

Lost Hills Utility District

Meeting Minutes

May 4, 2023

- I. The Meeting was called to order by Board President Vidal Ballesteros at 5PM. Board Members in attendance were Carlos Garcia Jr., Daisy Garcia and Pioquinto Garza, please note Board member Rosario Villasana was only present at the continued meeting of May 8 . Also in attendance were Thomas Schroeter, Amando Garza, Alejandro Ruiz, Yuliana Velazquez and Ana Chavez.
- II. Approval of Minutes April 6, 2023.
Motion: Pioquinto Garza made a motion to Approve Minutes as Submitted. Carlos Garcia seconds the motion. All Board Members present in favor, Motion carried.
- III. District's Financial Report- March 2023.
Sewer Month Profit: \$8,696.76 Year Profit: \$53245.27
Water Month Loss: (\$26,139.89) Year Profit: \$204,306.32
- IV. Public Time for Non-Agenda Items
Ana – comments on colored water and dark clothing decoloring. Also wants copy of resolution stating District can increase sewer rates without any Prop 218 procedures.
Jesus Alonso- wanted to know if District has any update on the semitropic water storage agreement.
- V. New Business
 1. Cannon Engineers recommendations:
 - (a) Consideration for replacement of Flower Shop Sewer Lateral
Motion: Pioquinto Garza made a motion to continue meeting to Monday at 5PM to have the video results and determine what needs to be done. Carlos Garcia Jr, seconds the motion. All Board Members present in favor, Motion carried. This item was discussed in the continued meeting of May 8th.
 - (b) Consider water pipeline relocation payment request
No action taken.
 2. Consideration of identification of capital projects and revise “unrestricted funds” to “restricted funds”
No action taken.
 3. Report on postponement of loan payment to the California Department of Transportation
No action taken.
 4. Report on execution of soccer sewer easement
We have not received the signed easement. Manuel Cantu will report on this at the next meeting.
 5. Report on transfer of registration of office trailers
Manuel Cantu will check on this and report on this at the next meeting.
 6. Report on SWP Table A water, Article 21 water, and Lower River Water availability
Any water we get from title 21 we will bank it with Semitropic, 135 ac.
 7. District Manager Agenda
 - (a) Consideration for services request from Gerardo Reyes
Board- at the moment the District is not issuing will serve letters, keep in contact with the District to know the latest updates.
 - (b) Consideration to Appoint Budget Committee
Board appointed Vidal Ballesteros and Carlos Garcia Jr.
 - (c) Report on 2nd Home Illegal Connections
Staff will start to work on a list of new second illegal connections.
 - (d) Report on 2022 Consumer Confidence Report
Report was mailed out May 1st along with the billing.
 - (e) Consideration to Authorize District Manager to Attend the General Manager Leadership Summit
No action taken.

(f) Consider Utility Maintenance Worker pay rate

Motion: Pioquinto Garza made a motion to Approve pay rate presented by staff and authorize District Manager Ana Chavez and Facilities Manager Alex to interview & hire to fill open position. Carlos Garcia Jr. seconds the motion. All Board Members present in favor, motion carried.

8. Facilities Manager Agenda

None

9. CLOSED SESSION:

TIME IN: 6:36PM. TIME OUT: 7:08PM.

(a) Conference with Legal Counsel regarding initiation of litigation pursuant to paragraph (4) of Subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9: One potential case

(b). Conference with Labor Negotiators

Agency designated representatives: District Manager

Unrepresented employee: Accounts Receivable Clerk

Motion: Pioquinto Garza made a motion to Approve Yuliana Velazquez hourly rate to \$18.32. Carlos Garcia Jr. seconds the motion. All Board Members present in favor, Motion carried.

10. Date and location of June 2023 meeting

June 1, 2023

11. Staff Reports

Report provided to Board.

12. Customer Request &/ Complaints

None.

13. Delinquency Report

Shut off list for the following accounts; 1023,1040,1084,1095,1118,1169,1185,1200,1214,1269,1271, 1279,1304,1315,1343,1350,1361,1391,1394,1407.

VI. Maintenance & Operations Report

Alejandro Ruiz-Wastewater

Report provided to Board.

Alejandro Ruiz-Water

Report provided to Board.

VII. Board Members Report

None

VIII. Engineer Report - Amando Garza

None

IX. Next Board Meeting- **June 1, 2023.**

X. Approval of Accounts Payable – **April 2023.**

Motion: Carlos Garcia Jr. made a motion to Approve April 2023 Accounts Payable Daisy Garcia seconds the motion. All Board Member present in favor, Motion carried. .

XI. Meeting adjourned at 7:09PM.

Respectfully Submitted,



Ana I. Chavez

District Manager