LAMONT PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, December 13, 2022 6:00 P.M.

Meeting Location: District Office 8624 Segrue Road Lamont CA, 93241

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

- a. Board President Tim Prado called to order the regular board meeting at 6:04 pm on Tuesday, December 13, 2022 at the office of the Lamont Public Utility District. All Directors were present with the exception of Director Jose Cruz, who was absent. Staff present included General Manager/District Secretary Scott Taylor and District Counsel Doug Gosling.
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance Led by President Prado.
- 3. Board Member Announcements
 - a. None.
- 4. Public Comment
 - a. None.
- 5. Staff Announcements Information Only
 - a. General Manager
 - i. Provided new District Boundary wall map requested by the Board. Map shows well sites and other requested data. Board pleased with map.
 - ii. Reported new online payment system working very well. Numerous created accounts and use increasing.
 - iii. Conducted swearing in of new term elected board members Jesus Alonso, Roberto Gonzalez and Miguel Sanchez.
 - iv. No will serve letters issued this month.
 - b. District Counsel
 - i. Counsel provided information regarding pending lawsuits relative to water rights and allocations. Also provide updates regarding disputes involving Kern River and interested agencies.

6. Consent Agenda

a. Director Gonzalez motioned for approval of consent calendar as presented. Seconded by Vice President Alonso. Approved 4-0.

7. Regular Agenda

- A. Information and Discussion Regarding Resolution of Tracie White Criminal Case.
 - i. General Manager provide information and details of plea bargain associated with Tracie White embezzlement case from District. Board members informed of details accordingly.
 - ii. Board made inquiries and expressed significant displeasure with decision of County DA office.
 - iii. Board members provided sentencing date for White and members expressed interest in attending.
- B. Action to Authorize General Manager to Submit CDBG Grant Application.
 - i. General Manager provided information indicating need and desire to submit application for CDBG grant funding for pipeline relocation into public right of way. Board was informed that a resolution from the Board is a required action for submittal of the application.
 - ii. Board made inquiries as to the nature, location and extent of project for grant application. Information provided accordingly including notation that project is included in District Master plan.
 - iii. Director Sanchez motioned to authorize General Manager to submit CDBG application and signs all documents necessary to execute funding if awarded. Seconded by Director Gonzalez.
 - iv. Motion approved 4-0.
- C. Action to Select New Officers of the Board for the Calendar Year 2023.
 - i. General Manager provided information regarding the need to select new officers of the Board for the new year. Board had discussions and then made nominations for new officers.
 - ii. Member Tim Prado was re-selected to act as President of the Board and Member Jesus Alonso was re-selected to act as Board Vice-President. Selection was unanimous.
 - iii. Tim Prado remains President of the Board. Jesus Alonso remains Vice-President of the Board.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Director Sanchez and seconded by Vice-President Alonso to adjourn the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Lamont Public Utility District, held on Tuesday, December 13, 2022, at 6:55pm. Approved 4-0.

Timoteo Prado Calderon, President

ATTEST:

Scott Taylor, Secretary/General Manager