










MINUTES
 Regular Meeting
 Laguna Madre Water District
 Board of Directors
 Wednesday, February 8, 2023
 5:30 PM – 6:25 PM
 Board Room

1	<p><u>QUORUM</u></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;"><i>arrived at 5:42 PM virtually through zoom</i></p> <p><u>ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF</u></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>Agenda Items were presented as follows: 1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8,10,11,12,13,14,9,15</p>	
2	<p><u>Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation</u></p> <p>The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance, and D. Boughter said the Opening Prayer</p>	
3	<p><u>Invitation to the Audience for Public Comments</u></p> <p>Comments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • R. Gomez reported: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ On the possibilities for a seamless pipe under the causeway. R. Gomez noted he is still looking into the best option and will come back with all the information ○ The District is implementing a monthly Employee Recognition to show employees they are appreciated. A Committee will evaluate Manager's nomination. Also, out of the monthly recognition, they will select an Employee of the Year 	PUBLIC COMMENTS
4	<p><u>Consider and discuss for possible approval the Minutes for the Regular Meeting from January 25, 2023.</u> <u>(C. Galvan)</u></p> <p>Discussion:</p> <p>The Board approved the Minutes as presented</p> <p style="text-align: center;">The motion carried unanimously:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">MOVED BY W. DONAHUE, SECONDED BY D. BOUGHTER.</p>	MOTION CARRIED

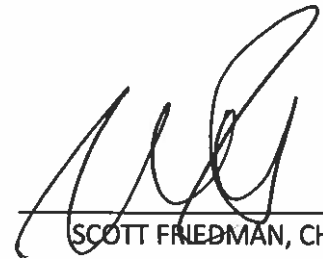
MOTION: MOVE TO APPROVE.		
5	<p><u>General Manager's Report</u></p> <p><u>Reservoir Levels</u> – The Levels at Falcon Lake and Amistad combined have gone down very slowly to 31.6%. Hoping for some rain</p> <p><u>Upcoming Workshop-February 22, 2023</u> – The workshop is at 4 PM. Hopefully, the entire Board can attend; the whole Board is needed. Mr. CGalvan will send a reminder</p>	GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT
6	<p><u>Director of Operation's Report</u> </p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>Monthly Report</u> – Compared to December, January's Service Orders, and Call Outs showed more for Distribution and Collection Departments. However, the Pre-Treatment and Lift Stations remained the same 	DIRECTOR OF OPERATION'S REPORT
7	<p><u>District Engineer's Report</u> </p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>Long Island Village Water and Wastewater System</u> – Certification and Financing Proposal was published on February 3 and posted on Long Island Village's website. Closing for the financing portion is sometime in March or April. One item that needs to get done is establishing the right of way 	DISTRICT ENGINEER'S REPORT
8	<p><u>Consider and discuss the request for an Annexation Committee Meeting regarding 32.8 acres of land on South Padre Island, being that portion of the South Padre Playa Del Rey Properties, I, LTD 689.2 Acre Tract lying West of Texas State Park Road No. 100 at Beach Access 6. (C. Ortiz)</u> </p> <p>Discussion:</p> <p>J. Starkey and D. Boughter agreed to a meeting tomorrow, February 9, at 9 AM</p>	DISCUSSION ONLY
9	<p><u>Consider and discuss for possible approval of the Agreement with Pall Corporation for Furnishing Membrane Filtration Equipment for Water Treatment Plant No. 1. (C. Ortiz)</u> </p> <p>Discussion:</p> <p>The attorney suggested that the Board go into Executive Session to discuss the legal aspects of the Contract</p> <p><u>EXECUTIVE SESSION</u></p> <p>The Chairman entertained to adjourn into Executive Session as permitted by the Open Meetings Act, VTCA, Government Code Section 551.001 Et Seq., under Section 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney), Section 551.072 (Deliberations about Real Property), which authorizes the holding of such closed or executive session.</p> <p>With a motion by <u>A. Lalonde</u> and seconded by <u>D. Boughter</u>, the Board convened into Executive Session at <u>5:59 PM</u>. With a move by <u>A. Lalonde</u> and seconded by <u>W. Donahue</u>, Executive Session ended at <u>6:24 PM</u>. The only matters described were discussed, and the Board took action.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">The motion carried unanimously:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">MOVED BY A. L.AL.ONDE, SECONDED BY D. BOUGHTER.</p>	MOTION CARRIED EXECUTIVE SESSION

	MOTION: MOVE TO APPROVE.	
10	<p><u>Consider and discuss for possible approval of Capital Projects (Fund 03) Budget Amendment for Sewer Infrastructure (Dept 35). (C. Ortiz) </u></p> <p>Discussion:</p> <p>The Board approved the Budget Amendment as presented</p> <p style="text-align: center;">The motion carried unanimously:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">MOVED BY D. BOUGHTER, SECONDED BY A. LALONDE.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">MOTION: MOVE TO APPROVE.</p>	MOTION CARRIED
11	<p><u>Consider and discuss for possible approval of Professional Services with Garver, LLC., for the Engineering of Isla Blanca Wastewater Treatment Facility Modifications. (C. Ortiz) </u></p> <p>Discussion:</p> <p>C. Ortiz requested to use available funds to work on the Dewatering System and Clarifier, and the Board agreed to move forward and approval of the lump sum not to exceed \$380,000</p> <p style="text-align: center;">The motion carried unanimously:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">MOVED BY A. L.AL.ONDE, SECONDED BY D. BOUGHTER.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">MOTION: MOVE TO APPROVE.</p>	MOTION CARRIED
12	<p><u>Consider and discuss for possible approval of Geotechnical Engineering Services with RABA KISTNER Consultants Inc. for Proposed Long Island Village Water and Sewer Improvements. (C. Ortiz) </u></p> <p>Discussion:</p> <p>The Board approved the recommendation from C. Ortiz for the study and a total fee of \$12,295</p> <p style="text-align: center;">The motion carried unanimously:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">MOVED BY D. BOUGHTER, SECONDED BY W. DONAHUE.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">MOTION: MOVE TO APPROVE.</p>	MOTION CARRIED
13	<p>Consider and discuss possible approval of the Financial Reports for October 2022. (E. Salazar) </p> <p>Discussion:</p> <p>The Board approved the Financials of October 2022 as presented</p> <p style="text-align: center;">The motion carried unanimously:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">MOVED BY W. DONAHUE, SECONDED BY D. BOUGHTER.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">MOTION: MOVE TO APPROVE.</p>	MOTION CARRIED
14	<p><u>Consider and review Expenditures from January 16, 2023, to January 31, 2023. (C. Galvan) </u></p> <p>Discussion:</p> <p>The Board accepted the expenditures as presented</p>	ACKNOWLEDGED EXPENDITURES

	The expenditures acknowledged by: D. BOUGHTER, A. LALONDE, S. FRIEDMAN, W. DONAHUE, J. STARKEY	
15	<u>Adjournment</u> There was no further business; the meeting adjourned at 6:25 PM.	MEETING ADJOURNED @ 6:25 PM



JASON STARKEY, SECRETARY



SCOTT FRIEDMAN, CHAIRMAN

MINUTES APPROVED THIS 22ND DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2023.