PUBLIC SERVICE AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS April 7, 2014

At a special meeting of the Public Service Authority Board of Directors held on Monday, April 7, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Room of the County Administration Building, 143 Third Street, NW, in the Town of Pulaski, Virginia, the following Board members were present: Doug Warren, Chairman; Dave Dean; Nancy Burchett; and Fritz Streff. Dennis Setliff was absent from the meeting.

Staff members present included: Peter Huber, County Administrator; Jared Linkous, County Engineer; and Tammy Safewright, Administrative Assistant.

1. Welcome

Dr. Warren called the meeting to order and welcomed those in attendance.

Dr. Warren advised the purpose of the meeting was to conduct a public hearing on the proposed revision of water, sewer and refuse rates at which hearing owners, tenants, and occupants of property to be served or served by the Authority and all others interested will have an opportunity to be heard.

Dr. Warren opened the public hearing.

2. Staff Report

Mr. Linkous presented a spreadsheet providing a detailed comparison of water and sewer rates for localities with comparable utility systems.

Dr. Warren thanked Mr. Linkous for the information and suggested the information be made a part of the overall packet of information to be filed with the records of this meeting.

3. <u>Public Hearing – Citizen Comments</u>

Dr. Streff suggested the PSA Board and staff review the information presented at the public hearing, rather than waiting until the regular meeting of the PSA Board to be held at 9:00 a.m. on April 8, 2014

Board members posed questions regarding the spreadsheet. Mr. Linkous responded to the questions and also described the spreadsheet in detail. Mr. Linkous also presented information on the 2013 Virginia Water Rates and 2013 Wastewater Rates, copies of which are filed with the records of this meeting.

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Board members discussed the following: connection fee rates, comparison to towns water systems, expected revenue from a 5% increase, capital improvement projects, maintenance of the PSA's overall system, inflation costs, the types of lines used by the PSA, the potential for a cost of living increase for PSA employees, potential raising of garbage rates, notifying the public of rate increases and concerns over the failure of any potential rate increases to cover the PSA's overall operating costs.

Dr. Warren closed the public hearing.

4. Adjournment

By consensus, the Board adjourned its special meeting with the Board to reconvene at its regular meeting to be held on Tuesday, April 8, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. in the Board Room of the County Administration Building (CAB) in the Town of Pulaski.

Doug Warren, Chairma

Nancy Burchett, Secretary/Treasurer