

**Minutes of Proceedings
Regular Board Meeting
La Feria Utilities Board
Tuesday, January 12, 2016**

Be it known that the Board of Directors of the City of La Feria Utilities Board met in regular session on Tuesday, January 12, 2016, 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. Victor Gonzalez, Jr.	Mayor/Ex-Officio Member

The following Board Members were absent from said meeting:

Mr. Ovidio Saldivar	Board Member
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The following staff members were present at said meeting:

Mr. Sunny K. Philip	City Manager
Ms. Paula Rodriguez	Planning & Community Dev. Director
Ms. Kin Mendoza	Finance Director
Ms. Esmeralda Sanchez	City Secretary

Other person present at the meeting was Helen Muse.

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 5:19 PM

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Board Chairman 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.

REVIEW AND TAKE ACTION TO APPROVE MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE LA FERIA UTILITIES BOARD HELD ON TUESDAY DECEMBER 8, 2015.

A copy of the minutes was available for review. Following discussion, Mr. Ralph Muse made a motion to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded by Ms. Betty Jo Dunlap, and passed by unanimous vote of the Board Members present.

FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR THE MONTHS OF NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER 2015.

Finance Director Kin Mendoza reviewed the reports for November and December 2015. Following discussion, Mr. Lopez, Board Chairman announced the reports filed for audit.

REPORTS BY STAFF

- **WATER AND WASTE WATER IMPROVEMENTS**

Mr. Philip reported the following:

Cornett Construction is completing the last of the water line installations on the west side. The next phase of the project involves testing. Pending water related contracts include Motor Control Center at the Water Treatment Plant. This work should leave enough funds to hook up customers via a change order to an existing contract.

Saenz Brothers Construction is moving along on the sewer system improvements. The ground water has kept them busy in some areas. They will be moving on to the Main Street area in about another month.

The contract awarded to JM Construction is pending TWDB approval for execution.

The TWDB visited the project sites on Wednesday January 6th. They also visited the nature park and we drove them through the colonia areas benefiting from their funds. They were please to see our projects under construction and to see the improvement to the residents in the areas impacted by the projects.

Construction of the new office at the Water Treatment Plant should begin next week.

Mayor Gonzalez inquired about an overlay for Memorial Street. That road improvement is not part of the water/wastewater projects, but there will be bond money available for such improvements.

Mr. Loped declared that no official action was required as a result of these reports.

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 Members present.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Adolfo Lopez adjourned the meeting at 5:44 P.M.

APPROVED:



 Adolfo Lopez, Board Chairman

ATTEST:

Esmeralda R. Sánchez, City Secretary

These minutes were prepared and filed with the City of La Feria as official record of the Utilities Board at 8:00 PM on February 6, 2016.

Esmeralda R. Sánchez, City Secretary