A Regular Meeting of the Board of Utilities Commissioners of the City of La Junta, Colorado, was called to order by Chairman Lorenz Sutherland on Tuesday, January 8, 2019, at 4:00 p.m. in the Power Board Room of the Municipal Building.

Roll was called and the following Board Members were present:

Present:  
Jim Goodwin, Commissioner  
Jeffri Pruyn, Mayor  
P. Lorenz Sutherland, Chairman  

Absent:  
Mike Bourget, Commissioner  
Frank McKenzie, Vice-Chairman  

Also present:  
Rick Klein, City Manager  
Bill Jackson, Asst. City Manager  
Melanie Scofield, City Clerk  
Tom Seaba, Director of Water/Wastewater  
Rick Gumke, Line Crew Chief  
Darren Adame, Director of Engineering  
Edward Vela, Council Member  
Gary Cranson, ARPA Representative  
Kathy DelRio, La Junta  
Bette McFarren, Tribune Democrat  

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING
Chairman Sutherland asked if there were any corrections to the minutes of the Regular Meeting of December 11, 2018. Hearing none, he declared the minutes approved as published.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION
1. Edward Vela: Made a request if those in attendance at the ARPA Board meetings would be able to give a report. Also, it would be nice if it were listed as an agenda item.

REPORTS
A. Water & Wastewater Treatment. Tom Seaba gave the following report:

1. R.O. Plant
   - New security gate installed.  
   - Cleaned chlorine tanks and lines.  
   - Clearwell inspected.  
   - Beginning prep work for membrane replacement on skid “B”.  
   - Plant maintenance.

2. Distribution
   - Continue working with contractors at Primary School and Lewis Bolt & Nut construction.  
   - Repaired main leaks: 18th & Santa Fe and two on East 6th Street.  
   - Installing new radio read meters.  
   - Equipment maintenance.

3. Wastewater
   - Reorganization and repair of plant maintenance shop.  
   - Treated 29.38 million gallons. Removed 20 ft³ of screenings and 16 ft³ of grit.
• Jetted 1,416 feet of main in connection to seven emergency calls.
• New plant rated at 84% complete.

4. All Departments
• Safety meeting for Slips & Falls.
• Training with the Colorado Rural Water circuit rider held at water department.
• Yearly water and wastewater monitoring test bids completed. Wastewater will use ACZ; water will use SGS Accutest.

B. Power Distribution. Rick Gumke gave the following report in Reuben’s absence:
1. Line Crew
• Bore in new line at 2nd and Cimarron Avenue.
• Dug in a line for 409 and 411 Kiva Court.
• Finished up at 2nd and Cimarron Avenue for Viaero.
• Put the Super Save in at 411 Kiva Court in order to dig a new underground service for that address.
• Covered up a line at Hampton Inn for work being performed on their sign.
• Changed the transformer at 808 Belmont Avenue due to damage. It has previously been installed three weeks prior.
• Put in 100 new radio read meters. The read list is getting smaller. We’re at about 98% complete with this project.

C. Power Plant. Bill Jackson gave the following report:
1. HDR has furnished us with near final blue prints which are required for them to take out to bid for the distributive side.

D. Sanitation. Darren Adame gave the following report:
1. December report.

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2. The $5.00 charge for extra totes will be effective March 1st. Notifications will be sent with utility bills.
3. OCLI Site 1 is getting really close.
4. Demolition of Reggie’s should begin by the end of the week, followed by A&W and then the hotel.

NEW BUSINESS
A. **Election of Officers for 2019**
   1. **Chairman.** The chair opened the floor for nominations. Goodwin nominated Lorenz Sutherland for Chairman. Hearing no further nominations, the chairman closed nominations and called for the vote. Lorenz Sutherland was unanimously elected as Chairman.

   2. **Vice-Chairman.** The chair opened the floor for nominations. Pruyn nominated Frank McKenzie for Vice-Chairman. Hearing no further nominations, the chairman closed the nominations and called for the vote. Frank McKenzie was unanimously elected as Vice-Chairman.

B. **City Manager's Comments.**
   1. Will be going to the Capital with Tom Seaba to testify in regards to two bills concerning dredging the Arkansas River. Senator Larry Crowder would also like us to talk about the conduit.

C. **City Attorney's Comments.**
   1. Not in attendance.

D. **Governing Body's Comments.**
   1. Mayor Pruyn: Would like to invite everyone to the open house of our CORE Center on January 23rd. There will be tours and refreshments.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:36 p.m.

CITY OF LA JUNTA

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ATTEST: P. Lorenz Sutherland, Chairman

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Melanie R. Scofield, City Clerk