Minutes of Proceedings Regular Board Meeting La Feria Utilities Board Tuesday, April 11, 2017

Be it known that the Board of Directors of the City of La Feria Utilities Board met in regular session on <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>April 11</u>, <u>2017</u>, <u>at 5:15 P.M.</u> 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

Ms. Betty Jo Dunlap

Mr. Ovidio Saldivar

Mr. Ralph Muse

Chairman

Vice Chairman

Board Member

Board Member

Ms. Esmeralda Lozano Ex-Officio Member

The following staff members were present at said meeting:

Mr. Jaime S. Sandoval
Ms. Amanda Morales
Mr. Frank Rios
Ms. Paula Rodriguez

City Manager
City Secretary
Finance Director
Planning Director

Board Chairman Adolfo Lopez asked all present to rise and recite the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America. He then declared that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at 5:15 PM

PUBLIC COMMENTS

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

REVIEW AND TAKE ACTION TO APPROVE MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE LA FERIA UTILITIES BOARD HELD ON TUESDAY MARCH 14, 2017.

Mr. Lopez and Ms. Dunlap noted a misspelling and a correction to the minutes. Mr. Saldivar made a motion to approve the minutes for the meeting held March 14, 2017 with the noted corrections. The motion was seconded by Ms. Dunlap and passed unanimously.

DISCUSSION REGARDING THE CITY OF LA FERIA'S OPERATION, MAINTENANCE AND MANAGEMENT OF THE WATER AND WASTEWATER FACILITIES AND LIFT STATIONS.

Mr. Sandoval explained that in January the City Commission approved for Severn Trent to do an evaluation of the City's water and wastewater facilities and lift stations at no cost and report their findings to the Commission. The staff at the water and wastewater treatment plants are still employed by the City of La Feria. The Plants, Lift stations, and all equipment are still the property of the City of La Feria. The evaluation prepared by Severn Trent will be presented at the first City Commission Meeting in May. There was no action taken on this item.

PRESENTATION OF FINANCIAL REPORT.

Mr. Rios presented the board with the revenues collected and expenditures made during the month of March. There was no action taken on this item.

UPDATE ON ONGOING PROJECTS

Mr. Alfonso Gonzalez of Sigler, Winston & Greenwood informed the board members that the waterline expansion along business 83 was going along as planned and would be completed on time. He also noted that the waterline expansion project includes nearly eleven miles of waterlines and eight miles of sewerlines throughout the city. There was no action on this item.

ADJOURN.

There being no further business to discuss, Mr. Muse made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Saldivar and it passed unanimously.

APPROVED:

Adolfo Lopez, Board Chairman

ATTEST:

Amanda Morales, City Secretary