

ELLISPORT BAY SEWER DISTRICT
April 14th, 2026, 5:30 P.M.
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Chairman Roger Branscome called the Regular Board Meeting for April 14th, 2026, to order at 5:30 p.m.

PRESENT: Board Members Roger Branscome, Greg Field, Ellen Westfall Robert Wathen were present. Clerk Lori Grove and Operator Dex Vogel were present. Along with members of the public Brianna Chaugala, Jarius Ruen and James Cody

ADDITIONS AND CHANGES TO THE AGENDA: none

PUBLIC COMMENT: Brianna Chaugala spoke on behalf of Mr. Ross concerning the Hope Hotel in trying to understand the ERU that needs to be purchased and try to come to a resolution regarding the additional ERU that needs to be purchased related to the water meter usage. Mr. James Cody brought information regarding building an addition on his property, however his property is not within the service area of the sewer district. Mr. Darius Ruen presented the work his firm has been doing for the sewer district as it is required to meet the DEQ standards and additional updates.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Member Wathen moved to approve the Regular Board Meeting Minutes for March 10th, 2026. Member Westfall second. All in favor Aye. Motion approved.

NEW BUSINESS:

*A. There is a need for the office to have a mobile phone due to the multiple-step authentication practices now associated with most vendors used there for a vote was held to decide whether to approve a mobile phone for the office. Member Westfall moved to approve and Member Field second. All in favor Aye. Motion approved

*B The issue of removing former Chairmen Ken Kelley from all current access of active authorizations as it pertains to banking and other records was requested to update all systems to current board members. Member Westfall moved to approve and Member Field second. All in favor Aye. Motion approved

C. The board discussed the damage to East Hope's snowplow as there are issues with how the pavement around the sewer's manholes caused damaged to East Hopes plow when it hit the manhole it was determined that the damage was not the responsibility of the sewer district. The damage to the snowplow is \$1200.00

OLD BUSINESS:

*A. The board voted on prototypes for a seal for the sewer district the board voted for and approved the following option 5 and 7 seal to continue to be developed for a vote at a later time.

CLERK'S REPORT: Clerk Grove discussed the bills to be paid for the month of March. There was a reimbursement check being given to a customer who double paid their sewer bill, and the refund was given due to their request based on current circumstances. There was nothing unusual or outstanding and Motion to pay the bills. Member WestFall moved to approved and Member Field Second. All in favor Aye. Motion approved.

MAINTENANCE REPORT: Operator Vogel noted that there was nothing other than a bit of runoff and that he will be working on the down trees coming up. The board is mentioning taking a field trip out to the sewer fields when it dries up.

ADJOURNMENT: Member Westfall moved to adjourn the Regular Board Meeting. Wathen seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion approved. The regular meeting was adjourned at 6:34 p.m.