

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
LAGUNA MADRE WATER DISTRICT

The **REGULAR MEETING** of the **LAGUNA MADRE WATER DISTRICT** was held at the Administration Office of the District at 105 Port Road, Port Isabel, Texas on the **25th day of June 2014** at the hour of **6:00 p.m.**, pursuant to written notice as prescribed by law.

ITEM #1 **QUORUM**

The **CHAIRMAN** called the meeting to order and he determined the Notice of the Meeting had been duly posted in accordance with the law and the following present constituted a quorum:

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Scott Friedman – Chairman
Whitey William J. Thomas – Vice Chairman
Robert Vela – Secretary
Jeff Keplinger – Director
Rudy H. Garcia – Director arrived @ 6:04 pm

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

Carlos J. Galvan, Jr. – General Manager
Charles Ortiz – District Engineer
Victor Valdez – Director of Operations
Robert Gomez – Director of Finance

ITEM #2 **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The **CHAIRMAN** asked everyone in the audience to recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

ITEM #3 **INVITATION TO AUDIENCE FOR DISCUSSION**

The **CHAIRMAN** asked if anyone in the audience would like to address the **BOARD**. Ms. Nancy Martinez, District employee approached the **BOARD** and voiced her concerns regarding personnel matters.

ITEM #4 **CONSIDER AND APPROVE MINUTES FOR REGULAR MEETING OF JUNE 11, 2014.**

A motion was made by **MR. KEPLINGER** to approve Minutes for Regular Meeting June 11, 2014 as submitted, seconded by **MR. VELA**. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

ITEM #5 **CONSIDER AND DISCUSS PROPOSAL FOR NEW WATER AND WASTEWATER RATE SCHEDULE**

NO ACTION ITEM. The **BOARD** briefly discussed and scheduled a **Workshop for Saturday, July 19th, 2014** to discuss the District's Water and Sewer Rates Schedule.

ITEM #6 **CONSIDER AND APPROVE EVOQUA WATER TECHNOLOGIES TO PERFORM A CHLORINE DIOXIDE GENERATOR TRIAL AT WATER TREATMENT PLANT NO. 2**

A motion was made by **MR. KEPLINGER** to approve **STAFF'S** recommendation to table item for EVOQUA Water Technologies to perform a Chlorine Dioxide Generator Trial at Water Treatment Plant No. 2, seconded by **MR. THOMAS. NO ACTION TAKEN, ITEM TABLED.**

ITEM #7 **CONSIDER AND APPROVE WORK ORDER FOR RPS ESPEY TO REVISE CONTACT TIME STUDY AT WATER TREATMENT PLANT NO. 2**

A motion was made by **MR. GARCIA** to approve Work Order for RPS Espey to revise Contract Time Study at Water Treatment Plant No. 2, seconded by **MR. VELA. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

ITEM #8 **CONSIDER AND APPROVE AGREEMENT WITH HIDALGO COUNTY WATER IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT #3 TO USE LONG REACH MACHINE TO CLEAN CUATES GROUND STORAGE TANK AND WATER TREATMENT PLANT NO 2 SLUDGE LAGOON**

A motion was made by **MR. THOMAS** to approve Agreement with Hidalgo County Water Improvement District #3 to use Long Reach Machine to clean Cuates Ground Storage Tank and Water Treatment Plant No. 2 Sludge Lagoon, seconded by **MR. VELA. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

ITEM #9 **CONSIDER AND DISCUSS ISSUING LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR THE STRATEGIC WATER MANAGEMENT PLAN AS INITIATED BY THE RIO GRANDE REGIONAL WATER AUTHORITY (RGRWA)**

NO ACTION ITEM. The **BOARD** briefly discussed and scheduled a **Workshop for Saturday, July 19th, 2014**, to discuss issuing a letter of support for the Strategic Water Management Plan as initiated by the Rio Grande Regional Water Authority (RGRWA).

ITEM #10 **CONSIDER AND APPROVE RENEWING ORBIT BROAD BAND IT CONTRACT**

A motion was made by **MR. VELA** to table and schedule a **Workshop for Saturday, July 19th, 2014** to discuss Orbit Broad Band IT Contract, seconded by **MR. GARCIA. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

ITEM #11 **CONSIDER AND APPROVE MAY FINANCIAL STATEMENT**

A motion was made by **MR. THOMAS** to approve May Financial Statement, seconded by **MR. KEPLINGER. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

ITEM #12 **CONSIDER AND APPROVE DISBURSEMENTS**

A motion was made by **MR. THOMAS** to approve Disbursements as submitted, seconded by **MR. GARCIA. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

ITEM #13 **GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT**

- **RIVER PUMP STATION**
- **PERSONAL CELL PHONES**
- **SPI MEETING**

MR. GALVAN reported on the following: River Pumps; Personal Cell Phones; and SPI Meeting.

ITEM #14 **DISTRICT ENGINEER'S REPORT**

- **BLOWER AT WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANTS**

MR. ORTIZ briefly updated on the Blower at the Wastewater Treatment Plants.

ITEM #15 ADJOURNMENT

The **CHAIRMAN** adjourned the meeting at **6:55 p.m.**

SCOTT FRIEDMAN, CHAIRMAN

ROBERT VELA, SECRETARY

MINUTES APPROVED THIS _____ DAY OF _____ 2014.