MEETING MINUTES of THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS of STRAWBERRY HOLLOW WASTEWATER IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

The meeting of the Board of Directors of **Strawberry Hollow Wastewater Improvement District** was held at 4455 N. Strawberry Hollow in Pine, AZ on June 26th, 2024 at 3:30 p.m. The following directors were present:

LOREN PETERSON DIANE PETERSON GAIL HEWLETT

LOREN PETERSON presided as Chairman of the meeting.

It was proposed and seconded to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously approved.

The next item on the agenda was discussion of Resolution #50 Tentatively Adopting a Budget and Sewer Rate Schedule for Publication and Approving the Notice of Hearing thereon.

LOREN PETERSON then proposed the acceptance of Resolution #50 and upon motion duly made and seconded, Resolution #50 was unanimously resolved that:

1. The Board of Directors of SHWID hereby tentatively adopts for publication purposes pursuant to Arizona Revised Statues ss 42-17103 the attached Budget for the SHWID.

2. The Board of Directors of SHWID hereby tentatively adopts for publication purposes pursuant to Arizona Revised Statues ss 48-910 the attached Sewer Rate Schedule.

3. The Board of Directors of the SHWID directs that a public hearing will be held on Thursday, the 31st day of July, 2024 at 3:30 p.m. at 4455 N. Strawberry Hollow in Pine AZ, concerning the attached Budget and Rate Schedule. At that meeting any owner of real property within the District may appear and present objections, if any he may have to any item of the proposed Budget or of the proposed Rate Schedule.

4. The Chairman is authorized to execute the NOTICE OF HEARING ON THE BUDGET AND SEWER RATES and post the same in not less than three places within the District for not less than ten days prior to the date of the hearing and publish the same twice in a newspaper of general circulation within the district, said publications being not less than one week apart, the first publication occurring not less than ten days prior to the date of the hearing. 5. The Chairman is authorized to mail a copy of said notice to the Board of Supervisors of Gila County not less than ten days prior to the date of the hearing.

Discussion took place regarding the Aquifer Protection Permit (APP). Loren explained that in 2005, ADEQ approved the design for 18,000 gallons/day for 72 homes. At that time, it was decided to delay building to full capacity. Strawberry Hollow residents are currently using approximately 2,000 gallons/day, which means we have surpassed the wastewater volume that requires us to increase capacity for the entire life of Strawberry Hollow. ADEQ now says we have to build out to capacity. We have been reserving funds for this build-out. Following are items that have been completed:

The Point of Compliance (POC) well is completed and samples are regularly being taken.

A shed was built at the south end of Strawberry Hollow to house equipment and storage of chemicals.

A chlorinator was installed.

New rates were discussed. Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously approved to raise the quarterly rate from \$100/quarter to \$150/quarter. Upon motion duly made and seconded, all increases were unanimously approved.

Next was discussion of the payment of District bills and ratification of payment of bills. Diane Peterson informed the Board there were no outstanding bills as of this date.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, upon motion duly made and seconded, it was adjourned.

SUBMITTED BY:

Diane Peterson

Secretary

ATTEST:

Loren Peterson

Chairman