

Lost Hills Utility District

Minutes

May 2, 2024

I. The meeting was called to order by Board Vice President Daisy Garcia at 5:00PM. Board Directors in attendance were Rosario Villasana, Ana Martinez, and Pioquinto Garza. Also in attendance were Thomas Schroeter, Amando Garza, Alejandro Ruiz and Ana Chavez.

II. Approval of Minutes – April 4, 2024.

Motion: Pioquinto Garza made a motion to Approve Minutes as submitted. Ana Martinez seconds the motion. All Board Directors present in favor, Motion carried.

III. District's Financial Report – March 2024

Sewer Month Profit: \$14,260.42 Year Profit: \$43,796.61

Water Month Profit: \$52.62 Year Profit: \$177,469.02

IV. Public Time for Non-Agenda Items

Ariana with Wonderful/Government Affairs

Introduced herself and will be attending future meetings to collaborate with LHUD on future projects for the community, at the moment they are working on a grant application to bring broadband Infrastructure to Lost Hills which would help internet be more accessible to our community.

V. New Business

1. Report on State Water Project status

State Water Project water has been increased to 40% this year.

2. Cannon Engineers recommendations:

(a) Well No. 3-proposed amendment for Sanli Engineering to finalize connections related to the VFD in the amount of \$7,980.00

Motion: Ana Martinez made a Motion to Approve Sanli Engineering Agreement. Rosario Villasana seconds the motion. All Board Directors present in favor, Motion carried.

3. Report on grant to pay CalTrans loan

Financial review has been completed and cleared by the state, now they are requesting we update the Financial Budget Approval Form & update all the information previously submitted under this category.

4. Report on Tesla annexation and Sphere Amendment

Annexation is currently in progress with LAFCO.

5. Report on Lost Hills Community Services District formation

Hearing for the formation of the CSD is scheduled for May 15th.

6. Consideration of purchase of 2 acre feet of water from the West Side Water Authority relating to the San Joaquin River Exchange

Motion: Rosario Villasana made a Motion to Approve purchase of 2 acre feet of water in the San Joaquin River Contractors Exchange Program. Pioquinto Garza seconds the motion. All Board Directors present in favor, Motion carried.

7. Consideration of payment of water recharge fees for 2023 by Kern County Water Agency

Motion: Ana Martinez made a motion to Approve payment to recharge fees to Kern County Water Agency. Pioquinto Garza seconds the motion. All Board Directors present in favor, Motion carried.

8. District Manager Agenda

(a) Consideration to Amend Silvestre Gonzalez WSL & Consider Payment Installments for

Connection Fees

No action taken, to be continued next month.

(b) Consideration to Charge Connection Fees to existing Second Homes/ADU's

No action taken.

(c) Consideration to allow Connection Fees Payment Installments for Phillip Esnoz

Motion: Rosario Villasana made a Motion to Approve payment installment of 24 months. Ana Martinez seconds the motion. All Board Directors present in favor, Motion carried.

(d) Consider Report to Semitropic WSD on Well Meters Calibrations

Calibrations report has been received, and the East Well showed to be over reading by 5%.

(e) Report on Violation of Lead & Copper Rule

Alejandro Ruiz will be collecting 20 lead and copper samples by June 30th, and a second set between July – December 2024.

(f) Report on 2023 Consumer Confidence Report

Report will be mailed out with the billing on June 1st along with the Notice of monitoring violation of the lead and copper rule.

(g) Report on Rosario Reyes Revised WSL

Letter has been emailed to Mrs. Reyes.

(h) Report on District's Federal Tax ID Issue

The IRS is requesting a Power of Attorney be signed in order to release any information of the District Federal Tax ID Numbers. Motion: Rosario Villasana made a Motion to Approve Authorizing Ana Chavez and Mark Albert as Authorized Representatives for the District and Authorize President to sign Power of Attorney. Ana Martinez seconds the motion. All Board Directors present in favor, Motion carried.

(i) Report on Purple Monitor Data Requirements & CCAC MOU

No action taken.

(j) Report on Budget Committee

Committee will meet later this month.

(k) Report on DAC Representative Election of Poso Creek IRWMG

No action taken.

(l) Consider Request from Juan Aldaco to Re-Active Services

Motion: Rosario Villasana made a motion to Approve Request to re-activate water & sewer services to property subject to customer paying full outstanding balance, they will have 1 year to start using water and develop in the property to keep their water service. Pioquinto Garza seconds the motion. All Board Directors present in favor, Motion carried.

9. Facilities Manager Agenda

(a) Consideration to post new job opening for maintenance worker

Motion: Rosario Villasana made a Motion to Approve Posting of Maintenance Worker at \$18/hour. Pioquinto Garza seconds the motion. All Board Directors present in favor, Motion carried.

(b) Consideration to budget for new pickup

No action taken.

(c) Consideration on budgeting to contract labor for completion of LCRR

Alejandro Ruiz will get bids for the work.

(d) Consideration to replenish filter media

Alejandro Ruiz – Media samples have been sent to Filtronics and we are waiting on the results.

10. Date and location of June, 2024 meeting

June 6, 2024.

11. Staff Reports - None

12. Customer Request &/ Complaints - None

13. Delinquency Report

Accounts No.1023,1081,1091,1093,1128,1135,1175,1200,1214,1231,1269,1281,1330 & 1349.

VI. Maintenance & Operations Report

Alejandro Ruiz-Wastewater- Report was presented to the Board.

Alejandro Ruiz-Water – Report was presented to the Board.

VII. Board Members Report - None

VIII. Engineer Report - Amando Garza

IX. Next Board Meeting- **June 6, 2024.**

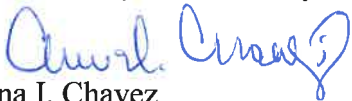
X. Approval of Accounts Payable – **April 2024.**

Add Meyer Engineering for \$1,479.80

Motion: Rosario Villasana made a motion to Approve April 2024 Accounts Payable. Pioquinto Garza seconds the motion. All Board Members present in favor, Motion carried.

XI. Meeting Adjourned at 6:19PM.

Respectfully Submitted by,



Ana I. Chavez

District Manager

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