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## Annual Meeting Water District #41 March 3, 2014

DEPT OF WATER RESOURCES SOUTHERN REGION

The annual water meeting was held at the Rockland City Building on March 3, 2014 and was called to order by chairman, Brent Walker at 1:05 pm.

Chairman Walker asked that the minutes of the previous meeting be read. A motion was made by James Robinson to approve the minutes as read and seconded by Rick Nelson. Motion passed.

Chairman Walker then asked for a motion to elect a Chairman and a Secretary/Treasurer for the upcoming year. A motion to retain Brent Walker as Chairman and Alan Permann as the Secretary/Treasurer was made by Rick Nelson and seconded by Ron L. Nelson. Motion passed.

Chairman Walker asked Watermaster James Robinson to report on the previous water year. The following report was given: "This was a dry year, and I was up and down the valley many times. I began measuring water on May 12<sup>th</sup> and by Oct. 1<sup>st</sup> had pulled all the locks. Adjustments were to numerous to mention but are in the watermaster record books."

Discussion followed about the law suit between Lance Roper and the Rockland Water District. If Mr. Roper were to prevail some water users would be affected more than others, by a cut in water, but by and large all water users would be affected especially during dry years. Discussion followed about payment of attorneys fees, \$8,400.00 at present, and if those affected most should pay the majority of those fees. Chairman Walker suggested that we are all members of the Water District and that all should pay their share equally, based on the amount of water decreed. It was decided that 2 payments, one in 2014 and one in 2015, of \$2,700.00 would be made from the District's budget to the law firm of May, Rammel & Thompson and the balance would come from those water users most affected. Assessments for the year would be adjusted to cover the additional cost.

Chairman Walker then asked for the financial report. Secretary Permann reported that \$7,404.00 was spent the previous budget year out of a budget of \$7,840.00. The checking account has a balance of \$1644.44 as of 3/3/2014. The budget for 2014 was discussed and it was decided to increase it as follows.

Legal fees	\$2,700.00
Watermaster	\$6,500.00
Secretary/Treasure	\$550.00
Social Sec.	\$550.00
Audit	\$250.00
Wcomp.	\$400.00
Pstg.	\$50.00
Total	\$11,000.00

Motion was made by Rick Nelson and seconded by Ron L. Nelson to accept the 2014 budget, to authorize the collection of assessments and to expend funds as outlined in the budget. Motion passed.

Chairman Walker asked for any applications for the position of Watermaster for the 2014 water year. James Robinson applied for the position of Watermaster. Motion was made by Denise Ralphs and seconded by Rick Nelson to accept the application of James Robinson for the postion of Watermaster. Motion passed

Chairman Walker asked if any problems had been brought to the attention of the Advisory committee. Since none of the advisory committee members were present it was suggested that a new committee be asked to serve. A motion was made that Ronald L. Nelson, Rick Nelson and Scott Hendrickson serve as the Advisory Committee for 2014 by Denise Ralphs and seconded by James Robinson. Motion passed.

Rick Nelson made a motion to adjourn the meeting until next year, seconded by Ron L. Nelson. Motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 2:35pm.

Brent Walker-Chairman

Alan Permann-Secretary