EDGEFIELD COUNTY WATER & SEWER AUTHORITY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

The November Regular Board of Directors Meeting of Edgefield County Water and Sewer Authority was held on November 28, 2022, 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 November 23, 2022.

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

INVOCATION: Kennamer

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

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: Administrator Hare, Business Manager Carroway

GUEST PRESENT: None

AGENDA: A motion was made by Washington to approve the November 28, 2022 Agenda. Second by Clark. Vote unanimous to approve the agenda.

MINUTES: A motion was made by Smith to approve the October 24, 2022 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 September 30, 2022. Budget should be at 25%. Revenues are 30.51%, and Expenses are at 23.19%. Water sales continue to be up in due to the lack of rain.

REPORTS:

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

- Administrator Hare recently spoke at the annual Legislative Delegation meeting and shared his remarks with the Board.
- The Authority recently was awarded "Water System of the Year" by South Carolina Rural Water Association at the annual conference in Myrtle Beach. This will be publicized more by the Authority in the coming months.
- The Board's annual Christmas supper will be held on December 5th at 6pm. Although there will be a quorum, no business will be conducted.

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BUSINESS

A. Pinehouse Liftstation Improvements

Administrator Hare gave an update on the ongoing improvements being made to the Pinehouse sewer pump station. Recently the Authority's backup diesel pump began having major mechanical issues and a rental pump was brought in. The Authority would like to purchase this used pump at a price of \$48,000. Previous rent (at \$1,200/week) will not be charged if the pump is purchased. Motion by Creswell to purchase the pump and repair the existing pump if cost effective. Second by Clark. Vote unanimous.

B. Employee Christmas Bonus

Administrator Hare and Chairman Kennamer recommended to the Board to give staff Christmas Bonus's for 2022. Chairman Kennamer discussed the amounts with the Board. A motion was made by Clark to give the bonuses. Second by Washington. No discussion. Vote unanimous.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – A motion was made by Smith to enter into Executive Session. Second by Clark. Vote unanimous. The Board entered into Executive Session. No action was taken upon exit of Executive Session.

Motion was made by Kitchens to adjourn. Second by Smith Time: 6:30 p.m., November 28, 2022 Vote Unanimous

Approved

James Earl Kennamer, Ghairmar