

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 MARCH 18, 2026, 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:** Mrs. Hall called the Meeting to order at 6:01 pm. Board Members in attendance were Tim Wolfe, Marina Mendiola, Carol Hall, and Francisco Orbe. The following individuals were also present at the meeting: Ty Mizote, Jim Wegley. Battalion Chief Beavers, Daniel Chapa, and JoAnne Rempp. The following individuals were absent from the meeting: Paul Garcia.
2. **UNSCHEDULED ORAL PRESENTATIONS:** Mr. Chapa announced there will be a Small Town Run on Saturday at 6pm.
3. **APPROVAL OF THE FEBRUARY 19, 2026 MEETING MINUTES:** Mr. Orbe made a motion to approve the Meeting Minutes. Ms. Mendiola seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.
4. **APPROVAL OF THE MARCH 2026 MONTHLY BILLS:** Mrs. Hall made a motion to approve the Monthly Bills. Mr. Wolfe seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.
5. **THE LATON VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT.**
 - A. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING THE MONTHLY REPORT:** Battalion Chief Beavers reported for the month of February 2026, there were 6- medical calls, 2-traffic accident calls, 0- vehicle fire calls, 0-vegetation fire calls, 0- structural fire calls, 1- commercial/residential alarm, 0-Hazmat, 0-Electrical Hazard, 0-Fire Investigation, 0-Water Rescue, 0-Citizen Assist, and 0-Other. The Fire Department was given a set of extrication equipment from Fresno Fire Department.
6. **THE WATER DISTRIBUTION AND WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT.**
 - A. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING THE MONTHLY REPORT:** Mr. Chapa reported the well depths and drawdowns for February 2026: well #4 Static water level is 111.23, and drawdown is 6.64; well #5 Static water level is at 109.92 and drawdown is at 9.17; well #6 Static water level is at 112.31, and drawdown is at 6.62. BOD removal:84.05% not TSS removal: 93.99%. Freeboard pond level: Pond #1-Out of service, Pond #2-Out of service, Pond #3-Out of service, Pond #4 – Too Low, Pond #5 – Too Low, and Pond #6 – Too Low. Mr. Chapa went over the Cal OSHA citations and fees.
7. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING THE LCSD AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA) PROPOSED LCSD WATER METER PROJECT:** Mr. Wegley has received Payment request #4 and the Change Order payment request. Mr. Wegley is reviewing the request and will be approved at the next Board Meeting.
8. **MONTHLY REPORT FROM JIM WEGLEY:** Mr. Wegley is working on the annual CCR Report. The next PFAS testing has to be done in May 2026.
9. **MONTHLY SAFETY REPORT:** Mr. Chapa reported there were no accidents or injuries for the month. All employees have finished their safety training, and Mr. Chapa's new programs are now available on the employee phone app.
10. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING RESIDENTIAL CROSS-CONNECTION HAZARD ASSESSMENT SURVEYS TO ENSURE COMPLIANCE WITH THE 2024 STATE WATER BOARD CROSS-CONNECTION CONTROL POLICY HANDBOOK:** Mr. Chapa is working with Michael McKeever on the Residential Cross-Connection Hazard Assessment Survey.
11. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING EMPLOYEE LONGEVITY COMPENSATION:** Tabled to next month's meeting.
12. **MONTHLY REPORT FROM THE GENERAL MANAGER:** Mr. Chapas is currently working on the following reports: Financial Transaction Report, CCR Report, EAR Report, and Volumetric Report. The Auditor is completing the Audit and should be available to approve at the next Board Meeting.

13. **ADJOURN TO CLOSE SESSION:** Mrs. Hall adjourned to closed session at 6:49pm.

A) **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION**

Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (d) of
Government Code Section 54956.9: 1 case

14. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING CLOSED SESSION ITEMS:** No action taken in close session.

15. **ADJOURNMENT:** Mrs. Hall adjourned the Board Meeting at 6:53pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

By: JoAnne Rempp

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