EAST DUCHESNE CULINARY WATER IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT
Duchesne County Building
Board Meeting – September 10, 2025, at 7:00 PM

The East Duchesne Culinary Water Improvement District (EDCWID) board meeting was called to order by the Chairman Matthew G Betts, at 7:10 pm.

Meeting Attendees:
Chairman Matt Betts, Co-Chairman Chet Clayburn, board members Chet Hansen, Connie Sweat, District Manager Josh Byrnes; Danny Swasey, Alan Poulson, Austin Poulson, Jason Broome from Forsgren Engineering, and Clerk JoAnn Evans taking meeting minutes.

Absent:
Board member Clinton Moon

Public Comment:
None

Minutes:
The board reviewed the minutes from August 13, 2025, **working and regular meeting**. Board member Connie Sweat made the motion to approve the minutes. Board Member Chet Hansen seconded the motion. All board members present voted aye, and the motion passed.

Review of Budgets, Bank Statements, Accounts Payable, Payroll, Reconciliation, etc.
Board member Connie Sweat motioned to accept accounts payable, reconciliations, checks and payroll as presented. Board member Chet Hansen seconded the motion. All board members present voted aye, and the motion passed.

Review of Crescent Energy/ Javelin Energy – Account # 495
August usage was reviewed.

Discussion & Consideration of Resolution # 25-1 Canceling the 2025 General Election
Board member Chet Hansen motioned to approve Resolution #25-1 Canceling the 2025 General Election as there are no opponents for those who signed up to become board members. Board member Connie Sweat seconded the motion. All board members present voted aye. The motion passed.
Roll Call Vote:
Chairman Matthew G Betts – aye
Co-Chairman Chet Clayburn – aye
Board Member Connie Sweat – aye
Board Member Chet Hansen – aye
Board Member Clinton Moon - Absent

Discussion & Consideration of Water Connection for Alan Poulson
Alan Poulson stated that he talked with Lee Moon before he passed away about a water connection.

Clerk JoAnn Evans will check through the minutes and see if she can find anything about the conversation. Without confirmation about his conversation with Lee Moon, there is not much the board can do but move forward with a new connection application. Mr. Poulson will need to go over things with Manger Josh Byrnes as he would like to get 2 water lines in as soon as possible.

Discussion & Consideration of Blue Diamond Proppants Proposal
Manger Josh Byrnes read an email from Tony Lucyk – Blue Diamond Proppants (BDP). It states that they would like to make an agreement with us. They request up to 437.5 gallons per minute (GPM) or 15,000 barrels per day of water to sustain the process plant production. They are open to flexible and mutually beneficial commercial terms. Chairman Betts stated that we do not receive that kind of water from Central Utah Water Conservancy District. We need to take care of our residents first.

Update to the Utahn Pipeline and Tank
Jason Broome from Forsgren Engineering stated that we could draw up a new contract where JRock acknowledges damages to the tank. Co-Chairman Chet Clayburn stated we have been very lenient. We are 2 years past when this tank was supposed to be finished. Forsgren sent the letter discussed at the last board meeting.

JRock responded with a letter of their own. JRock's letter; **(1) REMAINING WORK;** JRock acknowledges the need to complete additional patching repair work on the inside of the tank to address the vertical cracks identified by the district. We will also commit to completing the tank punch list within 6 weeks of acceptance of this letter, to achieve substantial completion. **(2) CREDIT CHANGE ORDER – ADDISTIONAL COSTS ($214,613)** We acknowledge responsibility for the district's documented additional costs totaling $214,613 related to engineering, legal services, temporary water use, and easement adjustments. JRock will incorporate this amount into a formal credit change order to reduce the overall contract price. **(3) WARRANTY AND MAINTENANCE PROTECTION** We must respectfully reject the proposed $134,916.38 credit related to concrete quality. The tank has passed hydrostatic testing, and all repairs have been completed in accordance with approved methods under engineering oversight. **(4) CONTRACT PRICE ADJUSTMENT** Based on the above, JRock proposed the following adjustments; original contract price $2,883,790.35; credit change order (acknowledged costs) $214,613; revised contract price $2,669,177.35. **(5) PATH FORWARD** JRock is prepared to: Immediately proceed with the crack repairs to achieve full completion of the tank. Execute a two-year extended warranty agreement and three-year warranty bond. Apply the agreed upon credit change order of $214,613 to the contract. We believe this proposal provides a fair and reasonable resolution, balancing the district's concerns with JRock's commitment to stand behind its work and ensure reliable long-term performance of the tank. We respectfully request your acceptance so that project closeout may proceed without further delay. Sincerely, Jesse Barlow.

Chairman Matt Betts stated that we need to have a discussion with our attorney before we can move forward. We need to re-write our letter to JRock, so it has some teeth to it with the help of our attorney.

Update to the Bluebench Pump Station
Jason Broome stated that they have been looking at a different site and a different arrangement for the Bluebench Pump Station. Chairman Matt Betts stated they went to the South Duchesne Water District

and looked at one of their buildings. The building was expandable, and it was self-sustaining. We could add a generator. If we could get a positive pressure of 20-30 lbs. on 5500 south when we connect to the main line, it would be best. We need to check on the Chevron pipelines to see how wide the easements are. Manager Josh Byrnes says he has approached a landowner for a piece of his property. He is asking for $7,000 for it. Chairman Matt Betts thinks we should move forward on the purchase. Co-Chairman Chet Clayburn motion to approve the purchase of the required property. Board member Connie Sweat seconded the motion. All board member present voted aye. The motion passed.

We will only need 2 pumps instead of 4 for now while we make room for expansion. We will need the get with the County Emergency Management Director Josh Phillips to get a letter for the state.

Update from District Manager:

- Meters – The water connection for Randy & Tylee Sorsen was put in earlier today. Russ DeWar has concerns with putting in his line. He is a licensed contractor and would like a 2" meter put in. Chairman Matt Betts stated that we do not want to assume ownership of the 2" line. Our meters need to be put on the main line. If he would like to discuss this further, he needs to come to a board meeting and meet with the board.
- Equipment Purchases – None
- Antelope Lines – None
- Delinquencies –The delinquent bills were discussed and how to proceed.

Consideration of Updated Items from the District Manger

Manager Josh Byrnes stated he has taken the test that will allow him to take his CDL training. He has acquired a grant of $3,000 to help pay for the training.

Discussion & Consideration of Document Management System

The district cannot afford this software at this time.

Discussion Of Creating an Ordinance/Plan for Water Conservancy

Chairman Matt Betts stated that we need to get on the band wagon for water conservancy. The Division of Drinking Water wants to make it, so we pay fees to them. If we create our own ordinance to take care of our customers, that should help. The oil field is taking too much water from us and we need to regulate the usage for that.

Discussion of 2026 Budget

Tabled until September 24, 2025

Closed Session

None

Consideration to take action that was discussed under closed session.

none

Adjourned: 9:34 pm

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Matthew G. Betts
EDCWID Board Chairman

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JoAnn Evans
Clerk/Administrative Assistant