

**HEBER PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
1078 Dogwood Rd., Suite 104  
Heber, CA, 92249**

**Thursday, May 19, 2016 at 6:00 p.m.**

**MINUTES**

The District recognizes its obligation to provide equal access to those individuals with disabilities. Please contact the District (760-482-2440) two working days prior to the meeting with any special requests for reasonable accommodation.

**1. CALL TO ORDER:**

The meeting of the Board of Directors of the Heber Public Utility District was held at the District's meeting room and called to order at 6:01 pm by President Sandoval.

**2. ROLL CALL:**

Director's present at roll call: M. Nolasco, Jr., T. Sandoval, D. Garcia-Ruiz, and P. Tabarez, Jr. Also present General Manager Laura Fischer, Board Secretary Raquel Carrillo. General Counsel, Steve Walker arrived @ 6:22 pm. Director Escobedo had an excused absence.

**3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Sandoval.

**4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

The Motion to Approve the Agenda as presented was made by Director Tabarez, Jr., seconded by Director Garcia-Ruiz.

Motion approved by Roll Call: 4/0

AYES: P. Tabarez, Jr., D. Garcia-Ruiz, T. Sandoval, and M. Nolasco, Jr.

NOES:

ABSENT: S. Escobedo

**5. PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS/COMMENT:**

Rafael Contreras with the Heber Adult Soccer League approached the Board

The Board may set time limits on the amount of time any speaker can use to address the Board. Members of the public are allowed to make comments about anything not listed on the agenda. If the comments concern an agenda item, they must wait until that item is up for discussion. If you wish to address the Board, please fill out a "Request to Speak Form" and hand it to the Clerk of the Board and when recognized by the President of the Board, go to the podium and address the Board. The Board can't take action on any item not on the agenda.

- 6. CONSENT AGENDA:** Any item on the Consent Agenda may be removed and placed under New Business at the request of any Board Member or member of the Public.

- A. Approval of Minutes for the regular meeting on April 21, 2016.
- B. Approval of Current Demands for April 2016.  
Motion to Approve the Consent Agenda was made by Director Garcia-Ruiz, seconded by Director Tabarez, Jr.  
Motion approved by Roll Call: 4/0  
AYES: P. Tabarez, Jr., D. Garcia-Ruiz, T. Sandoval, and M. Nolasco, Jr.  
NOES:  
ABSENT: S. Escobedo

## **7. REPORTS:**

- A. President and Director's Comments  
Director Tabarez commented on his experience at CSDA Legislative Days and thanked Director Garcia-Ruiz for helping to set up appointments. Director Garcia-Ruiz reported that she spoke to Assemblyman Garcia about the poor conditions of streets in the community of Heber.
- B. Sub-Committee Report – 85<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Information was given to the Board.  
General Manager and Director Sandoval made a short report on the progress of the Anniversary celebration.
- C. Operations Report for April 2016.  
Informational Only
- D. Engineer's Report – Water Treatment Plant Improvement Project. Juny from The Holt Group gave a brief update on the WTP Project.  
Engineer, Juny Marmolejo, presented a report about the progress.
- E. General Manager's Report  
Information Only.

## **8. NEW BUSINESS: Discussion and Possible Action**

- A. Review the Draft 2016-2017 Budget – Finance Manager  
General Manager gave a review of the Draft 2016-2017 Budget. Director Sandoval asked to add soccer goals to the Capital Improvement Fund. Director Tabarez, Jr., asked to have another backstop added to next year's budget.
- B. Schedule Budget Review Committee Meeting – General Manager  
Special Meeting for Budget Review was set for June 08, 2016 at 5:30 pm.

- C. Authorize a donation of \$500 to the Imperial County Library – General Manager.

Motion to Authorize a donation of \$500 to the Imperial County Library “Heber Branch” have staff purchase a good size cardboard check and present it to the I.C. Library at a Board of Supervisor’s meeting, was made by Director Tabarez, Jr., seconded by Director Garcia-Ruiz.

Motion approved by Roll Call: 4/0

AYES: P. Tabarez, Jr., D. Garcia-Ruiz, T. Sandoval, and M. Nolasco, Jr.

NOES:

ABSENT: S. Escobedo

- D. Cancel Meeting for July or August – General Manager

Motion to Cancel Meeting for July was made by Director Sandoval, seconded by Director Nolasco, Jr.

Motion approved by Roll Call: 4/0

AYES: P. Tabarez, Jr., D. Garcia-Ruiz, T. Sandoval, M. Nolasco, Jr.

NOES:

ABSENT: S. Escobedo

- E. Authorize the Submittal of a Grant Application to the California Youth Soccer and Recreation Development Program – General Manager

Motion to Authorize the Submittal of a Grant Application to the California Youth Soccer and Recreation Development Program was made by Director Tabarez, Jr., seconded by Director Sandoval.

Motion approved by Roll Call: 4/0

AYES: P. Tabarez, Jr., D. Garcia-Ruiz, T. Sandoval, and M. Nolasco, Jr.

NOES:

ABSENT: S. Escobedo

## **9. OLD BUSINESS: Discussion and Possible Action**

- A. Information Only Regarding Exceedance of HAA5 Maximum Contaminant Level at Water Treatment Plant – General Manager. Information Only

- B. Approve Agreement Between the City of El Centro and the Heber Public Utility District Authorizing the Heber Public Utility District to Provide Potable Water Service to McCabe Cove and Magnolia Gate Subdivisions – General Manager

Motion to Approve Agreement Between the city of El Centro and the Heber Public Utility District Authorizing the Heber Public Utility District to Provide Potable Water Service to McCabe Cove and Magnolia Gate Subdivisions was made by Director Tabarez, Jr., seconded by Director Sandoval.

Motion approved by Roll Call: 4/0

AYES: M. Nolasco, Jr., T. Sandoval, D. Garcia-Ruiz, and P. Tabarez, Jr.  
NOES:  
ABSENT: S. Escobedo

**10. ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- A. Board of Supervisors meets at the County Board Room,
- B. CSDA newsletter [www.csdanet.net](http://www.csdanet.net)  
CSDA 2016 Special Districts Legislative Days – May 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> in Sacramento.

**11. CLOSED SESSION:**

The Motion to go into Close Session was made at 8:32 pm was made by Director Tabarez, Jr., seconded by Director Garcia-Ruiz.  
Motion approved by Roll Call: 4/0

AYES: M. Nolasco, Jr., T. Sandoval, D. Garcia-Ruiz, and P. Tabarez, Jr.  
NOES:  
ABSENT: S. Escobedo

- A. Employee Negotiations – Government Code Section §54957.6  
Natural Resources Technical Association
- B. Government Code Section §54957 Public Employee Evaluation of  
Performance (General Manager)
- C. Conference with Legal Counsel - Potential Litigation  
Government Code Section 54956.9 (b)

The Board returned to Open Session at 9:16 p.m.

**12. ADJOURNMENT:**

A motion to adjourn was made at 9:17 p.m. by Director Tabarez, Jr., and seconded by Director Garcia-Ruiz.

AYES: M. Nolasco, Jr., T. Sandoval, D. Garcia-Ruiz, and P. Tabarez, Jr.  
NOES:  
ABSENT: S. Escobedo

Minutes of the Regular Meeting for May 19, 2016 were prepared by Raquel Carrillo – Secretary of the Board