

**EDGEFIELD COUNTY WATER & SEWER AUTHORITY  
BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

*The October Regular Board of Directors Meeting of Edgefield County Water and Sewer Authority was held on October 24, 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 October 21, 2022.*

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

**INVOCATION:** Creswell

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

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** None

**STAFF PRESENT:** Administrator Hare, Business Manager Carroway

**GUEST PRESENT:** Grant Davis, Mauldin & Jenkins

**AGENDA:** A motion was made by Johnson to approve the October 24, 2022 Agenda. Second by Clark. Vote unanimous to approve the agenda.

**MINUTES:** A motion was made by Johnson to approve the September 26, 2022 Minutes. Second by Smith. Vote unanimous.

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

**PRESENTATION OF THE FY 2022 AUDIT:** After a brief introduction by Administrator Hare, Mr. Grant Davis of Mauldin & Jenkins made his presentation of the ECWSA FY 2022 Audit in final form. Mr. Davis stated that there had only been changes to the Management Discussion section of the audit and none of the actual financial information had changed between the draft presentation and the final edition. Mauldin & Jenkins issued an “unqualified opinion” which is the highest level of recommendation on the Authority’s finances. M&J also recommended as part of its report the continued implementation of Cybersecurity measures on the Authority’s systems. Administrator Hare explained that this was currently underway and was approximately 85% complete. At the conclusion of the audit, Mr. Davis expressed his appreciation, on behalf of his firm, for continued strong working relationship and cooperation of staff at the Authority. Chairman Kennamer and other Board members thanked him for his work on the audit. A motion was made by Kitchens to accept the FY2022 Audit. Second by Washington. No discussion. Vote unanimous.

**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:

- Supply Chain issues continue in the industry and impact the Authority's speed in completion of projects
- There were 200+ SCIP applications totaling over \$2 billion in requests for infrastructure improvements. SC RIA only has roughly \$800 million in funds.
- The satellite leak detection project has started. There are currently 116 POI (points of interest) identified, and leak detection teams are currently on the ground investigating these POI's.
- The Board's annual Christmas supper will be held on December 5<sup>th</sup> at 6pm. Although there will be a quorum, no business will be conducted.

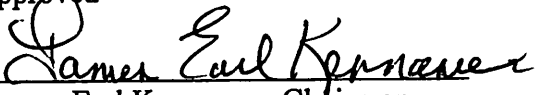
## BUSINESS

A. None

**EXECUTIVE SESSION** – The Board entered into Executive Session. No action was taken upon exit of Executive Session.

Motion was made by Clark to adjourn.  
Second by Washington  
Time: 6:08 p.m., October 24, 2022  
Vote Unanimous

Approved

  
James Earl Kennamer, Chairman