



Board of Directors Meeting Update – February 2023

Last week Elm Ridge WCID had its monthly Board meeting. Here is a summary of **some** of the actions taken and information discussed:

1. Received an update from the Project Manager over the pending purpose built Police Station and Administrative building. Some minor changes have been made to the interior design and some rooms moved to accommodate storm shelter.
2. Board of Directors voted to raise the property tax exemption for “Over 65” from \$25,000 per year to \$30,000 a year.
3. Received monthly report from Engineering Dept. on street repair for the 2022-2023 fiscal year and restrooms/concession building at Arrowbrooke Park. Street repairs for the year have begun.
4. Received monthly operator’s report for Artesia Utility System. Repairs to the elevated storage tank were completed in Artesia. There was no disruption of water service and there were very few reports of low water pressure.
5. Received General Manager’s report on the daily management of the District. Some of the items covered were, Fire gate at Mezzo Apts was damaged and Elm Ridge is working with Mezzo for installation of stronger gate. New Gate has been delivered. Apartments are awaiting Knox lock box from Aubrey Fire Department; Report on Customer Service complaints on Rhino; Elm Ridge office has students from Braswell National Honor Society volunteering for service hours required; Elm Ridge reached agreement to share concession proceeds with 380 Sports at Arrowbrooke Park once concession stand is completed; Apartments on NE corner of FM 1385 and Fishtrap finally have reached easement solution so construction and repairs along Cherokee Rose should resume soon; District is working with Denton ISD on easement through Arrowbrooke to install fiber optic cable for new Cheek Middle School. Board approved easement; District also is working with Denton ISA to gain own easement through Cheek Middle School for water transmission line being built. DISD is working with District. This will cut down on construction and appropriation costs. NOTE: “In response to all the residents in Elm Ridge WCID that have questions regarding the Water Transmission Line project. First, we would like to state we understand you have questions, and we want to provide you with comprehensive answers. Currently, any information we have are rough guesses, suppositions, or estimations. That said, the district has contracted with Kimberly Horn to complete a comprehensive study regarding this issue. The report from Kimberly Horn will not be available until approximately August of this year. Once received Elm Ridge WCID provide you with responses based on the



comprehensive engineering study. We will not respond to questions regarding the Water Transmission line until we have this report, the district does not wish contribute to the confusion already surrounding this issue.”

6. Board of Directors voted to send to Rhino Removal a “Cure” letter for service issues. The Board also voted for the General Manager to solicit quotes from other waste companies.
7. Board received report from Triton Communications on monthly website activity and improvements.
8. Board heard update on potential sale of District property on south side of 380. Board is approving appraisal so property can be listed.
9. Negotiations continue to enter into Sales Tax agreement with the Town of Little Elm to collect sales tax from businesses at the Savannah Town Center.
10. Total calls for service from the {Police Dept in the month of November) were 2,036.
11. Police Dept. conducted 176 traffic stops in November, 82% of violators were issued warnings.
12. Police Department presented their annual Crime Statistic report which showed crime is down in Elm Ridge and lower than other cities in Denton County. A full report will be available on our website.
13. Police Dept. statistics report and School Resource Officer report were presented.
14. An update on Police Department vehicles was given.
15. Monthly report on calls from Aubrey Fire Department and Prosper Fire Department was given.
16. Promotion ended for signing up for Elm Ridge mobile alerts with 2 gift card winners. District will repeat this promotion soon.
17. Restriping of Elm Ridge streets continues.

For a COMPLETE review of all actions taken and discussions, please visit our website to view the Minutes of all Board meetings. Minutes are uploaded once approved by the Board at the next month’s meeting.

Please join us next month March 16, 2023 for our next monthly Board meeting to see how your Board of Directors are working for you.