EDGEFIELD COUNTY WATER & SEWER AUTHORITY
BOARD MEETING MINUTES

The September 2025 Regular Board of Directors Meeting of Edgefield County Water and Sewer Authority was held on September 22, 2025, 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 September 19 , 2025.

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

INVOCATION: Washington

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: Administrator Hare, Business Manager Carroway

GUEST PRESENT: Tony Baughman-*EdgefieldCountyNews.com*

AGENDA: A motion was made by Johnson to approve the September 22, 2025 Agenda. Second by Washington. Vote unanimous to approve the agenda.

MINUTES: A motion was made by Johnson to approve the August 25, 2025 Minutes. Second by Creswell. Vote unanimous.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

PRESENTATION OF THE DRAFT FY2025 ECWSA FINANCIAL AUDIT: Grant Davis of Mauldin & Jenkins presented the draft of the ECWSA FY 2025 Financial Audit. Overall, the Authority's finances are in excellent shape, and the final draft should be ready for presentation at the October 20254 meeting.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT: After reading the bank balances, Administrator Hare discussed the Financial Statement ending August 31, 2025. Budget should be at 16.67%, Revenues were at 22.02% and Expenses were at 17.02%. Usage and billing were up as compared with the previous year.

REPORTS:

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

- Hare presented a slide show about on-going SCIIP project at the Water Treatment Plant. Highlights shown were the Construction of the new High Service pumping station, yard piping, and clearwell renovations. Project is still on track at current time.
- ECWSA has received $335,465.31 to date in FEMA reimbursement.

BUSINESS

A. PURCHASE OF NEW MINI EXCAVATOR

Administrator Hare discussed the need to purchase a new mini excavator with the Board. One of the current machines has had excessive down time over the last two years resulting in the need to rent a machine while it was being serviced. Hare presented the following bids:

DEALER	MAKE/MODEL	PRICE
J&B Tractor Company	Kubota U35-4	$42,250
Dobbs Equipment	John Deere 35 P	$49,950
Hills Machinery	Hitachi ZX35U	(no bid)
Hills Machinery	Case CX37C	$53,431

Hare recommended the purchase of the Kubota U35-4 at a price of $42,250 to the Board. A motion was made by Creswell to approve the purchase. Second by Clark. No discussion. Vote unanimous.

B. ADDITIONAL WTP WORK-HIGH SERVICE TRANSMISSION YARD PIPING

Hare discussed the option with the Board to perform some additional work at the WTP with the existing contractor (MB Kahn) with Authority funds, outside of the scope of the SCIIP project. This work would include extension of the 24" High Service line to facilitate Phase Two of WTP/Distribution Improvements planned for the future. Hare recommended this additional work based off of previously established pricing from the SCIIP project. A motion was made by Washington to proceed with this work. Second by Smith. No discussion. Vote unanimous.

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

Motion was made by Washington to adjourn.
Second by Clark
Time: 6:35 p.m., September 22, 2025
Vote Unanimous

Approved

James Earl Kennamer

James Earl Kennamer, Chairman