EDGEFIELD COUNTY WATER & SEWER AUTHORITY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

The July Regular Board of Directors Meeting of Edgefield County Water and Sewer Authority was held on July 24, 2023, starting at 5:30 p.m. at 100 Waterworks Rd., Edgefield, SC (ECWSA Administrative Building). No individual or organization requested a copy of the Agenda. Notice of this Board of Directors Meeting was posted in the Administration Office 4 weeks prior to meeting and the Agenda was posted July 20, 2023.

CALL TO ORDER: Kennamer, 5:30 p.m.

INVOCATION: Kitchens

MEMBERS PRESENT: Kennamer, Johnson, Smith, Clark, Creswell, Kitchens

MEMBERS ABSENT: Washington

STAFF PRESENT: Administrator Hare, Business Manager Carroway

GUEST PRESENT: None

AGENDA: A motion was made by Johnson to approve the July 24, 2023 Agenda. Second by Smith. Vote unanimous to approve the agenda.

MINUTES: A motion was made by Johnson to approve the June 26, 2023 Minutes. Second by Kitchens. Vote unanimous.

PUBLIC COMMENT: No comments from the public and no one present from the public.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT: After the reading of the bank balances, Administrator Hare discussed the Financial Statement ending June 30, 2023. Budget should be at 100%. Revenues are 109.33%, and Expenses are at 95.85%. Water & Sewer sales are up from last year.

REPORTS:

John Hare, Administrator covered the following items during the report section:

- Administrator Hare discussed the recent groundwater sampling around the site of the old underground storage tanks (removed around 1990). This sampling was conducted by request from SCDHEC. No migration into the groundwater or the lake was detected.
- The September 2023 Board meeting will be held at the regular scheduled day of Sept. 25, 2023.

BUSINESS

A. Engineering Proposal for RIA Grant & Design of Lanier Rd. Lift Station Replacement

Administrator Hare presented a proposal from AECOM concerning preparation of an RIA grant application and potential design for the replacement of the Lanier Rd. sewer L/S. This station has been in service since 1986 and is reaching the end of its life cycle. It is experiencing numerous mechanical failures and significantly increased O&M expense. There is also a safety issue involved since the pumps are installed in a confined space. Hare recommended to the Board approving \$89,100 fee from AECOM. If the grant is not secured, ECWSA will halt the project with AECOM and not proceed forward with the design portion of the contract. Motion by Clark to approve the proposal. Second by Kitchens. Vote unanimous.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – A motion was made to enter into Executive Session by Johnson to discuss a legal matter. Second by Smith. Vote unanimous. Board exited Executive Session with no action taken.

Motion was made by Kitchens to adjourn.

Second by Clark

Time: 6:09 p.m., July 26, 2023

Vote Unanimous

James Earl Kennamer, Chairman