

**Minutes of Proceedings
Regular Board Meeting
La Feria Utilities Board
Tuesday, March 11, 2014**

Be it known that the Board of Directors of the City of La Feria Utilities Board met in regular session on **Tuesday, March 11, 2014, 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. Ralph Muse	Board Member
Mr. Ovidio Saldivar	Board Member
Mr. Victor Gonzalez, Jr.	Mayor/Ex-Officio Member

The following staff members were present at said meeting:

Mr. Sunny K. Philip	City Manager
Ms. Maria Chavero	Finance Director
Ms. Paula Rodriguez	Planning and Community Dev. Director
Ms. Esmeralda Sanchez	Capital Projects Coordinator
Ms. Olga Oberwetter	City Secretary

There was no one else present at this meeting.

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.

**REVIEW AND TAKE ACTION TO APPROVE MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS
OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE LA FERIA UTILITIES BOARD HELD
ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2014**

After review of the minutes, Ms. Betty Jo Dunlap moved to approve the minutes of proceedings of the regular meeting of the La Feria Utilities Board held on Tuesday, February 11, 2014 as presented in written form. Mr. Ralph Muse seconded the motion, and the motion carried by unanimous vote of the board.

**CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION TO ACCEPT THE ANNUAL AUDIT FOR
FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2013**

City Manager Mr. Sunny K. Philip introduced Mr. Quentin Anderson from the accounting firm of Long Chilton, LLP. Mr. Anderson said that there are some standards that have changed during the year that changed the format of this report, but the essence of the opinion is the same. There are some new accounting policies that were required to be adopted, Statement #63 and Statement #65. The new policies changed the name of the financial statement to "Statement of Net Position" instead of "Statement of Net Assets."

Another change was that when selling bonds, the cost for the bond issuance must be expensed at the time of sale. Mr. Quentin Anderson reviewed the various statements in the report. He reviewed the forgivable loan from the Texas Water Development Board for Water and Sewer Improvements which he said must all be spent by November 2014. Mr. Anderson also reviewed the Debt Service Statement. Mr. Anderson commented on the Auditors' Responsibility in regards to the Audit Report and referred to the Independent Auditors' Opinion which stated that in their opinion, the financial statements referred to in the report "present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the business-type activities of the City of La Feria, Texas Waterworks and Sewer System, as of September 30, 2013 and 2012, and the respective changes in financial position and cash flows thereof for the years then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America." After the review of the Audit Report, Mr. Ralph Muse moved to accept the Annual Audit for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2013. Mr. Ovidio Saldivar seconded the motion, and the motion carried by unanimous vote of the board. Board Chairman Mr. Adolfo Lopez thanked Mr. Anderson for his report.

FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY 2014

Finance Director Ms. Maria Chavero reviewed the financial reports for the month of February 2014 with the board, reviewing both the monthly and year-to-date figures. Ms. Chavero then reviewed the Performance Indicators for the month. After review and all questions answered, Board Chairman Mr. Adolfo Lopez announced that the reports would be filed for audit.

REPORTS BY STAFF AND DISCUSSION WITH THE BOARD

- **Water and Wastewater Systems Improvement Project**

City Manager Sunny K. Philip reported the following:

- Water and Wastewater Systems Improvement Project – Mr. Philip reported that at the previous meeting a lengthy report on the projects was presented so this would be a short report. The contractor doing the water line installations is Cornett Construction from San Benito and they are doing a good job.

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. Ms. Betty Jo Dunlap 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 5:42 P.M.

APPROVED:



Adolfo Lopez, 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
9:14 AM on April 7, 2014.



Olga Oberwetter, City Secretary

