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**PAGOSA SPRINGS SANITATION  
DISTRICT SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES  
TUESDAY DECEMBER 7, 2010  
Town Hall Council Chambers  
5:00 P.M.**

- I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER** – Mayor Aragon, Board Member Cotton, Board Member Holt, Board Member Jackson, Board Member Lattin, Board Member Pierce, Board Member Volger
- II. APPROVAL of MEETING MINUTES FROM NOVEMBER 3<sup>rd</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup>, 2010** – The minutes were approved as read.
- III. NEW BUSINESS**
- 1. Resolution 2010-03 Set Mill Levy** - Each year the Secretary is required to certify the mill with Archuleta County. The mill must be set by the Board prior to the certification. The deadline for certification of the mill levy to the county commissioners is December 15<sup>th</sup> per C.R.S. 39-5-128(1). The mill levy did not increase or decrease during 2010 and therefore should remain the same for the 2011 budget at a fixed rate of .9 for general operating expenses, plus a maximum of \$55,000 for contractual obligations, plus any refund/abatements available. Board Member Pierce moved to approve Resolution 2010-03, setting the Pagosa Springs Sanitation General Improvement District Mill Levy at .9 for general operations plus contractual obligations maximum of \$55,00 plus refunds and abatements for the Budget Year 2011, Board Member Jackson seconded, unanimously approved.
  - 2. Public Hearing of 2011 Budget** – Mayor Aragon opened this item for public comment, closed to public comment.
  - 3. Resolution 2010-04, Adopting 2011 Budget** - The 2011 budget includes over \$840,000 of carryover funds from 2010 estimated end of year revenues. The budgeted revenues include grants and loans from CWRPA, DOLA and USDA for a proposed wastewater treatment plant. It is difficult to say if the application will be approved or the future costs. A 2011 budget amendment will be presented once documentation from USDA is received. Board Member Jackson moved to Approve Resolution 2010-04, appropriating sums of money to the various funds for the Pagosa Springs Sanitation General Improvement District, for the 2011 budget year, Board Member Volger seconded, unanimously approved.
- IV. DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORT**
- 1. District Manager Report** - October's flows were .186 MGD on average. There were no violations in October. The USDA application was advertised for 30 days and is under final in State USDA RD approval; from there it will be sent to Washington DC for approval. Since the US Congress has not approved the 2011 budget, it is possible there could be no funding as yet for USDA RD or if there is funding the amount, therefore there is a possibility the district project will not receive USDA funding in 2011. The DOLA loan was extended for another year, the CWPRPA is being patient but this will soon be ending. An extension request has been sent for the end of January, and a loan payment has been made, if the district doesn't use the money, they will receive a refund of the loan payment. Water and Power Authority has additional loans and grants but not enough to get the plant built if USDA doesn't come through. Mayor Aragon said an engineer firm has offered to write a grant for updating the Town's geothermal facilities. The firm has a state of

the art method to draw the heat out of the earth and this grant could possibly give a whole new heating plant for the customers along with upgrades of windows and doors for the consumer's homes. This geothermal heat pump system is not a new technology but would allow the district to upgrade the geothermal infrastructure.

**V. NEXT BOARD MEETING DECEMBER 16<sup>th</sup>, 2010 at 12:00pm**

**VI. ADJOURNMENT** – Upon motion duly made, the meeting adjourned at 7:00pm.