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**PAGOSA SPRINGS SANITATION  
GENERAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT  
MEETING MINUTES  
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2013  
Town Hall Council Chambers  
12:00 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, Board Member Volger
- II. **APPROVAL of MEETING MINUTES FROM NOVEMBER 5, 2013** – The minutes were approved as read.
- III. **OLD BUSINESS**
  1. **PAWSD/Town Pipeline** – The second round of bids for the pipeline Phase 1 came in at \$3,353,000 and Phase 2 \$3,500,000. This amount is over the engineers estimated costs of \$6,500,000 but well under the last bids received of almost \$9 million. The pipeline committee recommends the Sanitation Board approve awarding the construction project to Hammerlund Construction. Board Member Schanzenbaker said past minutes show this pipeline was represented at \$4.7 and \$5.5 million. With the increased amount at \$6.9 million cost of the project he said this should cause the Town to look back at the treatment plant options. Board Member Bunning said this pipeline is a good idea rather than having a sewer treatment plant along the river. Board Member Alley would like to have the easements in place prior to approving contract award. Board Member Cotton moved to award the pipeline construction contract to Hammerlund Construction in the amount of \$6,853,000 and allocate up to \$1.2 million of sanitation reserves to any shortfalls, Board Member Volger seconded, motion carried with one nay (Board Member Schanzenbaker). The project should begin in April 2014 and be completed including the decommissioning of the Town sewer lagoons by November 1, 2015. Shortfall costs include attorney costs, electrical costs, surveying, and environmental as an example.
- IV. **DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORT**
  1. **District Report** - The average daily effluent flow rate for October was 326,000 gallons per day. This month the lagoon facility is only at 63% of its hydraulic capacity, 34% of its organic capacity. Chlorine and sulfur dioxide feeders were malfunctioning and have been either rebuilt or the trouble point removed. Three small clogs were dealt with during the past few weeks. I am investigating a recurring issue up near South 11<sup>th</sup> street. I also repaired a long standing issue on the District vacuum/jetting truck. I installed a new power supply for the raw geothermal flow meter recently as the old one failed. Installation of a new transfer switch to operate the river well during a power outage is now complete and tested. All other aspects of the geothermal building seem to functioning well and the leak rate is approximately 2 gallons per minute. I have been anticipating a firmware upgrade for the logging devices we use to monitor the private geothermal wells in town. That firmware was just sent out so I will download the data from the sites and then upgrade the firmware

in early December. I am hoping this fix will eliminate some monitoring problems we have experienced in past months.

- V. APPROVAL OF OCTOBER FINANCIAL STATEMENT AND ACCOMPANYING PAYMENTS** – Board Member Volger moved to approve the approval of the October financial statement and accompanying payments, Board Member Lattin seconded, unanimously approved.
- VI. NEXT BOARD MEETING DECEMBER 3, 2013 AT 5:00PM**
- VII. ADJOURNMENT** – Upon motion duly made, the meeting adjourned at 1:55pm.