# EDGEFIELD COUNTY WATER & SEWER AUTHORITY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

The June Regular Board of Directors Meeting of Edgefield County Water and Sewer Authority was held on June 27, 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 June 24, 2022.

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

**INVOCATION:** Kitchens

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 Johnson to approve the June 27, 2022 Agenda. Second by Smith. Vote unanimous to approve the agenda.

**MINUTES**: A motion was made by Johnson to approve the May 23, 2022 Minutes. Second by Creswell. Vote unanimous.

**PUBLIC COMMENT/Public Hearing on FY 2023 Budget:** No comments from the public on the FY 2023 Budget and no one present from the public.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT: After the reading of the bank balances, Administrator Hare discussed the Financial Statement ending May 31, 2022. Budget should be at 91.67%, Revenues are 95.28%, and Expenses are at 89.03%. Water & Sewer sales are up from last year.

#### REPORTS:

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

- Administrator Hare discussed the continued growth on the lower end of the system.
- Brooks St. upgrades are finishing up soon.

#### **BUSINESS**

# A. FY2023 Budget Final Reading

Administrator Hare led the Board in a review of the FY2023 budget. Administrator Hare presented the final draft of the FY 2023 Budget with revenues and expenditures of \$11,033,946. No changes to the budget have been made since the second reading in May. Administrator Hare recommended adoption of the budget. A motion was made by Clark to accept the budget. Second by Kitchens. No further discussion. Vote unanimous.

#### B. Resolution Regarding Adjustment of FY2023 Rates

Administrator Hare presented a resolution amending water and sewer rates in the current Water Users Rules and Regulations. This adjustment is needed to keep pace with the rising inflation rate and the cost of providing services to ECWSA customers.

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA	)	
	)	RESOLUTION No. 01-2022
EDGEFIELD COUNTY	)	
	,	Revising Water & Sewer Charges and other Fees by Amending the Edgefield County Water and Sewer
		•
		Users Rules and Regulations

Whereas, the Edgefield County Water and Sewer Authority (the Authority) is a body Corporate and Politic and a Special Purpose District, created by Act No. 571 of the Acts and Joint Resolutions of the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina, regular session of 1967, as amended, whereby the Authority is given the function to acquire, construct and operate a waterworks and sewer system within its service area, which consists of the territory of Edgefield County, South Carolina and a small area in the Southwestern corner of Aiken County, South Carolina, exclusive of any area within an incorporated municipality which owns and operates a municipal water works system;

Whereas, in order to perform its statutory function to operate and maintain the waterworks and sewer system, the Authority is authorized to adjust water and sewer rates as needed;

Whereas, each residential, commercial or industrial customer of the Authority's system must pay such customer's proportionate share of costs for operation and maintenance of the system; In addition, each customer must pay an amount to share the costs of debt service and to provide for Depreciation / Contingency funds;

Now, therefore, be it resolved, by the Board of Directors of the Edgefield County Water and Sewer Authority, that a resolution approving a revised schedule of water and sewer charges and fees be adopted.

Effective as of July 1, 2022, Sections IV and V of the Water and Sewer User Rules and Regulations are hereby amended and when amended shall read as follows:

# 1. Water Service Charge For All Classes

	Meter S	<u>Size</u>	Mete	<u>r Size</u>
	3/4"	\$18.92	3"	\$187.97
	1"	\$31.39	4"	\$313.16
	1-1/2"	\$62.59	6"	\$626.53
	2"	\$100.19	8"	\$1002.48
			10"	\$1604.00
2.	Resider	ntial Water Rates		
	First 8,	000 Gallons		\$2.93 Per 1,000 Gallons
	8,001-1	6,000 Gallons		\$3.75 Per 1,000 Gallons
	16,001-	24,000 Gallons		\$4.34 Per 1,000 Gallons
	24,001-	32,000 Gallons		\$4.85 Per 1,000 Gallons
	Over 32	2,000 Gallons		\$5.36 Per 1,000 Gallons
3.	Comme	rcial Water Rates		
	First	100,000 Gallons		\$2.85 Per 1,000 Gallons
	Over	100,000 Gallons		\$2.51 Per 1,000 Gallons
4.	Industr	ial Water Rates		
	First	100,000 Gallons		\$2.24 Per 1,000 Gallons
	Over	100,000 Gallons		\$1.95 Per 1,000 Gallons

#### B. Sewer Service

There are five (5) classes of sewer service: Residential, Commercial, Industrial, Prison, and Wholesale/Saluda County. Each sewer service will fit into one of the five classes and will be billed at the rate for that class. The sewer service charge will be charged to all customers and does not include a water-use allowance. Sewer rates will be charged on 100% of the amount of water metered each month with a cap of 12,000 gallons for residential customers.

1. Sewer Service Charge For All Classes

Meter Size		Meter Size		
3/4	\$13.25	3"	\$132.39	
1"	\$22.11	4"	\$220.56	
1-1/2"	\$44.10	6"	\$441.29	
2"	\$70.57	8"	\$706.08	

2. Residential Sewer Rate

Flat Rate \$4.68 Per 1,000 Gallons (12,000 Gallon Cap)

3. Commercial Sewer Rate

Flat Rate \$4.68 Per 1,000 Gallons

4. Industrial Sewer Rate

Flat Rate \$4.68 Per 1,000 Gallons

5. Other Sewer Rates

Flat Rate \$6.25 Per 1,000 Gallons For State and Federal

**Prisons** 

(Based on 85% of water metered each month)

Flat Rate \$4.41 Per 1,000 Gallons for Saluda County

(Based on amount of wastewater metered each

month)

Monthly Charge \$32.21 for Sewer Only Customers (No Water

Service)

# C. <u>Temporary Services</u>

- 1. Temporary services will be installed only for special services where the total time for use of the service is less than sixty (60) days. The user desiring such service will be required to pay the actual cost of the installation and the service will be billed in accordance with the water service and sewer service schedules above.
- 2. Water used from fire hydrants for other than fire protection shall be metered. The following rules will apply:
  - a. A permit fee of \$100.00, which provides service for up to 30 days shall be paid before allowing water to be used.
  - b. After 30 days Rental Fee on meter = \$2.00 per day.

- c. Water will be billed on a monthly basis at the rate of \$3.75 per 1,000 gallons
- d. No water shall be used from the fire hydrants except for special community services as approved by the Board or Administrator, on an individual basis.
- e. Charge for filling a swimming pool up to size 40' x 20' will be \$250.00. Charge for filling larger sized pools will be determined by the Business Manager.
- f. The proper hydrant wrench and hose threads shall be used.
- g. Any damage to hydrant and/or meter will be charged to the responsible user.
- h. Authority shall install and relocate hydrant meter and have final decision on location. Meter can only be relocated by Authority staff.
- i. After Permit Fee is paid Authority to set meter within 48 hours during normal working hours.
- j. There shall be a relocation fee of \$50.00 per meter if the customer requests the hydrant meter be moved. If the Authority moves the hydrant meter for Authority related reasons, (i.e. hydrant issues, flow issues, dirty water, etc.) there will be no charge.
- 3. Temporary services for house cleaning, one-time events, or other uses that are non-reoccurring (less than 3 times per year) shall be charged at a rate of \$25 per ten days.
  - a. Any service that is needed more than described above shall be classified as permanent and shall be treated as a "normal" or "typical" connection.
  - b. Any usage in excess of 2,000 gallons shall be charged at \$2.93/1000 gallons.
  - c. Any variance from the above regulation will be at the sole discretion of the Business Manager or Administrator.

# SECTION V SERVICE CONNECTIONS FEES AND "OTHER" FEES

#### A. Water Connection Fees

The Authority will not provide a free water tap. The Authority will install a service connection to the property line of the user. The service connections and meters are the property of the Authority and only duly authorized employees or agents of the Authority are to install and maintain them.

# 1. Tap Fees for Residential Customers

Meter Size	Total Service	Meter Only
3/4"	\$1,500.00	\$ 500.00
1"	\$1,700.00	\$ 600.00
2"	\$4,500.00	\$1,200.00

Charges for larger meters will be based on actual cost.

2. Tap Fees for Industrial/Commercial Customers where the Authority installs the tap, meter and all associated appurtenances.

Meter Size	Total Service
3/4"	\$1,500.00
1"	\$1,700.00
2"	\$4,500.00
3"	$$5,000.00 + \cos f$ materials

# K. Developer's Fees

# 1) Plan Review, Permitting & Processing Fee

Review, process, and permit plans of developers who wish to expand the system are required to pay a fee of \$500.

# 2) Hydrant Flow Testing Fee

The Authority charges \$50 for each flow test that requires Authority staff. Developer's Engineer or representative must also be present to witness the flow test.

# 3) Bacteriological Testing

The Authority allows the developer and engineer a choice: Sampling of the newly added lines by a SCDHEC approved lab of the developers choosing at the cost of the developer or the Authority will sample for the developer at a cost of \$100 per sample.

# 4) Pressure Test Observation

The developer's engineer is to witness or observe pressure tests. If the Authority is asked to witness a test for a developer or contractor, a fee of \$50 would be charged. If the Authority is in the course of routine inspection and witness's a test, there is no charge.

# L. Outside Holding Tank Waste

ECW&SA will not accept outside holding tank waste effective 07/01/2015

# SECTION VI CHANGE OF LOCATION OR SIZE OF SERVICE AND METERS AND SEWER SERVICE

A.	Should a user desire to change the location of a water or sewer service serving a
	particular property to another location on the same property, the Authority will move the
	service at the user's expense based on fee's listed below:

3/4" = \$525.00 1" = \$625.00

Larger Meters Actual Cost

- B. Should the Authority desire to move or improve a water or sewer service to provide better service to the user, then the Authority will bear the expense of moving the service.
- C. A user desiring to increase the size of water service will receive \$ 100 credit off the price

DONE THIS 27th day of June 2022, at Edgefield, South Carolina

Approved By:	
Chairman	
Vice Chairman	-
Treasurer / Secretary	_
Board Member	
Board Member	
Board Member	-
Board Member	

Administrator	 	
ATTEST:		
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A motion was made by Washington to adopt the Resolution. Second by Smith. No discussion. Vote unanimous.

#### C. Proposed Modifications to ECWSA Legislation

Administrator Hare presented a draft of potential revisions to the current legislation that governs ECWSA, Section 6-13-920 & 6-13-1010 of the S.C. Code of Law. These revisions would enable replacement of a Board member due to incapacitation and an increase in the amount that ECWSA could fine individuals due to tampering with the system.

#### SECTION 6-13-920. Composition; terms; appointment.

The authority shall be composed of seven members, who shall be resident electors of either Edgefield or Aiken Counties; provided, however, that no more than two members may be resident electors of Aiken County. Those members of the authority who are resident electors of Edgefield County must be appointed by the Governor, upon the recommendation of a majority of the members of the Edgefield County Council with the approval of the Edgefield County Legislative Delegation. The Governor, upon the recommendation of the members of the Edgefield County Legislative Delegation, may appoint no more than two members of the authority who must be resident electors of Aiken County and who must reside within the service area of the authority in Aiken County. Of those originally appointed, two shall be appointed for terms of two years, two for terms of four years, and one for a term of six years. Upon the termination of the terms of the original members, their successor shall be appointed by the Governor, in the same manner as is provided for the original appointment, for terms of six years. Any vacancy occurring by reason of death, resignation, physical/mental incapacitation, non-attendance or otherwise shall be filled for the remainder of the unexpired term by appointment of the Governor in the same manner as is provided for the original appointment. Physical incapacitation, mental incapacitation, and non-attendance will be determined by majority vote of Board members and with consent of the Legislative Delegation. All members of the authority shall hold office until their successors shall have been appointed and shall have qualified.

#### SECTION 6-13-1010. Penalties; prohibited acts.

It shall be unlawful for any person to willfully injure or destroy, or in any manner hurt, damage, tamper with, or impair the facilities of the Authority, or any part of such facilities, or any machinery, apparatus or equipment of the Authority, or to pollute the water in any part of its service area, or to obtain water therefrom except in accordance with the regulations promulgated by the Authority. Any person so offending shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be fined not less than ten one hundred dollars nor more than one hundred ten thousand dollars, or shall be imprisoned for not more than thirty days at the discretion of the court, and shall be further liable to pay all damages suffered by the Authority.

# ARTICLE 9 Edgefield County Water and Sewer Authority

SECTION 6-13-910. Edgefield County Water and Sewer Authority; service area.

There is hereby created a body corporate and politic to be known as the Edgefield Count Sewer Authority, hereinafter sometimes referred to as the "Authority." Its service area shall i Edgefield County, and the small area of Aiken County described in 6-13-960, excluding any a incorporated municipality which owns and operates a municipal waterworks system. It shall be function of the Authority to acquire supplies of fresh water, capable of being used for it domestic purposes, and to distribute such water, in the manner herein provided, for industrial a use within its service area. To that end, it shall be empowered to construct such reservoirs, divingounding dams or dikes, canals, conduits, aqueducts, tunnels, water distribution facilities, and water lines, as in the opinion of the Authority may be deemed necessary, and to acquirely rights of way, easements, machinery, apparatus and equipment as shall be deemed useful then

HISTORY: 1967 Act No. 571, Section 1, eff July 12, 1967; 1970 Act No. 1192, Section 1, eff? Code Commissioner's Note

This section was codified at the direction of the Code Commissioner in 2012.

Effect of Amendment

The 1970 amendment inserted after "County," "and the small area of Aiken County describe 6-13-960,"; inserted "which owns and operates a municipal waterworks system" after "munic inserted between the words "the" and "function" the word "principal".

# SECTION 6-13-920. Composition; terms; appointment.

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HISTORY: 1967 Act No. 571, Section 2, eff July 12, 1967; 1973 Act No. 337, Section 1, eff Jur 2012 Act No. 240, Section 1, eff June 18, 2012.

Code Commissioner's Note

This section was codified at the direction of the Code Commissioner in 2012.

**Editor's Note** 

1973 Act No. 337, Section 2, provides as follows:

# SECTION 6-13-930. Compensation.

Members of the authority are authorized a per diem of fifty dollars and may be reimbursed for their personal automobile in traveling on necessary official business at the rate of twenty-one and for any actual expenses incurred in connection with the business of the authority.

HISTORY: 1967 Act No. 571, Section 3, eff July 12, 1967; 1986 Act No. 600, Section 1, eff Ju Code Commissioner's Note

This section was codified at the direction of the Code Commissioner in 2012.

**Effect of Amendment** 

The 1986 amendment rewrote this section.

#### **SECTION 6-13-940.** Organization.

The Authority shall convene and organize by electing one of their number as chairman, a vice-chairman, and a third as secretary. The terms of office of the foregoing officers of the Aut be for such period as the Authority shall determine in its bylaws.

HISTORY: 1967 Act No. 571, Section 4, eff July 12, 1967.

Code Commissioner's Note

This section was codified at the direction of the Code Commissioner in 2012.

# SECTION 6-13-950. Reports.

The secretary of the Authority shall from time to time file in the office of the Clerk of Court fo County appropriate certificates showing the personnel of the Authority and the duration of the trespective members.

HISTORY: 1967 Act No. 571, Section 5, eff July 12, 1967.

Code Commissioner's Note

This section was codified at the direction of the Code Commissioner in 2012.

# SECTION 6-13-960. Sale of water restricted.

To the end that the Authority shall not unduly compete with the existing publicly operated wat in the county, the Authority shall not sell water to be used by persons or private corporations corporate limits of municipalities which own and operate therein a municipal waterworks syste now served by such municipalities without the consent of the municipal officers of such municip shall it sell water elsewhere than in Edgefield County and in a small area in the southwestern Aiken County bounded on the cast by the eastern right of way of U.S. Highway No. 25 and on the the southern right of way of U.S. Interstate 20. Edgefield County and the above described area County are hereby defined to be the service area of the Authority.

HISTORY: 1967 Act No. 571, Section 6, eff July 12, 1967; 1970 Act No. 1192, Section 2, eff Ma Code Commissioner's Note

This section was codified at the direction of the Code Commissioner in 2012.

Effect of Amendment

The 1970 amendment rewrote this section.

- (1) To have perpetual succession.
- (2) To sue and be sued.
- (3) To adopt, use and alter a corporate seal.
- (4) To define a quorum for its meetings.
- (5) To establish a principal office.
- (6) To make bylaws for the management and regulation of its affairs.
- (7) To build, construct, maintain and operate canals, aqueducts, ditches, tunnels, culverts, conduits, mains, pipes, dikes, dams and water reservoirs.
  - (8) To impound fresh water in lakes or reservoirs.
- (9) To build, construct, maintain and operate water distribution systems for the distribution of domestic or industrial use and from time to time enlarge and extend such systems.
- (10) To acquire and operate any type of machinery, appliances or appurtenances, necessary or discharge the functions committed to the Authority by this act.
- (11) To accept gifts or grants of services, properties or moneys from the United States, or a agencies, under such conditions as the United States, or such agency shall prescribe.
  - (12) Subject to the provisions of Section 6-13-960, to sell water for industrial or domestic use.
  - (13) To prescribe rates and regulations under which water shall be sold for domestic and indust
- (13A) To prescribe rates and regulations under which sewer service shall be provided for domindustrial use.
- (14) Subject to the provisions of Section 6-13-960, to enter into contracts for the sale of water, up terms as the parties thereto shall approve, with persons, private corporations, municipal corporation bodies, public agencies and with the United States Government or any agencies thereof.
- (15) To prescribe such regulations as it shall deem necessary to protect from pollution all wa canals, aqueducts, reservoirs or distribution systems, and to provide for the efficient and sanitary cand treatment of sewage.
- (16) To make contracts of all sorts and to execute all instruments necessary or convenient for the on of the Authority.
  - (17) To lease or sell and convey lands, or interests therein.
- (18) To make use of county and State highway rights of way in which to lay pipes and lines, manner and under such conditions as the appropriate officials in charge of such rights of way shall:
- (19) Subject always to the limitations of Section 15, Article VIII of the Constitution, to make us streets and public ways of any incorporated municipality for the purpose of laying pipes and lines.
- (20) To alter and change county and State highways wherever necessary in order that it may d the functions committed to it, in such manner and under such conditions as the appropriate off charge of such highways shall approve.
- (21) To acquire, by purchase, gift, or through the exercise of eminent domain, all land, interests easements, rights of way which the Authority shall deem necessary to enable it to fully and addischarge all functions committed to it. The power herein granted shall be deemed to include the pacquire protective areas of land adjacent to any of its facilities.
- (22) To exercise the power of eminent domain for any corporate function. The power of eminent may be exercised through any procedure prescribed by law or by following the procedure for the of eminent domain by the Department of Transportation, prescribed by Article 1, Chapter 3, Titl such statutes are now constituted or as they may afterwards be constituted following any amer thereto.
- (23) To appoint officers, agents, employees and servants, to prescribe the duties of such, to 1 compensation and to determine if and to what options there also be a such as a s

sums borrowed may be those needed to pay all costs incident to the construction and establish facilities, and any extension, addition, and improvement thereto, including engineering costs, c costs, the sum needed to pay interest during the period prior to which the facilities, or any addition or improvement thereto shall be fully in operation, and self-liquidating, such sum as i supply working capital to place the facilities in operation, and all other expenses of any so Authority may incur in establishing, extending and enlarging the facilities. Neither the faith at the State, nor of any county, municipality, or political subdivision of the State shall be pled payment of the principal and interest of the obligations and there shall be on the face of each c statement, plainly worded to that effect. Neither the members of the Authority nor any person obligations shall be personally liable thereon. To the end that a convenient procedure for borrow may be prescribed, the Authority shall be fully empowered to avail itself of all power granted by Chapter 16, Title 6, as now or hereafter constituted, it being the intent of this provision 1 amendments and modifications of these Code provisions shall be deemed to amend correspondingly the powers granted by this section. In exercising the power conferred upon the by such Code provisions, the Authority may make all pledges and covenants authorized by an thereof, and may confer upon the holders of its securities all rights and liens authorized by provisions. Specifically, and notwithstanding contrary provisions in any of such Code pro contrary provisions there be, the Authority may:

- (a) Covenant and agree that upon it being adjudged in default as to the payment of any ins principal or interest upon any obligation issued by it or in default as to the performance of any c undertaking made by it, that in such event, the principal of all obligations of such issue may t forthwith due and payable, notwithstanding that any of them may not have then matured;
- (b) Confer upon a corporate trustee the power to make disposition of the proceeds from all t and of all revenues derived from the operation of the facilities, in accordance with and in the priority prescribed by the resolutions adopted by the Authority as an incident to the issuance of bonds or other types of securities;
- (c) Declare that such obligations and the interest thereon shall be exempt from all Star municipal, school district, and all other taxes or assessments, direct or indirect, general or special imposed for the purpose of general revenue or otherwise. This provision shall be deemed a contract, inuring to the benefit of all holders or beneficiaries of its securities;
- (d) Dispose of its obligations at public or private sale, and upon such terms and conditions approve;
- (e) Make such provision for the redemption of any obligations issued by it prior to their states with or without premium, and on such terms and conditions as the Authority shall approve;
- (f) Covenant and agree that any cushion fund established to further secure the payment of the and interest of any obligations shall be in a fixed amount;
- (g) Limit or prohibit free service to any person, firm, corporation, municipal corporation subdivision or division of the State;
- (h) Prescribe the procedure, if any, by which the terms of the contract with the holders of its o may be amended, the number of obligations whose holders must consent thereto, and the manne such consent shall be given;
- (i) Prescribe the events of default and the terms and conditions upon which all or any obligate become or may be declared due before maturity, and the terms and conditions upon which such d and its consequences may be waived.
  - (26) To do all other acts and things necessary or convenient to correspond to the function or named to the corresponding to the corresp

- (29) To build, acquire, construct, maintain, enlarge and improve sewer lines and facili treatment and disposal of sewage and other waste.
- (30) To acquire existing water systems and sewer systems upon such terms and condit Authority shall agree upon, including any such systems under construction.

HISTORY: 1967 Act No. 571, Section 6, eff July 12, 1967; 1970 Act No. 1192, Sections 3, 4, 1970; 1971 Act No. 593, Section 1, eff July 7, 1971.

Code Commissioner's Note

This section was codified at the direction of the Code Commissioner in 2012.

**Effect of Amendment** 

The 1970 amendment rewrote item (15), and added items (28), (29), and (30).

The 1971 amendment added item (13A).

#### **SECTION 6-13-980.** Rates.

The rates charged for services furnished by the Authority shall not be subject to supervision of by any State bureau, board, commission or like instrumentality or agency thereof.

HISTORY: 1967 Act No. 571, Section 8, eff July 12, 1967.

Code Commissioner's Note

This section was codified at the direction of the Code Commissioner in 2012.

# SECTION 6-13-990. Tax exempt.

All property of the Authority shall be exempt from all ad valorem taxes levied by the State any municipality, division, subdivision or agency thereof, direct or indirect.

HISTORY: 1967 Act No. 571, Section 9, eff July 12, 1967.

Code Commissioner's Note

This section was codified at the direction of the Code Commissioner in 2012.

# SECTION 6-13-1000. Fiscal year; audits.

The Authority shall conduct its affairs on the fiscal year basis employed by the State, viz., its shall begin on July first of each year and shall end on the thirtieth day of June of the succeedin shortly after the close of its fiscal year as may be practicable, an audit of its affairs shall be made t public accountants, of good standing, to be designated by the Authority. Copies of such audits, in into an annual report of the Authority, shall be filed in the office of the Clerk of Court for Edgefie and with the Secretary of State.

HISTORY: 1967 Act No. 571, Section 10, eff July 12, 1967.

Code Commissioner's Note

This section was codified at the direction of the Code Commissioner in 2012.

# SECTION 6-13-1010. Penalties; prohibited acts.

It shall be unlawful for any person to willfully injure or destroy, or in any manner hurt, dama; with, or impair the facilities of the Authority, or any part of such facilities, or any machinery, ap equipment of the Authority, or to pollute the water in any part of its service area. Or to ob-

# Code Commissioner's Note

This section was codified at the direction of the Code Commissioner in 2012.

# SECTION 6-13-1020. Disposition of revenue.

All revenues derived by the Authority from the operation of its facilities, which may not be discharge covenants made by it in issuing bonds, notes or other obligations authorized by this disposed of by the Authority from time to time for purposes germane to the functions of the A in such other manner as the General Assembly may, by proper enactment, direct.

HISTORY: 1967 Act No. 571, Section 12, eff July 12, 1967.

Code Commissioner's Note

This section was codified at the direction of the Code Commissioner in 2012.

# SECTION 6-13-1030. Contractual authority.

All municipalities, public bodies and public agencies operating water district systems in and Edgefield County shall be fully empowered to enter into contracts to buy water from the Auth contracts shall extend over such period of time and shall contain such terms and conditions mutually agreeable to the Authority, and to the contracting municipality, public body or public municipality or other agency operating water systems shall extend its present facilities beyond th limits without prior written approval of the Authority.

HISTORY: 1967 Act No. 571, Section 13, eff July 12, 1967.

After discussion, the Board instructed Administrator Hare to further review the revisions with the Edgefield Legislative Delegation prior to an official vote by the Board. This item is tabled until a later date.

# D. Audit Services Engagement for FY 2022 Audit

Administrator Hare presented an engagement letter from Mauldin and Jenkins to perform the FY 2022 audit of ECWSA's finances. The cost of these services will be approximately \$20,250. Johnson asked if this was comparable to last year's cost. Hare answered that it was up slightly, but in was in line with costs increases the Authority is seeing across the Board. A motion was made by Johnson to accept the proposal from M&J. Second by Creswell. No further discussion. Vote unanimous.

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

Motion was made by Clark to adjourn.

Second by Kitchens

Time: 6:45 p.m., June 27, 2022

Vote Unanimous

Approxed.

James Earl Kennamer, Chairman