

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

Thursday, February 20, 2014 @ 6:00 p.m.

Minutes

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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 6:02 pm by President Margie Lizarraga.

2. ROLL CALL:

Directors present at roll call: Tony Sandoval, Eduardo Valdez-Belmonte and Margie Lizarraga. Also present were General Manager, Laura G. Fischer; Office Manager, Rafaela M. Sanchez and General Counsel Steve Walker. Director Escobedo arrived at 6:11 pm and Director Garcia-Ruiz arrived at 7:04 pm.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by President Margie Lizarraga.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Approval of Agenda was made by Director Sandoval, seconded by Director Valdez-Belmonte.

Motion approved by Roll Call:

AYES: T. Sandoval, M. Lizarraga, E. Valdez-Belmonte

NOES: None

ABSENT: D. Garcia-Ruiz, S. Escobedo

5. PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS/COMMENT:

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.

No Public Presentation or Comment at present time.

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 January 16, 2014

B. Current Demands for January 2014

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented was made by Director Sandoval, seconded by Director Valdez-Belmonte.

Motion approved by Roll Call:

AYES: T. Sandoval, M. Lizarraga, E. Valdez-Belmonte

NOES: None

ABSENT: D. Garcia-Ruiz, S. Escobedo

7. REPORTS:

A. Operations Report for January 2014

B. President and Director's Comments

C. General Manager's Report

Information was provided to the Board.

General Manager Laura Fischer Reported that the Food Bank wanted to put a flyer regarding the commodities distribution in our bills. There was no objection from the Board.

There was also a request to use the old HPUD office for music lessons. It was reported that this office is currently being used for aerobics. There was also no objection in the use of the office for music lessons as long as it did not conflict with the aerobics class and it was used after hours.

It was also reported that we would start again with the movies in the park.

8. NEW BUSINESS: Discussion and Possible Action

A. Information Only regarding Mid-Year Budget Report – Finance Manager

General Manager Laura Fischer reported on the overall financial review of all funds.

B. Authorize Modification to the 2013-14 Budget General Manager

Motion to Authorize Modification to the 2013-14 Budget in the amount of \$43,000 from the Wastewater Fund to the Parks Fund was made by Director Sandoval, seconded by Director Valdez-Belmonte.

Motion approved by Roll Call:

AYES: S. Escobedo, E. Valdez-Belmonte, T. Sandoval, M. Lizarraga

NOES: None

ABSENT: D. Garcia-Ruiz

C. Consider Authorizing the Use of the Old HPUD Offices as a Polling Site for June 3, 2014 and November 4, 2014 Elections General Manager

Motion to Consider Authorizing the Use of the Old HPUD Offices as a Polling Site for June 3, 2014 and November 4, 2014 Elections was made by Director Valdez-Belmonte, seconded by Director Escobedo.

Motion approved by Roll Call:

AYES: S. Escobedo, E. Valdez-Belmonte, T. Sandoval, M. Lizarraga

NOES: None

ABSENT: D. Garcia-Ruiz

9. OLD BUSINESS:

- A. Introduce and Waive the First Reading of Ordinance 2014-1 Establishing a Cost Recovery Method For Service Costs of New Development Within The District Service Area – General Manager

Motion to Introduce and Waive the First Reading of Ordinance 2014-1 Establishing a Cost Recovery Method For Service Costs of New Development Within the District Service Area and bring back at the March meeting for adoption was made by Director Sandoval, seconded by Director Valdez-Belmonte.

Motion approved by Roll Call:

AYES: S. Escobedo, E. Valdez-Belmonte, T. Sandoval, M. Lizarraga

NOES: None

ABSENT: D. Garcia-Ruiz

- B. Information Only Regarding Park Improvements – General Manager

General Manager Laura Fischer provided information on cost estimates to construct a basketball court at the existing basketball facilities at Estancia Park and the potential locations at Tito Huerta and Jiggs Johnson Parks.

10. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- A. Board of Supervisors meets every Tuesday @ 8:30 am 940 W Main St., El Centro
B. CSDA'S Bi-Monthly Newsletter
C. CSDA Special Districts Legislative Days – May 20 & 21 in Sacramento

11. CLOSED SESSION:

Motion to go into Closed Session at 7:33 pm was made by Director Garcia-Ruiz, seconded by Director Sandoval.

Motion approved by Roll Call:

AYES: D. Garcia-Ruiz, T. Sandoval, M. Lizarraga, E. Valdez-Belmonte, S. Escobedo

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

Conference with Legal Counsel - Potential Litigation

Government Code Section 54956.9 (b)

The meeting was called back to open session at 7:49 pm. No reportable action was taken.

12. ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 pm was made by Director Garcia-Ruiz, seconded by Director Valdez-Belmonte.

Motion approved by Roll Call:

AYES: D. Garcia-Ruiz, T. Sandoval, M. Lizarraga, E. Valdez-Belmonte, S. Escobedo
NOES: None
ABSENT: None

Minutes for the Regular Meeting for February 20, 2014 were prepared by Rafaela M. Sanchez – Office Manager

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