# MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF COMMISSIONERS OF LANCASTER COUNTY WATER & SEWER DISTRICT

A regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Lancaster County Water & Sewer District was held at Lancaster County Water & Sewer District's Administrative Office in the Conference Center Board Room at 6:30 pm, on Tuesday, September 10, 2024, after due notice of the time, place, and purpose of such meeting.

**Members Present:** Gerald White, Doc Steele, Robert Barr, Jimmy Deaton, Robert Harris, Larry Hammond, and Stephen White.

**Members Absent:** RJ Clyburn, Mike Williams

**In addition, there were present:** Brad Bucy, District Manager; Wes Carter, Operations Manager; Amanda Threatt, Administrative Assistant; Jim Sheedy and Susan Driscoll, District Legal Counsel.

Gerald White called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm and chaired the meeting.

**Public Comment as Necessary**
There were no public comments.

**Approval of Minutes**
Gerald asked if there were any questions or proposed changes to the August 13, 2024, Commission Meeting Minutes. Robert Harris made a motion to approve the August minutes. Robert Barr seconded. All approved.

**Discuss Funds Available on the Gallo Project**
Brad provided a letter from Gallo which included a commitment of funds up to $4,639,281. Brad indicated Gallo would be amending the commitment to clarify the conditions, prior to any LCWSD Board action. Brad also presented a proposed Change Order #1 which included proposed value engineering savings totaling a potential deduct of $906,070. A summary of the funding and project costs was reviewed. There was general discussion.

This was provided for informational purposes only.

**Approval of Award to State Utility for EDA LCWSD Force Main to Serve Gallo**
Bids were received on August 6, 2024 for the EDA LCWSD Force Main Project in Lancaster County. The project included the proposed wastewater force main to be installed in Lancaster County in support of the Gallo project. The project is being funded by a combination of SC RIA, EDA, and Gallo funds. There is also an alternate bid consisting of over-sizing and future connections to be funded by the City of Lancaster and LCWSD.

There were three (3) bids received. The low bid was supplied by State Utility Contractors, Inc. The Total Base Bid with Alternate was $9,371,530. Alliance Consulting Engineers provided their recommendation to the Board that the Total Base Bid with Alternate be awarded to State Utility as the low, responsive, responsible bidder. Robert Harris made a motion to award the contract to State Utility in the amount of $9,371,530 in accordance with the Engineer's recommendation and contingent upon Gallo's revised commitment, EDA and SCRIA approvals. Stephen White seconded. All approved.

**Approval of Change Order #1 – EDA LCWSD Force Main to Serve Gallo**
Brad reviewed proposed pricing and scope changes associated with proposed value engineering credits related to the subject project. These updates included the reduction of approximately 1165 LF of force main on the City of Lancaster treatment facility site which cannot currently be utilized due to undetermined delays in the City of Lancaster WWTP Optimization project headworks improvements. Other changes included deletion of 2 plug valves, relocation of the force main to avoid over 450 LF of 20-inch fusible PVC Directional Bore and piping, and asphalt repair reductions as coordinated through SC DOT.

Larry Hammond made a motion to table the scope and pricing changes in Change Order #1 contingent upon staff and legal approval and execution of the EJCDC Contract Agreement with State Utility. Approval will be reconsidered at a future meeting following the execution of the Agreements. Robert Barr seconded. All approved.

**Approval to SC DOT Agreement for Fork Hill Road Bridge Replacement**
Brad turned the meeting over to Wes to explain the new agreement required with SC DOT for the Fork Hill Road Bridge Replacement. SC DOT had originally agreed to perform the work "in-contract." However, SC DOT omitted the work from its original scope and the quotes SC DOT ultimately received were well over the project budget. LCWSD is now requesting under the subject Utility Agreement to perform the work with its own forces. LCWSD has already secured pricing within the $121,400 project budget. The LCWSD share is $10,777.61.

Doc Steele made a motion to approve the SC DOT Agreement for the Fork Hill Road Bridge Replacement. Jimmy Deaton seconded. All approved.

**Update of Riverside Road Transmission Main Project**
Designs have been completed and submitted for permitting on this project. Brad discussed the proposed schedule and timeline. SC RIA has requested an update. LCWSD has acquired almost one-half of the nearly sixty (60) easements required. The $10,000,000 in SCIIP grant funds have stringent federal requirements and deadlines which must be met. LCWSD and its consultants will continue to keep the LCWSD Board and the SC RIA updated monthly on the progress of this land acquisition as it is critical to the timeliness of the project.

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**Executive Session to Receive Legal Advice on Pending Litigation, Contractual Agreement and/or Personnel Issue**
There was no Executive Session.

**Adjourn**

Larry Hammond made a motion to adjourn at 7:12 pm. Stephen White seconded. All approved.

Robert L. Barr, Secretary