

# LATON COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT

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FOLLOWING IS THE MINUTES FOR THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING OF THE LATON COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT. THE MEETING WAS HELD JULY 21, 2021, AT 6:00 P.M. IN THE EVENING AT THE COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT LOCATED AT 6501 EAST LATONIA, LATON, CALIFORNIA. THE MEETING WAS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CALIFORNIA LAW.

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** The Meeting was called to order by Mr. Garcia at 6:01pm. Board Members in attendance were Paul Garcia, Carol Hall, Lupe Alcoser, and Tim Wolfe. The following individuals were also present at the meeting: JoAnne Rempp, Daniel Chapa, Jim Wegley, Consuelo Velasco, and Ty Mizote. The following individuals were absent from the meeting: Brent Pentecost.
2. **UNSCHEDULED ORAL PRESENTATIONS:** None
3. **APPROVAL OF THE JUNE 16, 2021, MEETING MINUTES:** Mrs. Hall made a motion to approve the Meeting Minutes. Mrs. Alcoser seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.
4. **APPROVAL OF THE JULY 2021 MONTHLY BILLS:** Mr. Garcia made a motion to approve the Monthly Bills and to pay the BSK bill when it comes in. Mr. Wolfe seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.
5. **THE LATON VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT:**
  - A. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING THE MONTHLY REPORT:** Mr. Chapa reported for the month of June there were 7-medical calls, 2-traffic accidents, 4-vegetation fire calls and 6-structural fire call, and 0-Other.
6. **UPDATES TO THE COMMUNITY OF LATON SIDEWALK PROJECT CONSTRUCTED BY FRESNO COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND PLANNING:** Mr. Chapa reported that the project was finished and showed photos of the finished work. Mrs. Velasco is concerned for the safety of the children who must walk to and from school and do not have a sidewalk to use on Latonia which is the busiest street in front of the school. Mrs. Velasco has contacted Buddy Mendez office and let them know of her concerns.
7. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING THE ANNUAL GARBAGE RATE CPI ADJUSTMENT FOR THE COMMUNITY OF LATON:** Mr. Garcia made a motion to approve the Annual Garbage Rate CPI Adjustment. Mr. Orbe seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.
8. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING THE SUSTAINABLE GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT FOR THE NORTH FORK KINGS GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY:** Mrs. Rempp had nothing to report.
9. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING THE NITRATE MANAGEMENT ZONE PARTICIPATION FOR THE KINGS WATER ALLIANCE:** Mrs. Rempp and Mr. Wegley went over the proposed payment plan options, and they are hoping to have the first round of bills in the mail by July15, 2021.
10. **THE WATER DISTRIBUTION AND WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT:**
  - A. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING GRANGER WATER SPECIALTIES:** Mr. Chapa reported that he is still working on the contracts with Mr. Granger.
  - B. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING THE MONTHLY REPORT:** Mr. Chapa reported the well depths and drawdowns for June: well #4 Static water level is at 125.90 and drawdown is at 5.98; well #5 Static water level is at 138.61 and drawdown is at 6.56; well #6 Static water level is at 134.77 and drawdown is at 7.32. BOD is at 57.20% and TSS is at 72.07%. Sylvester has set up a guy who took his Grade 2 Wastewater test and passed but needs the hours to get his certificate to work with Sid at the WWTP for three days a week to earn his hours needed for the certificate. The diffuser arms are losing air and not producing enough bubbles. Sid and Dan are looking into getting them repaired.
11. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING LCSD PROPOSED PROJECTS FOR THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PROGRAM:** Mr. Wegley went over the 5-year plan projects and is proposing that we add another pond at the WWTP. A Public Hearing for the CDBG Project is set for August 18, 2021. Mrs. Rempp will run a Public Hearing ad in the Hanford Sentinel on August 7<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>.

12. **MONTHLY REPORT FROM JIM WEGLEY:** Mr. Wegley submitted 5 projects to be considered for the ARPA Program which is funded with Federal Grant Funds. Mr. Wegley submitted the Draft Project Engineering Report for the WWTP Planning Grant.
13. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING THE 2021-2022 FISCAL YEAR PRELIMINARY BUDGET RESOLUTION No. 2021-01:** Mr. Garcia approved the 2021-2022 Fiscal Year Preliminary Budget Resolution No. 2021-01. Mr. Orbe seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.
14. **MONTHLY SAFETY REPORT:** Mr. Chapa reported there were no injuries or accidents.
15. **MONTHLY REPORT FROM GENERAL MANAGER:** Mr. Chapa will be working with Mr. Wegley on the Prop 218 for the next monthly Board Meeting.
16. **ADJOURN TO CLOSE SESSION:** Mr. Garcia adjourned to close session at 7:59pm.
  - A) PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION (GOV CODE 54957)  
Employees: All
  - B) CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR (GOV CODE 54957.6)  
Agency Negotiators: Daniel Chapa and Ty Mizote  
Unrepresented Employees: All
17. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING CLOSED SESSION ITEMS:** Mr. Chapa will have an employee meeting to discuss the closed session decisions.
18. **ADJOURNMENT:** Mr. Garcia adjourned the Meeting at 8:17pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

By: JoAnne Rempp

District Secretary for Laton Community Services District