Minutes Lakeway Municipal Utility District Board of Directors Meeting May 11, 2022

The Board of Directors met in REGULAR session at 9:30AM at 1097 Lohmans Crossing, Lakeway, Texas, with the following participating:

Directors Present:

John Sayre

Larry Burmeier Lawrence Christian

Don Goff Phil Lanier

Directors Absent:

None

Staff Present:

Earl Foster

Loyd Smith

Stephanie Threinen

QUORUM:

1. <u>Determine Quorum and Call to Order</u>

Meeting was called to order at 9:30 AM. Sayre declared a quorum of Directors present.

2. Pledge of Allegiance was led by Sayre.

CITIZENS

None

AGENDA ITEMS:

- 4. Discussion and possible action on canvassing of election for newly elected Board members and issuance of Certificates and Execution of Elected Officers by newly elected Board members.
 - Foster stated there were two newly elected Board members; Larry Burmeier and Phil Lanier and that Loyd Smith would take their Oaths and present certificates.
 - Smith took the Oaths and presented Certificates of Election to both new Board members.
 - No action was taken.
- 5. Discussion and possible action to approve Quote for DeZurik valves for Microfloc trident units at water plant.

- Foster said the two 12 inch valves that are being replaced; one is original from 2000, and the other was replaced in 2010. There are two 6 inch air valves that need to be replaced also. The total amount is \$50,476.
- Sayre asked if they were being replaced due to leakage; Foster replied that the air
 valves leak water back into where the blower is so we have to go back in and
 flush the water out. The other valves leak by so you don't get a constant good
 flow and it disrupts the plant as we are treating water. He added the air line valves
 are 20 years old.
- Citizen Kat Grady asked if LMUD planned for this type of thing; Sayre explained
 we have two types of improvements; those that are planned and have regular
 maintenance schedules. Then we have a fund that we keep for unexpected events.
- Foster added that anything over \$25K the Board has to approve.
- Goff asked if we had used this company before; Foster replied yes, we have used them for valves throughout the District.
- Goff moved to approve the quote as presented in the amount of \$50,476;
 Burmeier seconded.
- General Board discussion.
- Motion passed unanimously.
- 6. Discussion and possible action to approve Hoover Construction Pay App #6 Comet to 406 Lakeway Drive project #10.
 - Foster said they are completing the Lift Station on Corinthian this week and then moving to Sunfish.
 - Lanier asked if this portion of the project is about 50% complete; Foster replied yes.
 - Lanier moved to approve the project as presented \$29,215.30; Goff seconded.
 - General Board discussion.
 - Motion passed unanimously.
- 7. Discussion and possible action to approve Request for 11 single-family water and wastewater LUE's for Development on Rupin Dr.
 - Sayre said there is a big vacant space on the right side of Rupin if you are going down the hill and they are thinking about developing that.
 - Foster said this had been attempted several times in the past, and there are Water and Wastewater lines available. The City of Lakeway has temporarily approved and they need LMUD to confirm availability of water and wastewater to the property.
 - Sayre commented that we have to do this.
 - Lanier asked what the timeframe is; Foster replied perhaps early Summer once the City approves.
 - Sayre he imagined there would be some angry neighbors; Foster said very possible.

- Citizen Kat Grady asked if reuse was available to this new development; Sayre explained reuse is available only in certain areas at this time.
- Foster added that the closest reuse line is on Lakeway Blvd and is not feasible now for this project,
- Christian moved to approve the 11 LUE's as presented; Burmeier seconded.
- General Board Discussion
- Motion passed unanimously.
- 8. Discussion and action on status of Out of District pressure sewer system for Lakeway Phase 1 Secs. 1-17.
 - Foster said at the last Board meeting Burmeier had requested that the Board hear from Stephanie Threinen, Public Information Liaison with an update on the ODWW project, so we have put together a presentation that she will review with the Board.
 - Threinen reviewed the ODWW Project Workflow showing the key members of the team and noted that she is the primary contact for all customer communications. She reviewed the project check list as well as the connection process.
 - Sayre asked about early connection emergencies; Threinen replied that not all early connections are emergencies. Some are for new pools, new construction, remodels, etc.
 - Foster added that the Site Assessment is very detailed in defining customer responsibilities and is signed off by the customer to avoid future debates.
 - Sayre asked what is your success rate with negative feedback; Threinen replied there is always one, but the overall response is very positive.
 - Threinen mentioned that customers getting oil, grease, cloth etc. into the pumps causes issues; Sayre asked what we can do about it. Threinen replied we do have penalties defined in our Rate Order. Sayre asked if we have initiated any penalties and Threinen replied no.
 - Foster noted the hardest thing is garbage disposals; when customers put grease and oil down their disposals, it causes floats in the pumps to get hung up and creates stoppages.
 - Threinen reviewed the steps involved in completing each hook up.
 - Burmeier asked how many customers have had problems; Threinen replied minimal, but didn't have a count as we have been installing grinder pumps since 2018.
 - Citizen Kat Grady asked if the new ODWW hook ups are still Out of District after connection; Threinen replied yes, that all of the first 17 sections are Out of District.
 - Citizen Kat Grady said Out of District customers pay more; Sayre replied LMUD
 is just recovering costs. Foster added not only cost of installation, but increased
 plant capacity, etc.
 - Threinen reviewed comments from customers.

- Burmeier thanked Threinen for the presentation saying it was very helpful.
- · General Board discussion.
- · No action was taken.
- 9. Discussion and possible action on Financials, Calendar.
 - Foster reviewed financials at the 6 month point of LMUD's Fiscal Year saying the District is in good shape both in revenue and expense, but that inflation is hitting our expenses. Everything is up 3-7%, and it is showing.
 - Goff asked if inflation was considered in the budget process; Foster replied no, that we didn't think it would hit so hard this year. He added that no one foresaw the supply chain issues and the Ukrainian war and the \$4 per gallon gas prices.
 - Goff asked if inflation would be in next years budget; Foster replied definitely.
 - Sayre said you are doing very well,
 - Foster replied that there will be high usage this summer, and revenues will be strong.
 - Burmeier said thank goodness for the Task Force that Foster launched so that they don't empty the lake like they did before.
 - Sayre said the diagnosis is that we have enough water at least until next year, right?
 - Foster replied yes that more than likely the Rice Farmers will be cut off and there won't be a release next year.
 - Foster said we may need a special meeting in May that will be an Executive Session regarding the land sale and land purchase.
 - General Board discussion.
 - No action was taken.

CONSENT AGENDA- The following consent items may be approved by one Board vote. Any Director may pull consent items from the consent agenda for discussion.

Christian moved to approve the consent agenda; Lanier seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

10. Approve Minutes of Regular Board meeting April 13, 2022.

<u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

The meeting was adjourned at 10:17AM,

Loyd Smith, Finance/Administration Manager

Minutes approved on the 8th day of June 2022.

John Sayre, President, Board of Directors

ATTEST:

Don Goff, Secretary, Board of Directors