MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE LAKESIDE WATER DISTRICT HELD ON June 4, 2024

At the time and place provided by law for the holding of a Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Lakeside Water District; to-wit at the meeting place of said Board at 10375 Vine Street, Lakeside, California, at 5:30 p.m. the Board duly convened, the following members present.

Directors:

Frank Hilliker Pete Jenkins Steve Johnson Eileen Neumeister Steve Robak

Secretary:

Brett Sanders

- 1) Call to Order by Board President Hilliker.
- 2) Prayer/Invocation Director Johnson introduced Pastor Bill Bottker to provide the prayer for the night's meeting.
- 3) Pledge of Allegiance The pledge was led by Director Neumeister
- 4) Approval of Agenda. Motion by Director Jenkins to accept the agenda as submitted.

Motion: Jenkins Second: Robak Vote: Ayes 5 Hilliker, Jenkins, Johnson, Neumeister, Robak Noes 0 Abstain 0 Absent 0

- 5) Opportunity for Public Comment Pertaining to Items <u>Not</u> on the Agenda (Items must meet the requirements of Government Code Section 54954.2). No Comments.
- 6) Approve Minutes of a Regular Meeting held on April 30, 2024. Motion by Director Robak to approve the as presented.

Motion:	Robak		Second: Johnson
Vote:	Ayes	5	Hilliker, Jenkins, Johnson, Neumeister, Robak
	Noes	0	
	Abstain	0	
	Absent	0	

- 7) Review the April 2024 Treasurers Report for the Annual Audit. Request to Note and File in Preparation. Approved to Note and File
- 8) Operations Report General Manager Sanders reported:
 - a. Toyon Hills PL RPL. Asphalt work has been completed. Project complete. .

- b. Well 8 Rehabiltation. Pump testing is complete and is ready for the pump to be set.
- c. Valle Vista PRV Installation: District crews are working on the upgrade of an existing pressure reducing valve on Valle Vista that will increase the size of valve to a 6".
- d. District crews are starting to organize the yard in preparation of the 100 year anniversary event in August.
- AWP Pipeline Installation. Contractor has slowed down on Mapleview. Next area is Channel Rd. Bridge and is currently under construction.
 0 Mainbreak, 1 Service Leak, 0 Fire Hydrants
- 9) Adopt Resolution 24-09 Establishing a Tax Appropriations Limit for the District for the Fiscal Year 2024-2025. General Manager Sanders presented that this action by the Board will be an annual action to maintain the District's ability to receive property tax assessments due to the District. Motion by Director Jenkins to approve the new revised appropriation limit as presented.

Motion: Jenkins			Second: Neumeister
Vote:	Ayes Noes Abstain Absent	5 0 0 0	Hilliker, Jenkins, Johnson, Neumeister, Robak

10) Consider Vine Wells No. 7 and 8 Rehabilitation Project Extra Work Approval. General Manager Sanders presented an overview of bid items that have exceeded the bid amount and are requested to be paid and deemed acceptable contract overages. Motion by Director Johnson to approve the contract overages in the amount of \$74,142.49 as presented.

Motion:	Johnson		Second: Jenkins
Vote:	Ayes Noes Abstain Absent	5 0 0 0	Hilliker, Jenkins, Johnson, Neumeister, Robak

11) Consider Agreement with UCM (Utility Cost Management, LLC) to Review the Districts Electric and Gas Bills for ways to Reduce Costs. General Manager Sanders provided a summary of the proposal by UCM to review the District's electric and gas billings to determine that appropriate rates are being applied to District Facilities. UCM will provide a final report out ling their findings and if any savings may be gained by the District. Motion by Director Jenkins to approve agreement and have the General Manager execute the agreement.

Motion: Jenkins	Second: Robak
Vote: Ayes 5 Noes 0 Abstain 0 Absent 0	Hilliker, Jenkins, Johnson, Neumeister, Robak

12) Review Draft Capital Improvement Plan Revisions for 5 Year CIP Update. General Manager Sanders provided an update on proposed revisions and the reasoning behind the proposed changes that will be submitted to the Board for approval at the July meeting.

13) Approve Demands of the Treasurer for May 2024. Motion by Director Johnson to approve the demands as presented.

Motion: Johnson			Second: Neumeister
Vote:	Ayes Noes Abstain Absent	5 0 0 0	Hilliker, Jenkins, Johnson, Neumeister, Robak

- 14) CWA Report. Director Hilliker reported that the Admin and Finance Committee revised capital improvement expenditure for emergency pipeline work at Moosa Canyon in North Canyon. Public Hearing at the June 27, 2024 meeting to discuss proposed rate increases. Significant discussion about methods to keep the rate increase down as low as possible. WA proposal to allow agencies to prepay fixed charges in advance to see a savings of 4% to 6%. No further news on potential water transfers from the Carlsbad Desal Plant for purchase by outside agencies.
- 15) Director's Report and Ad Hoc Sub-Committees Reports. No reports.
- 16) Manager's Quarterly Report. The General Manager reported.
 - 1) Budget Preparation Work being done to complete the 24-25 Operating Budget for the District. Unknown but significant increase likely from the Water Authority at the June 27, 2024. Reduced capital improvement spending.
 - 2) Water Demand Current Water Demand is slightly above last year.
 - 100-Year Anniversary Update; Resolutions from four agencies so far. Optimists have agreed to help the District serve food at the event, the Boy Scouts will assist in directing traffic and pedestrian traffic.

Capital Expenditures at 32% of budget projection.

Articles submitted:

20 billion: The Delta Tunnels New Price Tag. San Diego County is on track for much higher water rates.

16) Closed Session – Closed to the Public

Per Section 54957; Employee Performance Evaluation – Administrative Services Supervisor/Treasurer Jeanne Swaringen. Out of closed session, Board President Hilliker reported that the Board unanimously approved two options of a performance bonus. A) if allowed by our legal resource is to grant a limited 6-month post-retirement health care benefit to Ms. Swaringen, or B), if A is not allowed, a performance bonus in the amount of \$17,500 for the many cost saving accomplishments achieved by Ms. Swaringen during her career at the District.

17) Adjourn; There being no further business the meeting adjourned to the next Regular Meeting to be held on July 2, 2024 at 5:30 p.m.

Attest:

Brett Sanders, Board Secretary Lakeside Water District Frank Hilliker Board President