

SAN BERNARDINO VALLEY WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

MINUTES OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

March 4, 2002

1. CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER

Chairperson Day called the Finance Committee meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.

ROLL CALL:

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Clare Henry Day, Chair
Sterling Woodbury, Director
Manuel Aranda, Director (for Cheryl Tubbs)

STAFF PRESENT:

D. Burnell Cavender, General Manager/Board Secretary
Tom Crowley, Deputy Manager for Water Resources and Info. Sys.
Colleen Theuer, Administrative Services Manager

2. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Chairperson Day announced this as the time for any persons present, who so desire, to make an oral petition to the Finance Committee. Hearing none, the meeting proceeded with the published agenda items.

3. GROUNDWATER REPLENISHMENT PROGRAM

Mr. Crowley led a discussion on the possibility of raising groundwater rates for the fiscal year 2002-2003. He distributed handouts showing producers' percentages of costs and rate tables. Mr. Cavender also demonstrated on the whiteboard how the current rates are not paying for the groundwater expenses. He said he had also written to ten other water districts requesting information to use for comparison with SBVWCD. After lengthy discussion, the Committee proposed a rate increase of \$0.25 for groundwater production for agricultural purposes, from \$1.25 to \$1.50; and a rate of increase of \$0.50 for groundwater production for non-agricultural purposes, from \$4.50 to \$5.00. The proposal would be presented to the Board at the March 6, 2002 meeting.

4. ADJOURN

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11.45 a.m.

