



“Eastsound Water Users Association is a service-oriented association whose goal is to utilize all available resources to ensure that an adequate and consistent supply of safe, reliable, and palatable water is provided to its members”

## **Eastsound Water Users Association Regular Board Meeting**

**Orcas Island Fire Hall Public Meeting Room  
September 16, 2025  
5:00 PM**

The meeting was held in person at the Orcas Island Fire Department public meeting room.

**Board Members Present:** Teri Nigretto, Jim Nelson, Leith Templin, Vaughan Ploeger absent(later by zoom), Chris Madison, Mike Speece and General Manager, Dan Burke.

**President Teri Nigretto** called the meeting to order at 5:03

### **Additions to the Agenda**

Executive session at the end of regular meeting

### **Public Comment**

A public member requested no change to meeting time.

### **Minute approval**

**Motion:** Mike Speece moved to approve the August 19, 2025 as presented

**Second:** Jim Nelson

**Approved: Unanimously**

### **Board Business**

#### **Members Request**

1. **San Juan County Parks, Village Green.** Concerning reasonable use change for overage of 100,000 gallons. EWUA did not enforced this during COVID and now has reinstated it. Greg Sawyer (SJCPW) has asked for consideration for a fee exception because it is a community use. They currently have a Commercial membership 1.75 IU over 175,00 would be an overuse charge. They have only gone over 2 years in the past 10 years. We recommend because of the over use that the member upgrade to a higher IU. Since the purchased of the membership they have added, a water bottle/drinking fountain station, one shower and multiple bathrooms.

**Motion: Chis moved to waive the current overage fee if they upgrade to the 2.5 IU membership**

**Second: Mike Speece**

**Approved: Unanimously**

## 2. Gibson's North Beach Inn

**Motion:** Jim Nelson moved to approve the 1.5 upgrade

**Second:** Mike Speece

**Approved:** - **Tabled the request** until the October meeting because more research is needed to know when NB added new cabins and what IU's were added at that time.

## Vaughan has joined the meeting by Zoom

### 3. Pea Patch Development 4.4 IU

20 single family residence, 1 existing structure, Mixed use building with 2 floors, 2 offices conference room and community room downstairs with laundry facility

**Motion:** Chris Madison moves to approve the upgrade 18.35 IU for Opal for their water certificate availability for the building. Certificate of Water will be sent when the added IU's are paid.

**Second:** Michael Speece

**Approved: Unanimously**

### Change in Board Time

We only had 3% of the membership respond about the time change. The meeting time will stay the same at 5:00pm, on the third Thursday of the month.

### Park contract will be on the agenda next month

### SBS

Leith reported on timeline for the election:

September	15 <sup>th</sup> -Notice sent to members announcing position open on board 29 <sup>th</sup> Applications accepted until noon
October	22 <sup>nd</sup> Ballots mailed to members 27 <sup>th</sup> Email reminder to watch for ballots from SBS
November	3 <sup>rd</sup> Ballots mailed to members 10 <sup>th</sup> Reminder from EWUA to vote 12 <sup>th</sup> Election closes 13 <sup>th</sup> Results emailed to secretary 18 <sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting announcing election results

### GM Board Report

Most of Dan's report had been covered during the meeting. He gave an update on the progress of Clark Well. There was a discussion about drainage access in the floor for future access.

### Policy Discussion

**Motion:** Chris Madison moved to waive the base rate on Master Meters

**Second:** Jim Nelson

**Approved:** Unanimously

Discussion clarified that the master meter would only be charged for water usage difference between the total water usage for the individual meters connected to the master meter.

**Teri Nigretto** thanked the public for coming and moved the board into Executive session at 6:45 for approx. 15 min. Teri Nigretto resumed the public meeting at 7:00 pm and no action was taken.

**Teri Nigretto adjourned the meeting at 7:00pm**

Respectfully submitted,  
Leith Templin,  
Secretary