

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
LAGUNA MADRE WATER DISTRICT

The **REGULAR MEETING** of the **LAGUNA MADRE WATER DISTRICT** was held at the Administration Office of the District at 105 Port Road, Port Isabel, Texas on the **27th day of January 2010** at the hour of **6:00 p.m.**, pursuant to written notice as prescribed by law.

ITEM #1 **QUORUM**

The **CHAIRMAN** called the meeting to order and he determined the Notice of the Meeting had been duly posted in accordance with the law and the following present constituted a quorum:

Absent: Scott D. Friedman-Chairman
Rudy H. Garcia-Secretary- Arrived at 6:04 pm
Present: R. Kevin Tenison-Director
Jeff Keplinger-Director
Albert Barberena-Director

LMWD: Gavino Sotelo, General Manager; Pete Capistran, Finance Director; Maribel Hinojosa, Assistant to General Manager; J.A. Magallanes, Attorney.

ITEM #2 **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

MR. KEPLINGER asked everyone to recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

ITEM#3 **INVITATION TO AUDIENCE FOR DISCUSSION**

MR. KEPLINGER asked if there was anyone in the audience, not already on the agenda, who would like to address the board. No one responded.

ITEM#4 **CONSIDER AND APPROVE MINUTES FOR DECEMBER 9, 2009**

MR. KEPLINGER stated that **MR. GARCIA** arrived at 6:04 pm and took over the meeting. He stated to consider and approve minutes for Regular Meeting of December 9, 2009. A motion was made by **MR. TENISON** to approve minutes and seconded by **MR. KEPLINGER**. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

ITEM#5 **CONSIDER AND APPROVE LAGUNA HEIGHTS WATER STORAGE TANK #5 REHABILITATION PROJECT BID**

MR. GARCIA stated to consider and approve Laguna Heights Water Storage Tank #5 Rehabilitation Project Bid. **MR. MARTINEZ** stated that they had advertised and solicited sealed proposals for the **LAGUNA HEIGHTS WATER STORAGE TANK #5 REHABILITATION PROJECT BID**. He said that eight bidders responded with the lowest bid from **J & A COATING, LLC**, was the lowest bidder with \$189,373.00 but had concerns regarding their ability to complete the project at the price they bid. He stated that after reviewing their bid, it became apparent that they did not include nearly enough money in their estimates to provide proper containment and washing of the tank and therefore requested to be released from the bid. He said that staff recommended awarding the bid to the seconded lowest bidder **WHITEHEAD BROTHERS PAINTING** with a total base bid of \$288,410.00 and also recommended Additive Bid Item #1 for \$1,500.00 and #2 for \$12,500.00 be awarded if necessary per the contract documents. A motion was made by **MR. KEPLINGER** to approve bid to seconded lowest bidder and the motion was seconded by **MR. TENISON**. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

ITEM#6 **CONSIDER AND APPROVE TO RATIFY EMERGENCY REPAIRS TO SEWER LINE VIDEO CAMERA**

MR. GARCIA stated to consider and approve to ratify emergency repairs to Sewer Line Video Camera. **MR. MARTINEZ** stated that staff recommended ratifying emergency repairs expense to Sewer Line Video Camera which was used to televise sewer mains in larger diameter sizes up to 8" and also to locate sewer taps. He said the inspection the camera malfunctioned and was sent in for repairs for a total of \$5,930.00. A motion was made by **MR. TENISON** to approve to ratify emergency repairs to Sewer Line Video Camera and the motion was seconded by **MR. BARBERENA**. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

