## Board of Commissioners Meeting March 11, 2014

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Pepper Putnam, Chairman. In attendance were Albert Friess, Jim Larison, Mike Langley and Celeste Lilley.

- I. The minutes of the February meeting were approved.
- II. Financial Report:

The year-to-date budget report was approved.

Celeste reported that she had attended a State Auditor's Office training course on annual report preparation and online filing that was very beneficial. Water, port, library, conservation, and other special purpose districts were in attendance. BARS code structuring and reporting requirements were defined.

She had also consulted with the state and county auditors and SWD's accountant about converting from modified accrual to straight cash accounting. Being assured that it was at The District's discretion, she recommended that SWD do so for many reasons. This will result in SWD having expenses of one month less than budgeted for the current year only. The Board approved of this change.

Celeste requested authorization to begin drawing funds from the Public Works Trust Fund (PWTF) loan to cover the Fire Mountain Farms contract for biosolids removal from the facultative lagoon, and for electrical work currently being performed by Straits Electric. Authorization was given to begin drawing loan funds.

Expenditures in the amount of \$11,631.13 and payroll expenses were approved.

III. Manager's Report:

Mike Langley gave the manager's report which will be appended to these minutes. There was also discussion regarding the possibility of constructing an indirect aquifer recharge basin for Class "A" water. This would reduce the amount of water sprayed on the field, and allow for production of a better crop. BHC Consultants will be asked for an estimate for this project.

## IV. OLD BUSINESS:

A second letter was sent to DOH requesting more information about who does have the authority to grant an extension to the January 2017 deadline for meter installation.

## V. NEW BUSINESS

Chad Heaton of Vision Municipal Solutions demonstrated their software. The company is based in Spokane, WA, and their software is designed for local government and special purpose districts. Financials, Cash Management, and Utility Billing were the key points presented. Vision partners with and programs Juniper Systems' meter reading hardware, but also interfaces with almost any other meter reading software. Mr. Heaton noted that he had only touched on the capabilities of the program, and that a more detailed presentation may be arranged when time permits.

VIII. The meeting adjourned at 12:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Albert Friess, Secretary