

# 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 OCTOBER 16, 2024, 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 6:03 pm. Board Members in attendance were Paul Garcia, Tim Wolfe, Carol Hall, and Francisco Orbe. The following individuals were also present at the meeting: Dan Chapa, JoAnne Rempp, Chief Pentecost, Battalion Chief Beavers, and Ty Mizote, the following individuals were absent from the meeting: Lucy Nino
2. **UNSCHEDULED ORAL PRESENTATIONS:** There were no oral presentations.
3. **APPROVAL OF THE SEPTEMBER 18, 2024 MEETING MINUTES:** Mrs. Hall made a motion to approve the Meeting Minutes. Mr. Orbe seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.
4. **APPROVAL OF THE OCTOBER 2024 MONTHLY BILLS:** Mr. Garcia made a motion to approve the Monthly Bills including the SoCal Gas and Dennis Keller Engineering bills that has not come in yet. Mr. Orbe 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 September, there were 5- medical calls, 0-traffic accident calls, 2- vehicle fire calls, 3-vegetation fire calls, 1- structural fire calls, 0- commercial/residential alarm, 0-Hazmat, 0-Electrical Hazard, 0-Fire Investigation, 0-Water Rescue, 0-Citizen Assist, and 0-Other. Chief Pentecost reported that the new tires have been installed on the new fire truck and there are currently three fire hydrants that are put of service that needs to be repaired, Chief will personally inspect the fire hydrants and let the Board know which ones will need to be repaired.
6. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING THE MANDATORY ORGANIC WASTE DISPOSAL REDUCTION ORDINANCE. ORDINANCE No. 2024-01:** Mr. Chapa and Mrs. Rempp will have a meeting with on November 14, 2024 with Cal-Recycle and Mid Valley Disposal to discuss the Ordinance. The Ordinance will be presented at the board meeting in November for approval.
7. **THE WATER DISTRIBUTION AND WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT:**
  - A. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING THE MONTHLY REPORT:** Mr. Chapa reported the well depths and drawdowns for September 2024: well #4 Static water level is at 104.27, and drawdown is 7.25; well #5 Static water level is at 104.03 and drawdown is at 9.18; well #6 Static water level is at 105.92 and drawdown is at 6.85. BOD removal 94.09% and TSS removal 97%. Freeboard pond level: #1-2.4ft, #2-2.0ft, #3-2.4ft, #4-6.2ft, #5-3.0ft, and #6-2.8ft. Mrs. Rempp has reported the quarterly well depths to the North Fork Kings Groundwater Sustainability Agency. The float in the wet well was repaired and is back in operation. The ponds are currently being dewatered and should take about a month to complete.
8. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING THE AUDIT OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2024, PREPARED BY RT DENNIS ACCOUNTANCY:** Mr. Garcia made a motion to approve the Audit of the Financial Statement for the year ending June 30, 2024. Mr. Wolfe seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.
9. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING THE AUDIT CONTRACT WITH RT DENNIS ACCOUNTANCY:** Mr. Garcia made a motion to approve the Audit contracts with Mr. Mizote revisions except for the Indemnification section. Mrs. Hall seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.
10. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING THE LCSD AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA) PROPOSED LCSD WATER METER PROJECT:** No updates to report.
11. **MONTHLY REPORT FROM JIM WEGLEY:** Mr. Wegley was absent and had nothing to report.

12. **MONTHLY SAFETY REPORT:** Mr. Chapa had no accidents or injuries to report.
13. **MONTHLY REPORT FROM THE GENERAL MANAGER:** Mr. Chapa reported that Lead and Copper water testing has been completed. The red truck smog testing will be completed within the next two weeks. The employees will no longer be able to get cash advances per the Board's decision.
14. **ADJOURN TO CLOSE SESSION:**
  - 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
15. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION REGARDING CLOSED SESSION ITEMS:** Mr. Chapa will notify the employee of the Board's decision.
16. **ADJOURNMENT:** Mr. Garcia adjourned the Board Meeting at 6:47 pm.

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