

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 JUNE 18, 2025, AT 6:00 P.M. IN THE EVENING AT THE LATON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CAFETERIA LOCATED AT 6065 EAST LATONIA STREET, LATON, CALIFORNIA. ALL DISTRICT MEETINGS ARE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CALIFORNIA LAW.

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** Mr. Garcia called the Meeting to order at 6:01 pm. Board Members in attendance were Paul Garcia, Tim Wolfe, Carol Hall, Marina Mendiola, and Francisco Orbe. The following individuals were also present at the meeting: JoAnne Rempp, Jim Wegley, and Daniel Chapa. The following individuals were absent from the meeting: Chief Pentecost and Ty Mizote.
2. **UNSCHEDULED ORAL PRESENTATIONS:** Mid Valley Disposal will service the trash on July 4th.
3. **APPROVAL OF THE MAY 23, 2025 SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES:** Mr. Garcia made a motion to approve the Special Meeting Minutes. Mrs. Hall seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.
4. **APPROVAL OF THE MAY 28, 2025 MEETING MINUTES:** Mr. Garcia made a motion to approve the Meeting Minutes. Mr. Orbe seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.
5. **APPROVAL OF THE JUNE 2025 MONTHLY BILLS:** Mr. Garcia made a motion to approve the Monthly Bills. Ms. Mendiola seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.
6. **THE LATON VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT.**
 - A. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING THE MONTHLY REPORT:** Mr. Chapa reported for the month of May 2025, there were 6- medical calls, 1-traffic accident calls, 0- vehicle fire calls, 6-vegetation fire calls, 0- structural fire calls, 0- commercial/residential alarm, 1-Hazmat, 0-Electrical Hazard, 0-Fire Investigation, 0-Water Rescue, 0-Citizen Assist, and 0-Other.
7. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING UPDATES TO THE CUSTOMER UTILITY BILL PRICING AND GUIDELINE POLICIES TO REFLECT CURRENT LCSD COSTS:** Tabled to next month's meeting.
8. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING THE 2025-2026 FISCAL YEAR PRELIMINARY BUDGET RESOLUTION No. 2025-01:** Mr. Chapa reviewed the Preliminary Budget with the Board. The Board has approved Prop 218 rate increases as follows: Water-Base Rate \$39.45 and Consumption \$.096. Sewer-Flat Rate \$50.79. Streetlights-Flat Rate \$4.57. Mr. Chapa will revise the Preliminary Budget to reflect the new rates.
9. **THE WATER DISTRIBUTION AND WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT.**
 - A. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING THE MONTHLY REPORT:** Mr. Chapa reported the well depths and drawdowns for May 2025: well #4 Static water level is at 106.21, and drawdown is 9.21; well #5 Static water level is at 108.55 and drawdown is at 8.28; well #6 Static water level is at 109.32; and drawdown is at 7.69. BOD removal: 91.09% and TSS removal: 93.67%. Freeboard pond level: #1-Out of service, #2-Out of service, #3-Out of service, #4-6.4ft, #5-6.8ft, and #6-6.2ft.
10. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING THE PROPOSED INCREASE TO MONTHLY SERVICE CHARGES FOR MID VALLEY DISPOSAL GARBAGE COLLECTION SERVICES:** Mrs. Hall made a motion to approve the 2.76% increase to the monthly service charges for Mid Valley Disposal Garbage Collection Services. Mr. Wolfe seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.
11. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING THE LCSD AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA) PROPOSED LCSD WATER METER PROJECT:** Mr. Wegley reported that after having a meeting with ARPA-SLFRF Coordinator, Mr. Chapa, and Mrs. Rempp an agreement was made to submit a Payment Request for 60% of the contracted amount available. A payment request was submitted for \$305,896.75 and we are waiting for Fresno County ARPA to approve the payment request.

12. **MONTHLY REPORT FROM JIM WEGLEY:** Mr. Wegley had nothing to report.
13. **MONTHLY SAFETY REPORT:** Mr. Chapa reported there were no accidents or injuries for the month.
14. **MONTHLY REPORT FROM THE GENERAL MANAGER:** Mr. Chapa is working on the following items:
Preliminary Budget, Cross Connection Ordinance Updates, and updating the current LCSD costs.
15. **ADJOURN TO CLOSE SESSION:** Mr. Garcia adjourned to close session at 6:45pm.
- 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
16. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING CLOSED SESSION ITEMS:** No action was taken.
17. **ADJOURNMENT:** Mr. Garcia adjourned the Board Meeting at 6:57pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
By: JoAnne Rempp
District Secretary for Laton Community Services District