SunLand Water District Board of Commissioners Meeting September 22, 2015

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Pepper Putnam, Chairman. Present were Albert Friess, Jim Larison, Mike Langley and Celeste Lilley. Guest present: Gary Fortmann, representative of Division 17.

The minutes of the August meeting were approved.

The financial report showed a large figure in machinery and equipment due to the purchase of 200 water meters. Another 200 will be purchased in 2015.

Mr. Fortmann asked what more cost Division 17 (SunLand North) could expect to pay for setters/meters. Mr. Langley replied that the District is finished there for now, at least until the meters are being read. There are most likely irrigation hookups that have not been exposed.

Division 7 (Hilltop Drive) has agreed to begin setter/meter installations and has approved a special assessment to pay for them over two years, 2016 and 2017.

The manager's report was discussed and will be appended to these minutes.

- SWD is still sitting on the funds to pay Ceccanti the retainage. There appears to be a glitch with Labor and Industries.
- BHC Consultants is still trying to negotiate a reimbursement from RWL Water Group for the Hurricane Submersible Aerators that are not functioning appropriately in this application. SWD is still holding the final payment to BHC.
- Amanda Signes was hired to replace Wallene Eichhorn, who decided she'd rather be retired.
- Testing for lead and copper showed no unacceptable amounts at any of the residences tested.

There was discussion about a draft budget for 2016. The cost of billing forms, envelopes, postage, the data logger and reading wand had not yet been determined. Celeste recommended that SWD plan to use the County for its payroll for several reasons. One being that the software support of the Vision program is more than paying the county to do it, and another due to the fact that payroll would have to be approved by voucher just like any other payment, and employees would not be paid on a specific date of the month. The Board agreed.

A candidate for county office had placed a political sign on the spray field property. Mr. Putnam stated that if it is left there, more signs will come. Mr. Langley will find out if it is appropriate to remove it.

Checks and vouchers were approved by signature.

The meeting adjourned at 10:25 a.m.