







MINUTES
 Regular Meeting
 Laguna Madre Water District
 Board of Directors
 Wednesday, April 14, 2021
 5:37 PM – 6:17 PM
 Board Room

1	<p><u>QUORUM</u></p> <p>PRESENT: Vice-Chairman, Adam Lalonde Secretary, Jason Starkey Director, Dave Boughter Director, William "Bill" Donahue</p> <p style="text-align: center;"> Departed the meeting at 5:41 PM</p> <p style="text-align: center;"></p> <p><u>ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF:</u> General Manager, Carlos J. Galvan, Jr. Director of Operations, Robert Gomez District Engineer, Charles Ortiz Director of Finance, Eduardo Salazar Information Tech Specialist, Orlando Huerta Purchasing Agent, Enrique Samaniego Attorney, Brian Hansen</p> <p><u>ABSENT:</u> Chairman, Scott Friedman</p> <p><i>The meeting began at 5:41 PM. Agenda items were taken out of order and presented as follows: 1,2,10,3,4,5,6,7,8,9,11,12,13,14,</i></p>	
2	<p><u>PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND INVOCATION</u></p> <p>The pledge of allegiance and Invocation was said earlier at the Workshop.</p>	
3	<p><u>INVITATION TO THE AUDIENCE FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS</u></p> <p>COMMENTS:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • C. Galvan announced: District Employees Laurence Gonzalez and Emilio Galvan, Jr. in the Wastewater Department tested and passed their "D" Wastewater License 	PUBLIC COMMENTS
4	<p><u>CONSIDER AND DISCUSS FOR POSSIBLE APPROVAL THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING FROM MARCH 24, 2021. (C. GALVAN) 💧</u></p> <p>DISCUSSION:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Board approved the Minutes as presented <p>Moved by W. DONAHUE, seconded by D. BOUGHTER.</p>	MOTION CARRIED

	Motion: Move to approve.	
5	<p>GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT </p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>RESERVOIR LEVELS</u> <p>REPORT:</p> <p><u>RESERVOIR LEVELS</u> - C. Galvan gave the latest update for the reservoir levels, 42%. The levels went down 1%. The District is currently in a drought and will continue to monitor the flow and reservoir conditions. Discussion ensued regarding drought measures</p>	GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT
6	<p>DIRECTOR OF OPERATION'S REPORT </p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>MONTHLY REPORT</u> <p>REPORT:</p> <p><u>MONTHLY REPORT</u> - R. Gomez reported for March 2021 on service orders and service calls comparison from 2020 numbers. The comparison mostly showed an overall increase.</p>	
7	<p>DISTRICT ENGINEER'S REPORT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>LONG ISLAND VILLAGE</u> <p>REPORT:</p> <p><u>LONG ISLAND VILLAGE</u> - Financial Adviser N. Hinojosa gave a presentation on Long Island Village Project Funding Analysis. N. Hinojosa attended virtually through ZOOM, and printed copies were handed during the meeting, and a copy is attached to the minutes. Discussion and questions ensued. This item is also on the list under Executive Session to discuss the legal aspects of the contract</p>	DISTRICT ENGINEER'S REPORT
8	<p>CONSIDER AND REMOVE FROM THE TABLE THE FOLLOWING ITEM TABLED AT THE REGULAR MEETING ON MARCH 24, 2021:</p> <p><u>CONSIDER AND DISCUSS FOR POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF FIRSTNET CONTRACT</u></p> <p>DISCUSSION:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Board agreed to remove the item from the table for discussion <p>Moved by D. BOUGHTER, seconded by W. DONAHUE.</p> <p>Motion: Move to approve.</p>	MOTION CARRIED
9	<p>CONSIDER AND DISCUSS FOR POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF FIRSTNET CONTRACT. (E. SALAZAR) </p>	MOTION CARRIED

	<p>DISCUSSION:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Liana Cano gave a presentation and available for questions and answers. • FirstNet Representatives were also available virtually through ZOOM • Staff recommends FirstNet to be the District's carrier in place of the current contract with cell phone provider T-mobile ✓ Discussion ensued on possibly five additional devices for the Board. To be discussed further at another regularly scheduled meeting • The Board agreed to approve the agreement with FirstNet <p>Moved by D. BOUGHTER, seconded by W. DONAHUE.</p> <p>Motion: Move to approve</p>	
10	<p><u>CONSIDER AND DISCUSS FOR POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION AGREEING TO CERTAIN REQUIREMENTS OF A WATERSMART FUNDING OPPORTUNITY FOR PLANNING, DESIGN, AND CONSTRUCTION UNDER THE TITLE XVI WIIN WATER RECLAMATION AND REUSE PROGRAM FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2021 FOR A PROPOSED PORT ISABEL WATER RECLAMATION FACILITY (RESOLUTION NO. 185-04-2021). (C. ORTIZ) 💧</u></p> <p>DISCUSSION:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This item got moved up on the list. Discussion carried over from the 4:30 PM Workshop regarding the District's eligibility for a funding opportunity for water reclamation and reuse project • Discussion ensued on the financial portion of the project. Financial Adviser, N. Hinojosa with Estrada Hinojosa, attended virtually through ZOOM and available for questions and answers. N. Hinojosa requested some time to look into the numbers and report at a later date • J. Starkey excused himself and departed the meeting at 5:41 PM, a quorum maintained <p>Moved by J. STARKEY, seconded by D. BOUGHTER.</p> <p>Motion: Move to proceed</p>	MOTION CARRIED
11	<p><u>CONSIDER AND REVIEW EXPENDITURES FROM MARCH 16, 2021 – MARCH 31, 2021. (C. GALVAN) 💧</u></p> <p>DISCUSSION:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Board accepted the expenditures as presented <p>Expenditures acknowledged by D. BOUGHTER and W. DONAHUE.</p>	ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF EXPENDITURES
12	<p><u>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:</u></p>	MOTION CARRIED IN SESSION @ 6:45 PM

	<p align="center"><u>DISCUSS LONG ISLAND VILLAGE WATER AND SEWER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS</u> </p> <p>B. Hansen noted the matters discussed in Executive Session is for deliberation on the legal aspects of the contract</p> <p>D. BOUGHTER made a motion for the BOARD to go into the executive session at 6:45 PM, seconded by W. DONAHUE.</p> <p>W. DONAHUE made a motion for the BOARD to get out of the executive session at 7:17 PM, seconded by D. BOUGHTER.</p>	<p>MOTION CARRIED OUT OF SESSION @ 7:17 PM</p>
13	<p><u>CONSIDERATION AND ACTION ON EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEMS, IF NECESSARY.</u></p> <p>No action is taken discussion item only</p>	<p>EXECUTIVE SESSION RESULTS: Discussion Only</p>
14	<p><u>ADJOURNMENT</u></p> <p>There being no further business, the VICE-CHAIRMAN adjourned the meeting at 7:17 PM.</p>	<p>MEETING ADJOURNED @ 7:17 PM</p>



JASON STARKEY, SECRETARY



ADAM LALONDE, VICE-CHAIRMAN

MINUTES APPROVED THIS 14TH DAY OF APRIL 2021.