

**Minutes of Proceedings
Regular Board Meeting
La Feria Utilities Board
Tuesday, November 1, 2011**

Be it known that the Board of Directors of the City of La Feria Utilities Board met in regular session on **Tuesday, November 1, 2011, 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:

	Ms. Betty Jo Dunlap	Vice Chairman
	Mr. Ralph Muse	Board Member
	Mr. Ovidio Saldivar	Board Member
Absent:	Mr. Adolfo Lopez	Chairman
	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 this meeting was Mrs. Helen Muse.

At 5:20 P.M., Board Vice Chairman Ms. Betty Jo Dunlap 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, Ms. Dunlap 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 REGULAR MEETING OF THE LA FERIA UTILITIES BOARD HELD ON TUESDAY OCTOBER 11, 2011

After review of the minutes, Mr. Ralph Muse moved to approve the minutes of proceedings of the regular meeting of the La Feria Utilities Board held on Tuesday, October 11, 2011 as presented in written form. Mr. Ovidio Saldivar seconded the motion, and the motion carried by unanimous vote of the board members present.

CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION BY THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE CITY OF LA FERIA PUBLIC UTILITIES BOARD AUTHORIZING AN INTERLOCAL COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE BOARD AND THE CITY OF LA FERIA, TEXAS; AND OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH

City Manager Sunny K. Philip explained that this resolution is in reference to the presentation that Ms. Anne Burger Entrekin of First Southwest Company made to the board at a previous meeting concerning the issuance of Certificates of Obligation Bonds. The resolution authorizing the interlocal agreement with the City would allow the City to go ahead and issue the Certificates of Obligation Bonds. Mr. Philip said there would be no actual amount of money exchanged from the Utilities Fund to the City, but it is necessary to have this agreement in place. Mr. Ralph Muse moved to approve the Utilities Board Resolution 2011-03 authorizing an Interlocal Cooperative Agreement between the Board and the City of La Feria, Texas; and other matters in connection therewith. Mr. Ovidio Saldivar seconded the motion, and the motion carried by unanimous vote of the board members present.

CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION TO RECOMMEND TO THE CITY COMMISSION TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH THE DEVELOPER OF ANOTHER CLOSET FOR THE UPGRADING OF WATER MAIN FROM 8 INCHES TO 10 INCHES AND FOR THE ADDITION OF FIRE HYDRANTS

City Manager Sunny K. Philip said that there has been discussion previously about Another Closet moving into La Feria. They have submitted a subdivision plat and the Planning and Zoning Commission and the City Commission have approved it. They will be developing on the west side of Bixby Road on the south side of the Expressway. They need to extend the water line from the Closner Subdivision and they will be paying for the extension of the line, but they are only required to place 8 inch lines. The City's Comprehensive Plan calls for a 10 inch line and the City will pay for the upgrade from the 8 inches to 10 inches. The City has a period of one year to pay the contractor for the upgrade, but it will probably be paid sooner than that. Mr. Ralph Muse moved to recommend to the City Commission to enter into an agreement with the developer of Another Closet for the upgrading of water main from 8 inches to 10 inches and for the addition of fire hydrants. Mr. Ovidio Saldivar seconded the motion, and the motion carried by unanimous vote of the board members present.

REPORTS BY STAFF

• **Water and Wastewater System Improvements Projects**

City Manager Sunny K. Philip reported that the SLC project was finally completed. The other item on Water and Wastewater System Improvements Projects is that the engineers are continuing the design for the TWDB \$15,000,000.00 projects. The Texas Water Development Board has a "Green Project Requirement" and the water main which we will replace from the plant to the tower is an asbestos line and they want the City to submit some additional information for "Green" designation. The holdup at this time on this project is the CCN issue.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Board Vice Chairman Ms. Betty Jo Dunlap declared the public comment session open. No one signed up to speak before the board, so Ms. Dunlap declared the public comment session closed.

ACTION FOR ADJOURNMENT

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


ADJOURNMENT – BOARD CHAIRMAN

Board Vice Chairman Ms. Betty Jo Dunlap adjourned the meeting at 6:34 P.M.

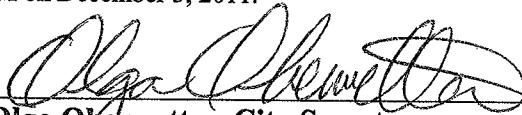
APPROVED:


Betty Jo Dunlap, Board Vice 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 December 3, 2011.


Olga Oberwetter, City Secretary

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