



**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF  
THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE  
LA PUENTE VALLEY COUNTY WATER DISTRICT  
FOR MONDAY, JANUARY 10, 2022 AT 5:30 PM**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

President Rojas called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

President Rojas led the meeting in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**3. ROLL CALL OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

<b>President Rojas</b>	<b>Vice President Barajas</b>	<b>Director Argudo</b>	<b>Director Escalera</b>	<b>Director Hernandez</b>
Present via Teleconference	Present via Teleconference	Absent	Present via Teleconference	Absent

Director Hernandez entered the meeting at 5:31 p.m. via Teleconference.

**OTHERS PRESENT**

**Staff and Counsel:** General Manager & Board Secretary, Roy Frausto; Office Manager, Gina Herrera; Operations & Maintenance Superintendent, Paul Zampiello; Water Treatment & Supply Superintendent, Cesar Ortiz; Customer Service & Accounting Clerk, Vanessa Koyama; and District Counsel, Jim Ciampa.

**Public:** Former Board Member, Mr. David Hastings, was present via Teleconference.

**4. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Mr. Hastings wanted to say hello to everyone and see how their Christmas and New Year's was.

**5. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Motion: Adopt Agenda as Presented.

1st: President Rojas

2nd: Director Hernandez

	<b>President Rojas</b>	<b>Vice President Barajas</b>	<b>Director Argudo</b>	<b>Director Escalera</b>	<b>Director Hernandez</b>
<b>Vote</b>	Yes	Yes	Absent	Yes	Yes

Motion carried by a vote of: 4 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain, 1 Absent.

**6. REORGANIZATION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**A. President**

Vice President Barajas nominated President Rojas to continue on as Board President for the coming year. With no other nominations, a vote of the Board of Director’s was conducted.

Motion: To Elect President William Rojas for a Second Term as Board President.

1st: Vice President Barajas

2nd: Director Hernandez

	<b>President Rojas</b>	<b>Vice President Barajas</b>	<b>Director Argudo</b>	<b>Director Escalera</b>	<b>Director Hernandez</b>
<b>Vote</b>	Yes	Yes	Absent	Yes	Yes

Voting result: 4 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain, 1 Absent.

**B. Vice President**

President Rojas nominated Director Hernandez for Vice President of the Board of Directors. With no other nominations, a vote of the Board of Director’s was conducted.

Motion: To Elect Director Henry Hernandez as Board Vice President.

1st: President Rojas

2nd: Vice President Barajas

	<b>President Rojas</b>	<b>Vice President Barajas</b>	<b>Director Argudo</b>	<b>Director Escalera</b>	<b>Director Hernandez</b>
<b>Vote</b>	Yes	Yes	Absent	Yes	Yes

Motion carried by a vote of: 4 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain, 1 Absent.

**7. APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR**

Motion: Approve Consent Calendar as Presented.

1st: President Rojas

2nd: Vice President Hernandez

	<b>President Rojas</b>	<b>Vice President Hernandez</b>	<b>Director Argudo</b>	<b>Director Barajas</b>	<b>Director Escalera</b>
<b>Vote</b>	Yes	Yes	Absent	Yes	Yes

Motion carried by a vote of: 4 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain, 1 Absent.

**8. FINANCIAL REPORTS**

**A. Summary of the District’s Cash and Investments as of November 30, 2021.**

Mr. Frausto provided a summary of the balances in each account provided in the Summary of Cash and Investments as of November 30, 2021.

Motion: Receive and File the Summary of Cash and Investments as of November 30, 2021.

1st: President Rojas

2nd: Director Escalera

	<b>President Rojas</b>	<b>Vice President Hernandez</b>	<b>Director Argudo</b>	<b>Director Barajas</b>	<b>Director Escalera</b>
<b>Vote</b>	Yes	Yes	Absent	Yes	Yes

Motion carried by a vote of: 4 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain, 1 Absent.

**B. Summary of District’s Revenue and Expenses as of November 30, 2021.**

Mrs. Herrera provided a summary of the District’s of Revenues and Expenses for the District as of November 30, 2021.

Motion: Receive and File the Statement of the District’s Revenue and Expenses as of November 30, 2021.

1st: President Rojas

2nd: Vice President Hernandez

	<b>President Rojas</b>	<b>Vice President Hernandez</b>	<b>Director Argudo</b>	<b>Director Barajas</b>	<b>Director Escalera</b>
<b>Vote</b>	Yes	Yes	Absent	Yes	Yes

Motion carried by a vote of: 4 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain, 1 Absent.

**C. Statement of the Industry Public Utilities’ Water Operations Revenue and Expenses as of November 30, 2021.**

Mrs. Herrera provided a summary of the Statement of Revenues and Expenses for the Industry Public Utilities’ Water Operations.

Motion: Receive and File the Statement of the Industry Public Utilities Water Operations’ Revenue and Expenses as of November 30, 2021.

1st: Director Escalera

2nd: President Rojas

	<b>President Rojas</b>	<b>Vice President Hernandez</b>	<b>Director Argudo</b>	<b>Director Barajas</b>	<b>Director Escalera</b>
<b>Vote</b>	Yes	Yes	Absent	Yes	Yes

Motion carried by a vote of: 4 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain, 1 Absent.

**9. ACTION / DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**A. Approval of First Amendment to the General Manager’s Employment Agreement.**

Mr. Frausto summarized a topic discussed at the last meeting which was the Cost of Living and General Manager’s increase.

Motion: To Approve the First Amendment to the General Manager’s Employment Agreement.

1st: Director Escalera

2nd: President Rojas

	<b>President Rojas</b>	<b>Vice President Hernandez</b>	<b>Director Argudo</b>	<b>Director Barajas</b>	<b>Director Escalera</b>
<b>Vote</b>	Yes	Yes	Absent	Yes	Yes

Motion carried by a vote of: 4 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain, 1 Absent.

**B. Consideration of Lease of Main San Gabriel Basin Production Rights from Canyon Water Company.**

Mr. Frausto presented his staff report on this item. He informed the Board about the annual lease with Canyon Water.

Motion: Authorize the General Manager to Lease 1,000 Acre-Feet of Main San Gabriel Basin Water Production Rights from Canyon Water Company.

1st: President Rojas

2nd: Vice President Hernandez

	<b>President Rojas</b>	<b>Vice President Hernandez</b>	<b>Director Argudo</b>	<b>Director Barajas</b>	<b>Director Escalera</b>
<b>Vote</b>	Yes	Yes	Absent	Yes	Yes

Motion carried by a vote of: 4 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain, 1 Absent.

**10. OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT**

Mr. Zampielo informed the Board on the report he provided in the Board Packet. Topics included the current water levels and projects.

Motion: Receive and File the Operations and Maintenance Superintendent’s Report.

1st: President Rojas

2nd: Director Escalera

	<b>President Rojas</b>	<b>Vice President Hernandez</b>	<b>Director Argudo</b>	<b>Director Barajas</b>	<b>Director Escalera</b>
<b>Vote</b>	Yes	Yes	Absent	Yes	Yes

Motion carried by a vote of: 4 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain, 1 Absent.

**11. GENERAL MANAGER’S REPORT**

Mr. Frausto updated the Board with the latest rainfall levels, current Covid-19 protocols and the Arrearages Program.

**12. OTHER ITEMS**

**A. Upcoming Events.**

Mrs. Herrera informed the Board that due to the current situation with Covid-19, there was no list for Upcoming Events.

**B. Information Items.**

Included in Board Packet

**13. ATTORNEY’S COMMENTS**

Mr. Ciampa briefed the Board about the Arrearage Program and there being discussions on extending the program

**14. CLOSED SESSION – Entered at 6:06 p.m.**

**A. Conference with legal counsel – existing litigation**

Initiation of litigation pursuant to paragraph (4) of subdivision (d) of government code section 54956.9. One case.

**15. CLOSED SESSION REPORT – 6:07 p.m.**

Mr. Ciampa reported that the Board met in closed session pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8 and was briefed on the facts and circumstances of the matter and no reportable action was taken.

**16. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS**

**A. Report on Events Attended**

President Rojas reported that he attended 1 event via teleconference: (1) First District Consolidated Oversight Board Meet.

**B. Other Comments**

Director Escalera thanked President Rojas on his fine leadership as President and in conducting Board Meeting under the current conditions.

**17. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

**18. ADJOURNMENT**

President Rojas adjourned the meeting at 6:09 p.m.

Attest:

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William R. Rojas, President

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Roy Frausto, Secretary