TRAILS END WATER DISTRICT 3/22/16 Meeting MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 7:16 pm. A quorum was present.

ATTENDANCE: Deb Watson, Joe Morris, Sarah Carlson, Commissioners Anne Montgomery, Attorney 9 members of the public.

MINUTES: Ms. Carlson passed out copies of the **3/8/16** meeting minutes. Ms. Watson moved to approve the minutes as presented. Mr. Morris seconded. There were some corrections that needed to be addressed. Under Old Business there was an error with the website address. It should be <u>www.trailsendwater.org</u>. Under New Business, in the fourth paragraph Ms. Montgomery recommended that parenthesis be around the portion of the sentence, ...(setting two additional board meetings on 3/22/16....work on the rate study.) Ms. Watson moved to amend the minutes as outlined. Mr. Morris seconded and the motion passed unanimously. Ms. Watson moved to accept the minutes as amended. Mr. Morris seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

TREASURER/FINANCIAL REPORT: A copy of the 2/29/16 Financial Statement was passed out. This report had not been available on 3/8/16 because information from the Treasurer's Office had not been received. At the end of last week, the balance at Olympia Federal was \$4515.75. No money will be transferred at this meeting. No vouchers were presented.

STAFF REPORTS:

- <u>Billing</u>: No update since the 3/8/16 meeting.
- <u>Maintenance</u>: Work continues on the new well. There are still 12 meters that need to be replaced because of fog. They will be replaced when the weather improves.
- <u>Miscellaneous</u>: Nothing to report

OLD BUSINESS:

• <u>Rate Study</u>: We expected to have a report from Northwest Water for this meeting. We have not received the report. Ms. Montgomery presented Draft 5 of the new resolution and addendum regarding rate setting. She went over the changes we made at the last meeting to be sure they reflected what we wanted. She marked an area that she suggested Drew Noble from H2O review.

NEW BUSINESS:

None

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

A five minutes Executive session was convened at 7:44 pm for the purposes of discussing personnel issues. The meeting reconvened at 7:49 pm. It was announced that a decision was made to offer the bookkeeper job to Denise Snow. She accepted.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Debbie Tracy asked if the rate study was being conducted on similar sized districts. Ms. Watson will make an inquiry as we do not know which districts are being used as comparison. Ms. Tracy was concerned that we have a number of fixed income customers and we are located in a depressed county. Ms. Tracy also asked about the extra meetings. It was explained that the Board's hope is to have the report in hand before the next regular meeting on 4/12/16. At the 4/12/16 meeting we would take public comment and be ready to pass the final resolution at the 4/26/16 meeting. Gerald Richards asked if information could be put on the website and if the signs would be posted. He was assured they would be if we can get the website working.

GOOD OF THE ORDER:

Ms. Watson may be going to the WASWD conference in Yakima. Mr. Morris will be going to the insurance pool meeting.

ADJOURNMENT:

Ms. Watson moved to adjourn the meeting.

Date

Date

Submitted by:

Sarah Carlson Commissioner, Secretary

APPROVED:

Deb Watson Commissioner, President