


MINUTES
 Regular Meeting
 Laguna Madre Water District
 Board of Directors
 Wednesday, November 09, 2022
 5:30 PM – 6:00 PM
 Board Room


1	<p><u>QUORUM</u></p> <p>Vice-Chairman, Adam Lalonde Secretary, Jason Starkey Director William "Bill" Donahue</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</p> <p><u>ABSENT</u></p> <p>Chairman, Scott Friedman Director Dave Boughter</p>	
2	<p><u>Pledge of Allegiance And Invocation</u></p> <p>The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance, and C. Galvan 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 gave an update on the repair of the water leak under the bridge and the costs: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Barge for two days totaling \$11,000 (the crane provided) ○ Scissor lift cost \$1,223 ○ Plus, Insurance for the scissor lift • C. Galvan reported on the 36" water line from reservoir IV through Los Fresnos on Whipple Rd. There's some damage under the road that's between two resacas. Three parties are splitting the costs for repairs (Irrigation District 6, the County, and LMWD). The proposal will be brought before the Board for approval at the next regular meeting 	PUBLIC COMMENTS
4	<p><u>Consider and discuss for possible approval the Minutes for the Regular Meeting from October 26, 2022. (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 J. STARKEY, SECONDED BY W. DONAHUE.</p>	MOTION CARRIED

	MOTION: MOVE TO APPROVE.	
5	<p><u>General Manager's Report</u></p> <p><u>Reservoir Levels</u> – C. Galvan noted the reservoir levels at Amistad are at 31.8%, down from two weeks ago but expecting some more rain</p> <p><u>Unofficial Results for November 8, 2022, Board of Directors Election</u> – C. Galvan provided the Board with the unofficial results. The Elections Department is preparing the Canvassing Results of the November 8th Election for official approval by the Board</p>	GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT
6	<p><u>Consider and discuss for approval of rescheduling the Regular Meeting of November 23, 2022, to Monday, November 21, 2022, for the Canvassing of the returns and declaring the results of the Board of Directors General Election on November 8, 2022. (C. Galvan)</u></p> <p>The Board approved moving up the meeting to November 21, 2022</p> <p style="text-align: center;">The motion carried unanimously:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">MOVED BY A. LALONDE, SECONDED BY J. STARKEY.</p> <p>MOTION: MOVE TO APPROVE.</p>	MOTION CARRIED
7	<p><u>Consider and discuss for possible approval Board Travel to attend the Association of Water Board Directors (AWBD) 2023 Midwinter Conference on January 27 –28 in Austin, Texas. (C. Galvan)</u> 💧</p> <p>The Board approved Travel</p> <p style="text-align: center;">The motion carried unanimously:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">MOVED BY W. DONAHUE, SECONDED BY J. STARKEY.</p> <p>MOTION: MOVE TO APPROVE.</p>	MOTION CARRIED
8	<p><u>Director of Operation's Report</u> 💧</p> <p><u>Monthly Report</u></p> <p>The Monthly Report comparison changed; for a better view, the report compares the previous month with the month earlier rather than the prior year. This comparison is for October 2022 compared to September 2022. The Distribution Department had 71 more service calls/callouts, mostly for occupant change. The Collection Department showed 30 fewer calls/callouts than in September, mainly in electrical, and Preventive Maintenance Department increased by nine.</p>	DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS REPORT
9	<p><u>District Engineer's Report</u> 💧</p> <p><u>Rehabilitation of Andy Bowie Elevated Storage Tank (EST#2)</u></p> <p>Rehab work competed</p> <p><u>Elevated Storage Tank #6 Status (Proposed 600,000 gallon in Port Isabel)</u></p> <p>In the process of setting the advertising dates for mid-December and receiving bids by January 17</p>	DISTRICT ENGINEER'S REPORT

	<p><u>Water Plant #1 Design Update</u></p> <p>The District received 90% design submittal for Water Plant #1 improvements, including electrical design.</p> <p><u>Lift Station Rehabilitation Status</u></p> <p>Lift Station, located at 1200 North Shore Dr. at the Point Subdivision, is being restored in-house.</p> <p>Frankie Guzman, Pre- Treatment Manager, was present and available for questions and answers</p>	
10	<p><u>Consider and discuss for possible approval of the Agreement For Professional Services with SWG Engineering for Engineering Design of Long Island Village Water and Wastewater Infrastructure Improvements. (C. Ortiz) 🇺🇸</u></p> <p>Discussion:</p> <p>The Board approved SWG Engineering Design for \$2,749,740.85</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Motion carried unanimously:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">MOVED BY J. STARKEY, SECONDED BY W. DONAHUE.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">MOTION: MOVE TO APPROVE.</p>	MOTION CARRIED
11	<p><u>Consider and discuss possible approval for purchasing vehicles for the department’s Lift Stations, Lab, and Administration. (E. Samaniego) 🇺🇸</u></p> <p>Discussion:</p> <p>The Board approved and awarded the budgeted items to Caldwell Country Chevrolet</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Motion carried unanimously:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">MOVED BY W. DONAHUE, SECONDED BY J. STARKEY.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">MOTION: MOVE TO APPROVE.</p>	MOTION CARRIED
12	<p><u>Consider and discuss possible approval for ratification of payment for emergency repair of the Laguna Vista STP Blower. (E. Samaniego) 🇺🇸</u></p> <p>Discussion:</p> <p>The Board agreed to ratify the amount of \$10,760</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Motion carried unanimously:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">MOVED BY J. STARKEY, SECONDED BY W. DONAHUE.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">MOTION: MOVE TO APPROVE.</p>	
13	<p><u>Consider and review Expenditures from October 16, 2022, to October 31, 2022. (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;">W. DONAHUE, J. STARKEY, AND A. LALONDE</p>	ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF EXPENDITURES

14	<u>Adjournment</u> There was no further business; the meeting adjourned at 6:00 PM.	MEETING ADJOURNED @ 6:00 PM
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ADAM LALONDE, VICE-CHAIRMAN

BILL DONAHUE, DIRECTOR

MINUTES APPROVED THIS 21TH DAY OF NOVEMBER 2022.