

Lost Hills Utility District
Meeting Minutes
June 2, 2022

I. The meeting was called to order by Board President Vidal Ballesteros. Board Members in attendance were Carlos Garcia Jr., Pioquinto Garza, Rosario Velasquez, and Daisy Garcia. Also in attendance were Thomas Schroeter, Amando Garza, Alejandro Ruiz, Yuliana Velazquez, and Ana Chavez.

II. Approval of Minutes- April 21 & May 11, 2022.

Motion: Rosario Velasquez made a motion to Approve Minutes as submitted. Carlos Garcia Jr., seconds the motion. All Board Members present in favor, Motion carried.

III. District's Financial Reports - April 2022

Sewer Month Profit: \$6,541.35 Year Profit: \$34,902.06

Water Month Profit: \$27,201.51 Year Profit: \$162,503.11

IV. Public Time for Non-Agenda Items

Jesus Alonso-asked how many applications the District had with the State Revolving Fund and what was the status. District Engineer/Amando Garza- The District has two applications, one for the design of the wastewater plant and one for the sewer relocations project, both applications are in process.

V. New Business

1. Public hearing on proposed application of construction cost index to water rates

Staff-presented a total count of 240 signatures of opposition, 1 letter was submitted which will also be included after staff verifies customer hasn't already submitted his signature with the petition signatures. District Attorney/Tom Schroeter- I briefly scan all signatures and notice several only had their name printed, I would recommend staff verifies their signature. Board- Directed staff to go to the customer's homes and verify signatures. Motion: Rosario Velasquez made a motion to close total count of signatures for the Public Hearing and continue this item for the next regular meeting, to confirm opposition signatures submitted.

2. Cannon Engineers Agenda Items

(a) Consideration of staff recommendation regarding costs for the PG&E True-up and the Tesla costs.

Amando Garza – recommends doing a simple study of the electrical cost from PG & E and Tesla to determine if it would be good for the District to install additional solar panels at the water treatment plant since the True Up bills have been very high. Motion: Pioquinto Garza made a motion to authorize Amando Garza to conduct electric audit. Daisy Garcia seconds the motion. All Board Members present in favor, Motion carried.

(b) Consideration of payment request no. 4 for Bakersfield Well and Pump for electrical on Well #3.

Motion: Carlos Garcia Jr. made a motion to Approve Pay Request No.4. Rosario Velasquez second the motion. All Board Members present in favor, Motion carried.

3. Report on acceptance and irrevocable offer of dedication for improvements

Tom- letter has not been received from Wonderful.

4. Report on sewer relocation cost funding

Staff – Environmental documents have been submitted, application process take a long time.

5. Report on transfer of trailer registrations

Tom- Trailer registrations have not been received.

6. Report on Opioid settlement

Nothing new to report.

7. District Manager Report

None

8. Facilities Manager Agenda

(a) Report on office sign

Sign company estimates sign to be up mid-June.

9. CLOSED SESSION:

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

Board went into closed session at 5:40pm and came out of closed session at 5:56pm.

District Legal Counsel/Tom Schroeter- there was no reportable action in closed session.

10. Date and location of July, 2022 meeting

July 7, 2022 at District Office.

11. Staff Reports

None

12. Customer Request &/ Complaints

None

13. Delinquency Report

Accounts No.1023, 1060, 1081, 1095, 1107, 1146, 1148, 1192, 1200, 1214, 1228, 1262, 1269, 1279, 1341, 1350 & 1391. Board if customers do not pay their account in full – staff is authorized to do shut offs.

VI. Maintenance & Operations Report

Wastewater- one lift pump gave out, it appears it was wired wrong, pump is still under warranty. New grinder has been installed but had a problem on the disconnection wire, currently getting quotes to get it repair.

Water- one of the BacT's came back with a possible contamination, re-tested water and result came back negative. Berrenda Mesa area – new motor on pumps, pressure vessel gave out.

VII. Board Members Report

None

VIII. Engineer Report – Amando Garza

Everything has already been covered.

IX. Next Board Meeting – July 7, 2022.

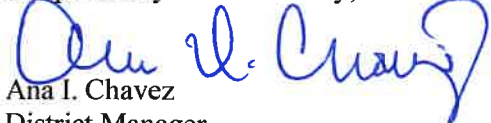
X. Approval of Accounts Payable – May 2022.

Add translation services from Marisol Jimenez.

Motion: Rosario Velasquez made a motion to Approve May 2022 Accounts Payable. Carlos Garcia Jr. seconds the motion. All Board Members present in favor, Motion carried.

XI. Meeting Adjourned at 5:58PM.

Respectfully Submitted by,



Ana I. Chavez

District Manager

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