

EASTLAND SPECIAL SERVICE DISTRICT--Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, SEPTEMBER 10, 2025 at 6:00 PM MST
At the Eastland Schoolhouse

Call to order 6:03.

Board in attendance: Kay, Janet, Warren, Scott. **Staff:** Nancy.

Others in Attendance: Karl, Gary Crowley, Steve Barry, Gilbert, Lamar.

1- Vote: Approval of previous meeting minutes (6/11/2025 meeting). Warren votes we approve minutes as written. Scott seconded. All approve.

2- Public Comment: Time for citizens to address Board on matters not on the agenda. Comments should be limited to matters within the jurisdiction of the Board. If your comment concerns item on agenda please address the Board after that item is open for public comment. Chair may limit the duration of each speaker to 3 minutes.

Discussion Items

1-Update: YTD Financials. Need to increase water rates or run out of funds in 2-3 years. Nancy will check to make sure we are running on off peak times to keep electric bill down. Kay will talk to River Canyon about increasing their rate of tower rental. Otherwise look good.

2-Update: Current DEQ IPS Report. We have 0 points on our report. Things are looking good.

3-Update: Wiring for generator (125 points by 9/30/25 if not done) Submitted DEQ grant app \$8k. Presented to DWB on 8/27/25. Janet was able to get a grant to cover the expense to wire the generator. CAP Extension received, an extension on points will not be assessed unless not done by the end of the year.

4-Update-ESSD Water Rights (300 ac ft permanent rights from San Juan Water Conservancy District). Deed and ROC apps and change app submitted. advertising period ended on August 20th. Then the 20 day protest period proceeded until September 9th, after that office will process the application by issuing a decision (Order of the State Engineer) either approving, rejecting or conditioning your application. Cost for new water rights app total= \$335. We now have 400 ac ft of permanent water rights which will be enough for 80 homes. We are almost done with the total approval.

5-Update: 2023 Drinking Water Source Protection Plan approved by state. Next update due by 12/31/2028-Looks good.

6- Discussion: Meters status and updates (fixes, reading, and routing and other)-Everything is working right now. Might need more insulation for meters.

7- Update: Asset and Investment Survey now due early October-Diane will do it by early October.

Action Items

8-Discussion/Vote: Increase water rates and why. Recommended monthly increases (+\$5/household OM, +\$10/household base rate, double overage rates, increase quarter machine). Kay motions we research value of backhoe and at next meeting and decide if we are going to sell it and for what amount. Janet seconds. All approve. Kay motions we accept recommended monthly increases \$10 base rate, \$5 for O and M, double overage rates, double quarter machine effective November 1, 2025 Janet 2nd, all approve.

9- Discussion/Vote: Update on Alysén Tarrant. Process to pursue seeking water from Colorado and should we do so? (liquid not paper) Haven't been able to get ahold of Alysén Tarrant. Have given up on trying to work with her. Gary Crowley has talked with the manager of the water system that is running water to Colorado to State Line. They would be willing to sell us water over the state line that is already culinary. We would have to figure out how to get funding to put the system in from the state line to Eastland system. Gary will do some more research into the process involved for the next meeting. Janet will talk to Jeremy Redshaw about costs and location for drilling a new well for next meeting.

10-Vote: Possible Budget adjustments 2025

Cost to wire for generator (Northern Electric \$5,657.45 on April 17 & same now). Warren Motions we hire Northern Electric to put in the connection at the well to run a generator at the cost of \$5,657.45. Kay seconds, all approve.

11-Vote: Designation of next meeting-December 10, 2025-(second Wednesdays/Quarter)-Janet motions next meeting Dec 10 at 6pm. Kay seconds all approve.

12-Vote: Adjournment-Janet motions, Kay seconds, all approve. At 8:00pm

The undersigned, as Secretary of the Board of the Eastland Special Service District, certifies that the foregoing minutes were adopted at a Board meeting of the Eastland Special Service District, held on September 10, 2025.



ESSD SECRETARY