

**NOTICE AND AGENDA OF MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
ESCUDILLA MOUNTAIN DOMESTIC WATER IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT OF
APACHE, ARIZONA**

Alpine Fire Station #2 in Nutrioso, Arizona 41765 US191 Nutrioso, AZ 85932
on Friday, June 30, 2023 at 2:00pm.

Board Members

Melissa Chivers, John Cochran, Pat Cruse, Mike Draper and David Knobbe

Pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes section (A.R.S. §) 38-431.02, notice is hereby given to the members of the Board of Directors and to the general public that the Board of Directors of the Escudilla Mountain Improvement District of Apache County, Arizona (sometimes referred to in this Notice and Agenda as the “EMDWID”) will hold a meeting open to the public on Friday, June 30, 2023, at or after 2:00 p.m located at Alpine Fire Station # 2 in Nutrioso 41765 US 191, Nutrioso, AZ 85932.

Members of the Board of Directors of the Escudilla Mountain DWID may attend either in person or by telephone, video or internet conferencing.

ACTION MAY BE TAKEN BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS ON ANY ITEM LISTED ON THIS AGENDA. Revisions to the agenda can occur up to 24 hours prior to the meeting. In that case, the revised agenda will be provided to the members of the Board of Directors and will be available to the general public at the Nutrioso Post Office on the bulletin board and at www.emdwid.com.

Any person with a disability may request a reasonable accommodation, such as a sign language interpreter, by contacting lorie.knobbe@gmail.com. Requests should be made as early as possible to arrange the accommodation.

This NOTICE AND AGENDA was posted no later than 24 hours prior to the meeting, at the Nutrioso Post Office on the bulletin board and www.emdwid.com.

Contact the District
lorie.knobbe@gmail.com
Or
PO Box 926
Springerville, AZ 85938

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1. CALL TO ORDER

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

3. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES from May 27, 2023 Meeting

4. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

- Oath of Office - recorded at County on 5-31-23
- Meeting Disclosure Statement filed with Beth Bond. Two locations: Nutrioso Post Office and EMDWID Website
- Website up and running.
- Establishment of District Checking and Savings Bank Accounts - working with Candice Davis at the Apache County Treasurer's Office. Determine signers.
- Updates, WIFA, grants

5. REPORTS OF THE OFFICERS

- JOHN COCHRAN - Water testing.
- Rate and Fee Committee Meeting

6. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING LEGAL REPRESENTATION OF EMDWID. This includes the EMDWID's waiver of conflicts of interest as described in the May 29,2023 letter from Frank Cassidy and the EMDWID's agreement with the scope of representation and financial terms set forth in the same letter.

7. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON SETTING MEETING SCHEDULE.

8. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING PREPARATION OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND 2023-2024 BUDGET - Estimate of Expenses (Budget) and setting the date, time and location for Public Hearing. A.R.S. § 48-954, A.R.S. § 42-17101, A.R.S. § 42-17102. The District must establish a preliminary budget on or before the 3rd Monday in July. A Draft Budget will be presented for possible discussion and action. Possible budget priorities include well lease agreement, GPM test, water quality.

9. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF PROPOSED WATER RATES AND FEES AND THE SETTING OF A PUBLIC HEARING FOR THEIR ADOPTION. The EMDWID has statutory authority to establish certain kinds of fees (see A.R.S. § 48-910 for specific information about the types of fees authorized). Notice announcing the hearing shall be posted in 3 places within the district for not less than 10 days before the date of the hearing and shall be published twice in a newspaper of general circulation within the district. The newspaper publications shall be not less than one week apart and the first publication shall be not less than 10 days before the date of the hearing. A hearing must be held prior to the approval of such fees and the

Apache County Board of Supervisors must be notified of the hearing at least ten days in advance. The Board of Supervisors has the authority to be represented at the hearing and to advise the district's governing board (A.R.S. §48-910(B & C)). To advertise in the White Mountain Independent for the public hearing.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC - At this time any member of the public is allowed to address the Board of Directors on any issue within the jurisdiction of the EMDWID. Pursuant to the Arizona Open Meeting Law, at the conclusion of Call to the Public, individual members of the Board may respond to criticism made by those who have addressed the Board, and may ask staff to review the matter, or may ask that the matter be placed on a future agenda. Members of the Board may not discuss items that are not specifically identified on the agenda.

10. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- NEW BUSINESS
- FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS
- SET NEXT MEETING DATE AND TIME

11. EXECUTIVE SESSION (If required). Pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03, the Board of Directors may vote to go into executive session, which will not be open to the public, to discuss certain matters. The Board may ask for discussion or consideration, or consultation with designated EM DWID representatives, or consultation for legal advice with the EM DWID's attorney, concerning any matter listed on this agenda for any of the reasons listed in A.R.S. §38-431.03 (A).

12. ADJOURNMENT.