

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Edgemont Community Services District, held at the Edgemont Community Center, was called to order at 7:01 p.m. by Mike Addie, President. Those board members present were Mike Addie, Brenda Addie, Cheryl, Franklin, Hillary Ledbetter, and Moses Taylor Jr. Also present were Sam Gershon, engineer, Edward Mackey, attorney, Sandra Leer, attorney, and Jessica Pfalmer, general manager.

Approve Minutes of January 23, 2025

Brenda moved to approve the minutes; Hillary seconded. Motion was carried.

Public comment

There were no members of the public present.

Legal

Public hearing followed by Board action on Ordinance Increasing Board Members

Compensation – Public hearing opened with no one wishing to comment. Public hearing closed.

Ed reviewed the information about board compensation for Rubidoux and Jurupa Community Services Districts. He also provided information about the daily rate for the board members of the Eastern Municipal Water District. Moses moved to adopt Ordinance No. 373, “...increasing the amount of compensation of members of the board of directors for each day of service,”

Hillary seconded the motion. There was a short discussion of the rates. Mike called for a vote: one yes, four nos. Motion was not carried.

Engineering

Sam reviewed the engineering report of February 25, 2025. He specifically noted that the review of the video inspections of the mainlines, laterals and manholes revealed recommendations for numerous repairs/replacements. The initial estimates indicate mainline repairs totaling \$7.63M and lateral replacements totaling up to \$11.84M. Manhole repair work estimates have not yet been determined. They will provide suggested project priorities in future meetings.

22085 Cottonwood Ave. Apts. – Approval of sewer availability letter – Engineers have prepared a hydraulic review of the mainlines that would be affected by this project. Though there is enough treatment capacity for this project, there are sewer mainline capacity concerns; a portion of Cottonwood’s mainline appears to need upsizing. The engineers requested an additional two months to further evaluate the capacity needs of this location to provide a more complete response to the sewer availability letter request. Cheryl moved to grant the engineers additional time to evaluate the capacity needs for this location, Brenda seconded, and the motion was carried.

Administration

Financial report – January 2025 – Jessica noted that the Profit & Loss by Class on the lines 49357 Sewer User Charges and 4990 Revenue – Illumination District show the amounts received

from the first installment of the property taxes for FY 2024-25. She also noted that the check on the Cash Disbursements Listing under 1028 – General Fund – Five Star Bank on 01/23/25 for Golden Bell Products, Inc. in the amount of \$8,480 is for the pesticide spraying of the manholes that is done every 18 months.

Journal transfer of funds – approval – Brenda moved to approve the journal transfer of funds, Moses seconded, motion carried.

Submission of “No Spill Report” to State Water Resources Control Board – The report was submitted as required.

Wells Fargo Bank – Authorizing closure of checking and credit card accounts – Jessica requested that the Board authorize the closing of the Wells Fargo accounts since the Five Star Bank accounts are functioning well. Hillary moved to close the Wells Fargo Bank checking and credit card accounts, Moses seconded, motion was carried.

Sewer rates for FY25-26 – discussion of possible changes – Jessica provided a memo with information about the current rates for ECSD and other local agencies providing sewer services, and forecasted income and expense (excluding capital projects) for the District through FY 2028. Jessica explained the memo and exhibits. Cheryl moved to have the engineers prepare the engineer’s report for FY 2025-26, increasing the Annual Sewer User Rate per EDU by \$120 to \$352, Moses seconded, motion was carried.

Monthly update – other items – Jessica said that she has been having a lot of computer issues and will be looking into the replacement of the District computer. She also said that she has been having internet speed issues and will investigate them after she replaces the computer. She said that a new CA law went into effect about website accessibility, specifically making sure that websites and the materials on the sites are in a form that allow those with disabilities to access the information. She stated that the website itself is in compliance, but that most of the pdfs that are posted on it require corrections. She has been working on the corrections for simple/short documents. However, there are a number of documents that are required to be available on the website that will likely require hiring a professional to make the updates. She also let the board know that she is working a second job doing tax and bookkeeping work for a local accounting firm. The firm performs the audit services for Albert A. Webb Associates, but she will not be doing any work related to audits.

Open session ended at 9:26 p.m.

Closed session opened at 9:27 p.m.

Closed session - Discussions of groundwater and communication with water-related districts

Closed session ended at 9:44 p.m. with Mike reporting that the board moved to authorize a letter to be prepared and sent to the appropriate authorities at the state level regarding the groundwater issues that the region is facing.

Adjourned: 9:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Jessica Pfalmer
Secretary