

# 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 NOVEMBER 16, 2022 AT 6:00 P.M. IN THE EVENING THRU A ZOOM MEETING DUE TO COVID-19. THE MEETING WAS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CALIFORNIA LAW. THE ZOOM MEETING ID NUMBER WAS 874 6443 3969.

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** Mr. Garcia called the Meeting to order at 6:00pm. Board Members in attendance were Paul Garcia, Carol Hall, Lupe Alcoser, Francisco Orbe, and Tim Wolfe. The following individuals were also present at the meeting; JoAnne Rempp, Dan Chapa, Jim Wegley, Chief Pentecost, and Ty Mizote. The following individuals were absent from the meeting: None.
2. **UNSCHEDULED ORAL PRESENTATIONS:** Board Member Lupe Alcoser presented the Board with her resignation effective December 31, 2022. Mrs. Alcoser will be moving out of the District.
3. **APPROVAL OF THE OCTOBER 19, 2022 MEETING MINUTES:** Mr. Orbe made a motion to approve the Meeting Minutes. Mr. Garcia seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.
4. **APPROVAL OF THE NOVEMBER 2022 MONTHLY BILLS:** Mr. Garcia made a motion to approve the Monthly Bills. Mrs. Hall seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.
5. **THE LATON VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT.**
  - A. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING THE MONTHLY REPORT:** Chief Pentecost reported for the month of October there were 3-medical calls, 1-traffic accident calls, 0- vehicle fire call, 2-vegetation fire calls, 0-structural fire calls, and 1-Other. The Board gave Chief Pentecost the approval to rent a scissor lift for \$300 to trim the trees at the Fire Station.
6. **DISCUSSION REGARDING THE HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE SPECIAL MEETING FOR THE LCSO PROPOSED WATER METER REPLACEMENT PHASE 1 PROJECT:** The Board conferenced called into the meeting and discussed why it is so important for Laton to receive the funding for new water meters.
7. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING THE SUSTAINABLE GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT FOR THE NORTH FORK KINGS GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY:** Mrs. Rempp had nothing to report.
8. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING THE NITRATE MANAGEMENT ZONE PARTICIPATION FOR THE KINGS WATER ALLIANCE:** Mrs. Rempp had nothing to report.
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 October 2022: well #4 Static water level is at 121.59 and drawdown is 8.39; well #5 Static water level is at 119.62 and drawdown is at 6.51; well #6 Static water level is at 122.18 and drawdown is at 8.53. No report for the BOD and TSS. Cinthia Reyes with SWRCB will be doing a Sanitary Survey Inspection on the well sites this month.
10. **MONTHLY REPORT FROM JIM WEGLEY:** The Board approved for Mr. Wegley to submit the application for funding to the State Board for a generator at well site #4 and approved Dan Chapa to sign the application. ARPA has opened up their second round of funding and Laton has been chosen to receive funding. An Adhoc Committee has been formed to discuss which projects should be submitted for the funding. The Adhoc Committee will meet on November 30, 2022 at 5:30pm through Zoom Meeting. The Adhoc Committee will be Paul Garcia, Carol Hall, JoAnne Rempp, Daniel Chapa, and Jim Wegley. The WWTP Pond Addition CDBG Project will require that we send out RFQ for local Engineering Firms.
11. **MONTHLY SAFETY REPORT:** Mr. Chapa reported there were no injuries or accidents.

12. **MONTHLY REPORT FROM GENERAL MANAGER:** Mr. Chapa reported that the Financial Audits for years ending 2019 and 2020 have been completed and the are currently working on 2021. The new Prop 218 rate increases went into effect on November 1, 2022 and the customers will see thos increases on their December bill. The Backflow Devices in town had their annual testing and they all past. Cal Recycle applications for a 5 year extension for SB1383 have been resubmitted and waiting for approval. The Board discussed possible replacements for the upcoming vacancy.

13. **ADJOURNMENT:** Mr. Garcia adjourned the Zoom Board Meeting at 7:07pm.

Respectfully Submitted,  
By: JoAnne Rempp  
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