EAST DUCHESNE CULINARY WATER IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT Duchesne County Building RATE HEARING – April 10, 2024, at 6:00 PM

The East Duchesne Culinary Water Improvement District (EDCWID) board meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Matthew G Betts, at 6:00 pm.

Meeting Attendees:

Board Chairman Matthew G Betts, Board Co-Chairman Chet Clayburn, board members Connie Sweat, Clinton Moon, Chet Hansen. Others in attendance are Josh Byrnes, District Manager; Danny Swasey, Kim Swasey, Brent Fitzgerald, Fred Philpot from LRB Public Finance Advisors, Jason Broome & Skyler Cozzens from Forsgren Engineering, and Clerk JoAnn Evans taking meeting minutes.

Discussion of Increasing Water Rates:

Chairman Matt Betts stated that EDCWID has the need to increase monthly water bills for residential and commercial customers. There is also a need to increase the connection fees. Costs are going up for everything that we purchase, and we need to stay on top of the purchases. Fees for EDCWID have not been raised for 40 plus years. Since Lee Moon's passing, we have had to increase several things. Payroll, building rental, and buying equipment just to name a few. Mr. Moon did the business for EDCWID at his home and used his own equipment to connect meters or to do work on meters. We also have an aging system that needs to be updated.

Public Comment:

Brent Fitzgerald stated that he wanted to make sure that we were being fair and treating all customers the same. He was not opposed to the increase if everyone was being treated the same way. Chairman Matt Betts stated we were doing our best to make sure everyone was being treated fairly.

There was no one else who came to the rate hearing.

Board member Connie Sweat motioned to close the public hearing. Chet Hansen seconded the motion. All board members voted aye, and the motion passed.

Adjourned: 6:20 PM

Matthew G. Betts

EDCWID Board Chairman

JoAnn Evans

Clerk/Administrative Assistant

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