TWAIN HARTE COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT

Board of Directors Special Meeting Public Hearing for Proposed Sewer Rate Increase June 27, 2013

DIRECTORS PRESENT: Jim Johnson, Gary Sipperley, Packy Maxwell, Richard Knudson, Wes Jordan

DIRECTORS ABSENT: None

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF PRESENT: Board Secretary Lawton, Operations Manager Perry, Finance

Officer Higgins

This meeting is recorded.

AUDIENCE: Various members of the community

CALL TO ORDER: President Johnson called the meeting to order at 7 pm.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDIZED ITEMS: None

PUBLIC HEARING:

A. Presentation by Operations Manager Perry and Finance Officer Higgins on need for sewer rate increase of 5.06% for FY 13-14.

- B. Receive public comment and protests regarding a proposed increase to monthly rates for sewer services for fiscal year 2013/2014.
 - Dennis Spizak commented that we should be doing these small incremental increases of \$2-\$3, rather than waiting for a while and then having to do a large increase. He also commented that we don't need to spend needlessly on equipment—he sees equipment sitting at the firehouse and has concerns.
 - Doug Brown commented that he has no issue with the rate increase, per se. His issue is with the basic billing system that he felt had "no consideration for consumption". President Johnson commented that we have a very small number of rate payers and you cannot compare rates to larger population cities. Finance Officer Higgins responded to his question regarding rates in other like communities with a statistic of \$127 per month for water/sewer in a like community.
 - President Johnson then indicated that the Board will not make a decision this evening but rather will consider comments and protests and make their decision at the next Board meeting on July 11.

Adjournment

The Special Meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted

Jeanne Lawton, Board Secretary

APPROVED:

Jim Johnson, President