

East Rio Hondo Water Supply Corporation

206 Industrial Pkwy. * P.O. Box 621* Rio Hondo, Texas 78583*www.erhws.com*Phone (956) 748-3633 Fax 748-3179

"This institution is an equal opportunity provider and employer"

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING AGENDA

February 12, 2024 6:00 P.M.

The East Rio Hondo Water Supply Corporation (ERHWSC) reserves the right to adjourn into executive session on any of the items listed on this Agenda, if at any time during the meeting an item meets the criteria which allow for executive session under Texas Government Code, Chapter 55, Subchapter D. Any public individual, member, or applicant party may provide public comment on any agenda or nonagenda item as long as they have signed the sign-in sheet before the meeting is called to order by the presiding officer.

1. Confirm posting of notice and attendance by quorum of Directors.
2. General public comment period. LIMIT of TWO MINUTES per member of the public. Those wanting to provide general public comment must sign up before the meeting begins.
3. Discuss and take possible action on adjustment of customers' bills and connection fees.
4. Consent Items-All items under the consent agenda are heard collectively unless a director requests otherwise, in which case the specifically requested item will be considered, discussed, and possible action will be taken separately:
 - A. Approve January 8, 2024 ERHWSC Board of Directors Meeting Minutes.
 - B. Discuss and take possible action on unaudited December 31, 2023 Financial Statements.
 - C. Approve payment of January 2024 invoices.
 - D. Approve payment plans requested by members with significantly higher than average bills.
5. Discuss and take possible action on memorial for late Director David Benton "Ben" Cowan.
6. Executive Session: Advice of Legal Counsel as per Government Code Chapter 551, Subchapter D, Section 551.071 on Potential or Pending Litigation Pertaining to:
 - A. National Rural Water Association (NRWA) class action lawsuit against per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) manufacturers.
 - B. Litigation between ERHWSC and Noe & Sandra Puga pertaining to proposed Titan Ranch Subdivision.
 - C. Demand by AT&T for fiber optic line repair on February 2, 2022.
 - D. Encroachment on ERHWSC property at Main Office location by City of Rio Hondo.
 - E. Utilization of ERHWSC Right of Way Easement on Lot 13, Block 1, San Jose Resaca View Subdivision, Phase I.

- F. Neely Clay Energy, LLC blanket easement release request pertaining to Right of Way Easements recorded as Instrument Number 2016-38342 and Instrument Number 2016-38343, Official Records of Cameron County, Texas.
7. Discuss and take possible action on Executive Session Item 6.
 8. Asset Management Presentation provided by Richard Correa, P.E., Garver Inc.
 9. Discuss and take possible action on mileage reimbursement payment for ERHWSC President Robert E. Middleton, Jr. effective January 2024.
 10. Discuss and take possible action on Resolution Declaring Unopposed Candidates of ERHWSC Elected pursuant to Texas Water Code Sections 67.0052(b) and 67.0055 and/or contract between ERHWSC and Mrs. Paula Rodriguez for Independent Election Auditor Services.
 11. Discuss and take possible action on request by Member for Membership #44492.
 12. Discuss and take possible action on proposed Minimum Requirements for Contractors and List of Approved Contractors for subdivision and line extension work.
 13. Discuss and take possible action on Gomez Tract Subdivision regarding partial utilization of Subchapter O of the Texas Water Code.
 14. Discuss and take possible action on proposed exchange of Certificate of Convenience and Necessity (CCN) service areas between ERHWSC and Military Highway Water Supply Corporation.
 15. Discuss and take possible action on proposed Non-standard Water Service Agreement between ERHWSC and ALL 100, LLC.
 16. Discuss and take possible action on Agreement between ERHWSC and Novotx, LLC pertaining to Elements XS Annual Subscription and Asset Management Onboarding Services.
 17. Discuss and take possible action to revise Amendment #21 to Master Agreement for Engineering Services between ERHWSC and Halff Associates, Inc. to pursue United States Department of Agriculture – Rural Development (USDA-RD) funding under the Community Facilities Program.
 18. Discuss and take possible action on proposed Resolution authorizing General Manager, Brian E. Macmanus, P.E. and/or President, Robert E. Middleton, Jr. to execute any and all documents related to the application to United States Bureau of Reclamation (USBOR) WaterSMART Water and Energy Efficiency Application to acquire smart meters and necessary appurtenances for advanced metering infrastructure (AMI).

19. Discuss and take possible action on funding application(s) to Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) for North RO Pipeline Extension project, and North Cameron Regional Water Treatment Plant Expansion, Phase II.
20. Discuss and take possible action to approve revisions to the ERHWSC Tariff Sections H. and I. Retail and Wholesale Drought Contingency and Emergency Water Demand Management Plans and Water Conservation Plan.
21. Discuss and take possible action to revise the ERHWSC Employee Policy Handbook, Stand-By Pay, Orientation Period, Pay Period, and Corporation Vehicles and Equipment sections.
22. Discuss and take possible action to lease 1,000 acre feet (AF) of Rio Grande River water rights from Harlingen Waterworks System and 900 AF of Rio Grande River water rights from Cameron County Irrigation District Number Two at \$60/AF.
23. General Manager's Business and Operations Report. The directors may discuss and take possible action on the following items:
 - A. NCRWTP repair and maintenance items;
 - B. Kamstrup Meter conversion;
 - C. American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Fiscal Recovery Funds for the Manhole Replacement to stop I&I at Colonia Arroyo Colorado Estates (ACE);
 - D. ARPA Fiscal Recovery Funds for the Nelson Road Water Treatment Plant Ground Storage Tank;
 - E. Madeira Development 16" Pipeline Extension;
 - F. Southside Wastewater Treatment Plant expansion engineering design status;
 - G. Amistad & Falcon Reservoir status and push-water notification from Cameron County Irrigation District Number 2 (CCID2);
 - H. Employee hiring/vacancy status;
 - I. TWDB Emerging Contaminants Funding April 1, 2024 Application Deadline; and
 - J. Payment Service Network (PSN) technical issues.
24. Adjourn.