



MEETING MINUTES

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

DATE: August 8, 2025
TIME: 9:00 AM
LOCATION: 408 Carterville Road, Edwards, CO, and video conference

ATTENDANCE

Board members present in person: Richard Saxby, President; Terrence Boyle, Vice President; Hiren Patel, Treasurer; Harry Jasper, Secretary; Ellen Alexander, Assistant Secretary/Assistant Treasurer

Others present in person: Trevor Broersma, CMD General Manager; Nathon Goff, CMD Public Safety Manager; Annie Morris, Cordillera Equestrian Center Manager; Scott Fossberg, CMD Projects and Planning Supervisor; Siri Roman, ERWSD General Manager; David Norris, ERWSD Director of Business Administration; Lauren Snyder, ERWSD; Brian Thompson, ERWSD; Sue Becker, Norb Becker, Debbie Brady; Brooke Ferris; Cheryl Foley

Others present via video conference: Alan Pogue, CMD Legal Counsel; Erica Bush of CliftonLarsonAllen; Margaret Henderson of CliftonLarsonAllen; Traci Macnamara McCoy, CMD Communications Manager; Mike Autera; Erica Bush; Greg Murphy; Mike Mears; Melissa Murphy; Jerry Nichols; and Nukhet Saxby

CALL TO ORDER / DECLARATION OF QUORUM

Director Saxby called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM, noting a quorum was present.

ADEQUATE NOTICE / CONFLICT DISCLOSURE

Board members acknowledged receiving notice of the meeting no less than 24 hours in advance. No disclosures or conflicts with items on the agenda were cited.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Director Boyle made a motion to approve the agenda for the August 8, 2025, regular board meeting. Director Alexander seconded the motion; all approved.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Director Boyle made a motion to approve the consent agenda, seconded by Director Alexander. The Board approved the consent agenda, which included the June 13, 2025, board meeting minutes and the CMD Updated Technology Accessibility Resolution.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

ERWSD UPDATES: WATER USE AND FACILITY UPGRADES

Eagle River Water and Sanitation District (ERWSD) personnel described a new \$93-million bond issuance required to fund mandatory updates of the Edwards Regional Wastewater Treatment Facility. A ballot initiative will be presented this November to allow voters to choose whether to fund amortization of this bond through yearly property taxes (approximately \$112 per year for each \$1 million of real

property assessment) or through monthly water rates (\$268 per year of new fixed costs added to water rates for a typical residential customer). See “2025 Ballot Measure” at the top of the [erwsd.org website](https://erwsd.org) for the full presentation.

ERWSD also discussed this summer’s drought, indicating that water supply is at critical levels which may require mandatory conservation if the drought continues. ERWSD’s long-term goal is to stabilize water levels by reaching a voluntary and ongoing reduction of 400 acre-feet of water usage by customers by 2026. ERWSD also described a \$183-million redevelopment of the Bolts Lake Reservoir (1200 acre-feet of capacity) that is being planned. ERWSD answered questions from the CMD Board, mainly regarding whether ERWSD’s new rate design maximizes incentives for all customers to reduce water usage.

FIRE RESTRICTION UPDATE

Eagle River Fire Wildland Division / Eagle Valley Wildland's Tim Swaner described to the Board a Stage 3 Fire Restriction that was scheduled to go into effect at 11:00 a.m. on Friday, August 8, and that could potentially be ordered off and on for the next several weeks. He explained that Stage 3 is mandatory and automatic if and when a Stage 2 Restriction is in effect and the National Weather Service issues a Red Flag Warning. He explained that Stage 3 effectively requires that no heat sources may be used outdoors – including smoking, fire pits, grills, tiki lights, power equipment (lawn mowers, chain saws, etc.). For more information about current fire restrictions and exemptions, see the [fire restrictions tab at ECEmergency.org](https://erwsd.org/fire-restrictions), our county's primary site for emergency and public information. IT IS CRITICAL THAT EVERYONE IN CORDILLERA (RESIDENTS, GUESTS, CONTRACTORS, EMPLOYEES) COMPLY WITH THESE RESTRICTIONS.

FINANCIAL UPDATE

Director and Treasurer Hiren Patel reported that financials at the end of June are on target. He noted that a clean 2024 audit (with no recommendations or exceptions) has been timely filed with the County.

MANAGEMENT TEAM UPDATE

Cordillera Equestrian Center Manager Annie Morris gave the management report, highlighting in particular the success of this year’s summer horse camp and reporting on several highlights from other departments.

PUBLIC SAFETY UPDATE

General Manager Trevor Broersma reported on increasingly large numbers of vehicles entering (or attempting to enter) Cordillera, noting in particular vehicles attempting to enter without authorization or reason. An average of 2.5 vehicles per minute have entered or attempted entry through the gates this summer, putting added burdens on our Public Safety personnel. Thanks to residents who have shown patience and support of our employees in the gatehouses during the last several weeks.

Broersma then explained how Public Safety is working with realtors to accommodate the needs of potential purchasers and how the new gate access system is helping to distinguish between authorized and unauthorized individuals.

He further explained that we had multiple incidents of both professional and local hunters poaching deer and elk within Cordillera property last year. With the onset of this year’s hunting season, we anticipate poachers attempting to enter Cordillera using fake credentials at the gates or gaining access through areas other than the gates. We will be taking additional steps this fall (increasing public safety presence, adding cameras, blocking road access, etc.) to identify and prevent poachers and other unauthorized trespassers from entering into Cordillera.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Director Saxby opened the session for public comments and questions.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business before the Board, Director Boyle moved to adjourn the meeting at 11:00 AM; Alexander seconded, and all approved.