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**PAGOSA SPRINGS SANITATION
GENERAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 4, 2012
Town Hall Council Chambers
5:00 P.M.**

- I. **CALL MEETING TO ORDER** – Board President Aragon, Board Member Alley, Board Member Bunning, Board Member Cotton, Board Member Lattin, Board Member Schanzenbaker
- II. **APPROVAL of MEETING MINUTES FROM MARCH 22, 2012** – The minutes were approved as read.
- III. **OLD BUSINESS**
 1. **Manager's Report** - Town Manager Mitchem explained the Colorado Water Authority has requested the District formally release the \$2 million dollar loan for the mechanical plant back to CWPDA as well as the application for the \$3.125 million dollar interim construction loan. The District will go back to CWPDA in June to request a new loan for the pipeline project. The preliminary engineering for the pipeline is currently at CDPHE and with their approval and recommendation to CWPDA for their loan assistance to the District. The DOLA grant for \$1.25 million is in the process of flipping from the mechanical plant to the pipeline option. The USDA has formally removed their funding from the mechanical plant option. The District does not require the USDA funding for the pipeline project. The engineers estimate is \$5.4 million for the pipeline, the District is planning to ask CWPDA for \$1 million. The route and easements are in place for the District/PAWSD pipeline project. The potential savings is estimated at \$1.8 million dollars for the pipeline rather than the mechanical plant. The route selected is along Trujillo Road and includes the most approved easements and ease of construction. Town Planner Dickhoff said there are options for trail alignments including bikes and horse trails along the same pipeline easement. The pipeline is estimated to be built in the next two years. Mr. Mark Weiler offered to have the new board members meet with PAWSD and engineers to get them up to speed on the pipeline project. He suggests getting the pipeline easements in place first and then go back to ask for trail easement. Mr. Bill Hudson believes that the District is going about it the right way with pipeline easements first and then a trail easement later. The board has consensus that staff will sign and mail the release of loans to the CWPDA.
- IV. **Next Board Meeting April 19, 2012 at 12:00pm**
- V. **ADJOURNMENT** – Upon motion duly made, the meeting adjourned at 6:50pm.