

**Minutes of Proceedings
Regular Board Meeting
La Feria Utilities Board
Tuesday, August 10, 2010**

Be it known that the Board of Directors of the City of La Feria Utilities Board met in regular session on **Tuesday, August 10, 2010, at 5:15 P.M.** in the City Commission Meeting Room, 115 East Commercial Avenue, La Feria, Texas 78559. The purpose of said meeting was to consider and take action on those items of Utilities Board business as was duly posted by agenda in accordance with the State Open Meetings Law. The following Board Members were present at said meeting:

Mr. Adolfo Lopez	Chairman
Ms. Betty Jo Dunlap	Vice Chairman
Mr. Ovidio Saldivar	Board Member
Mr. Ralph Muse	Board Member
Mr. Steve Brewer	Mayor/Ex-Officio Member

The following staff members were present at said meeting:

Mr. Sunny K. Philip	City Manager
Ms. Irene Szedlmayer	Planning and Community Dev. Director
Ms. Maria Chavero	Finance Director
Ms. Olga Oberwetter	City Secretary

The only other person present at the meeting was Mary Beth Wright.

At 5:20 P.M., Board Chairman Mr. Adolfo Lopez asked all present to rise and recite aloud the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America. After this was done, Mr. Lopez declared that a quorum of the Board was present and called the meeting to order.

**CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION TO APPROVE MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
OF THE PREVIOUS REGULAR MEETING OF THE LA FERIA UTILITIES
BOARD HELD ON JULY 13, 2010**

After review of the minutes, Mr. Ralph Muse moved to approve the minutes of proceedings of the previous regular meeting of the La Feria Utilities Board held on Tuesday, July 13, 2010. Ms. Betty Jo Dunlap seconded the motion, and the motion carried by unanimous vote of the Board.

FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR THE MONTH OF JULY 2010

Finance Director Ms. Maria Chavero reviewed the financial reports for the month of July 2010. She reviewed the monthly and year-to-date figures for the month on the Budget vs. Actual reports. Ms. Chavero said there would probably be a special meeting of the Utilities Board to take action on the budget amendment for the current year and the budget for the new fiscal year. Ms. Chavero then reviewed the performance measures.

After review, Chairman Adolfo Lopez announced that the reports would be filed for audit.

REPORT BY STAFF

- **Water and Wastewater System Improvements projects**
- **Status of Texas Water Development Board application for funding**

City Manager Sunny K. Philip reported the following:

- As of today, the SLC Contractor does not have anyone working on this project. All the sewer lines are in and what is left to be done to complete the project are the lift stations. Subcontractors have filed with the bonding company for payment. The lift station along Beddoes Road by the new school is almost complete and service to the school should be available when it opens. Ninety-eight percent of the work on this project is complete.
- R.P. Constructors has begun work on the Filter Replacement Project at the Water Treatment Plant, and it should be complete in four or five months.
- Mr. Philip explained some of the issues with the levels of Trihalomethanes (THM's) exceeding the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) limit and the solutions to remedy the situation.
- There were two applications submitted to the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) for the water system and two applications for the wastewater system. If awarded funding would be 70% grant and 30% loan. Mayor Brewer and Mr. Philip met with TWDB and have expressed the need for 100% grant.
- Mayor Brewer inquired about the status of the generator project. He said the concrete foundation is being poured. Mr. Philip responded that the project should be complete in a period of about 90 days.
- There are still some applications pending with USDA.
- Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and North American Development Bank (NADB) officials will be visiting La Feria on August 17, 2010 at 2:00 o'clock.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Board Chairman Mr. Adolfo Lopez declared the public comment session open. No one signed up to speak before the board, so Mr. Lopez declared the public comment session closed.

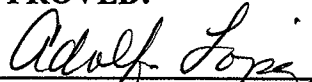
ACTION FOR ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to conduct, Mr. Ralph Muse moved for adjournment of the meeting. Mr. Ovidio Saldivar seconded the motion, and the motion carried by unanimous vote of the Board.

ADJOURNMENT – BOARD CHAIRMAN


Board Chairman Mr. Adolfo Lopez adjourned the meeting at 5:50 P.M.

APPROVED:



 Adolfo Lopez, Board Chairman

ATTEST:



Olga Oberwetter, City Secretary

These minutes were prepared and filed with the City of La Feria as official record of the Utilities Board at
10:30 AM on August 28, 2010.



Olga Oberwetter, City Secretary

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