOARD FUNDED LIFT STATION	
REHABILITATION	
Schedule for Lift Stations:	
o On track to getting around to doing the 30% design, planning phase o The design phase is around October – November	
o Construction in July 2020	
DIRECTOR OF FINANCE REPORT	
BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING UPDATE	
BUDGET WORKSHOP	
REPORT:	
BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING UPDATE	DIRECTOR
Budget Committee Meeting on July 15, prepared a preliminary list of projects	FINANCE
 Preliminary list for review at the Budget Workshop, all items are subject for discussion and approval 	REPORT
BUDGET WORKSHOP	
Workshop Meeting scheduled for August 14, 2019, @ 3:30 PM	
11 CONSIDER AND DISCUSS FOR POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF BUDGET TRANSFER TO COVER	
MAJOR REPAIRS IN THE COLLECTION DEPARTMENT FROM THE WATER PLANT	, ,
DEPARTMENT AND DISTRIBUTION DEPARTMENT. (E. SALAZAR)	NO ACTION
DISCUSSION:	
This item did not get discussed	
No action got taken	
CONSIDER AND DISCUSS FOR POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF THE FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR	
MAY 2019. (E. SALAZAR) •	
DISCUSSION:	
The Financial Reports got approved as presented	MOTION
Moved by J. STARKEY, seconded by A. LALONDE.	CARRIED
Motion moved to approve.	

13	CONSIDER AND DISCUSS FOR POSSIBLE APPROVAL THE PURCHASE OF A CHEMICAL MIXER FOR WATER PLANT 2. REPORT: REPORT: Only one mixer working There is no backup if the mixer breaks down The request is for one mixer and one electric motor Recommendation: WWaterTech, Inc. for \$21,000.00 Moved by J. STARKEY, seconded by H. HOUSTON.	MOTION CARRIED
14	CONSIDER AND REVIEW EXPENDITURES FROM JULY 1- JULY 15, 2019. (C. GALVAN)	-
	DISCUSSION:	
	No comments or questions	ACKNOWLEDGMENT
	Expenditures acknowledged by H. HOUSTON and seconded by J. STARKEY.	OF EXPENDITURES
15	EXECUTIVE SESSION PERMITTED BY THE OPEN MEETING ACT, V. T. C. A., GOVERNMENT	
	CODE SECTION 551.001 ET. SEQ., UNDER SECTION 551.071, CONSULTATION WITH	
	ATTORNEY; UNDER SECTION 551.074, PERSONNEL MATTERS:	2:
	a. DELIBERATION REGARDING THE EVALUATION OF DISTRICT EMPLOYEE TO WIT:	
	GENERAL MANAGER ♠	TABLED
	The CHAIRMAN noted, One Board Member missing, wait for the next meeting,	
	Moved by H. HOUSTON, seconded by J. STARKEY.	
	Move to the table	
16	CONSIDERATION AND ACTION ON EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEMS, IF NECESSARY.	9
	DISCUSSION:	
	There was no Executive Session. The Executive Session Item got tabled and	
10)	deferred to the next Regular Meeting on August 14	EXECUTIVE SESSION POSTPONED
17	ADJOURNMENT	
	The CHAIRMAN adjourned the meeting at 7:16 PM	
	THE CHARMAN adjourned the meeting at 7:10 PIVI	

Scott D. Friedman, Chairman

Herb Houseon Jr., Vise-Chaikman

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MINUTES APPROVED THIS 14TH DAY OF AUGUST 2019.