

Minutes of Regular Meeting
Northeast Texas Municipal Water District
Board of Directors
January 23, 2023 – 10:00 a.m.

The Board of Directors of the Northeast Texas Municipal Water District met in an open meeting on Monday, January 23, 2023, at 10:00 A.M. The meeting was held at Northeast Texas Municipal Water District's Executive Office located at 4180 Farm Road 250, Hughes Springs, Texas 75656. Notice of the meeting was legally posted. A quorum was present. An opportunity was provided for public comments before any action was taken by the Board of Directors.

Present:	Jack Salmon	-	Avinger
	Stan Wyatt	-	Daingerfield
	Robyn Shelton	-	Hughes Springs
	George Otstott	-	Jefferson
	Saundra Wexler	-	Lone Star
	Jimmy E. Cox	-	Ore City
	Patrick Smith	-	Pittsburg
Staff:	Wayne Owen	-	NETMWD
	Osiris Brantley	-	NETMWD
	Dominik Sobieraj	-	NETMWD
	Robert Speight	-	NETMWD
	Aracely Reyes	-	NETMWD
Guest:	Brian Sledge	-	SledgeLaw Group
	Andrew Arnold	-	Arnold, Walker, Arnold & Co.
	Jody Gilbert		
	Jennifer Gilbert		

President George Otstott called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m. Jack Salmon gave the invocation. Mr. Otstott led the directors in the pledge of allegiance to the United States flag.

On a motion by Jimmy Cox and a second by Stan Wyatt minutes of the December 27, 2022 meeting were approved. Motion carried, all voting aye.

Andrew Arnold with Arnold, Walker, Arnold & Co., P.C. highlighted the 2022 Fiscal Year financial audit. The District's assets had a balance of \$43.9 million. Operating income was \$1.51 million. The total net position of the District increased by \$1.06 million. Mr. Arnold stated that it was a clean audit, and complimented Osiris Brantley for an amazing job. On a Motion by Patrick Smith, and a second by Saundra Wexler, approval of the Fiscal Year 2022 audit was made. Motion carried, all voting aye. Mr. Arnold also presented a management audit that specifies internal controls, and expressed to the Board that all is well. Patrick Smith made a motion to approve the management audit. Robyn Shelton seconded the motion. Motion carried, all voting aye.

Jack Salmon made a motion to approve the monthly investment report, to approve financial reports on all current accounts and funds and pay invoices for professional services. Jimmy Cox seconded the motion. Motion carried, all voting aye.

Stan Wyatt made a motion to approve December 2022 LOPSS financial reports as presented. Saundra Wexler seconded the motion. Motion carried, all voting aye.

Dominik Sobieraj gave the Operations Manager report:

Raw water quality is good. Alum dosage has been as low as 40 mg/l with minimal aid from polymer.

PITTSBURG

- Raw water pump # 2 now has a swing check valve.
- Purchasing generator from WPI.
- City of Pittsburg is progressing with plant generator Install.
- Coordinating freezing weather communication with the City of Pittsburg.

TANNER

- Collecting applications for open positions at the Tanner plant.
 - Selected Kristie Smith as a new Water Treatment Plant Trainee.
- JW electric is doing STARTUP on SSBPS pump #2001 on Dec 6th.
 - New VFD is 100% operational and pump 20021 is being utilized.
- Preparing Basin 1 cracks to be fixed – with help of Will - Tryon Rd will expose/unearth the sidewall on basin #1.
- HS and Daingerfield line at the Tanner plant will have spool pieces replaced.
 - This will allow placement of flow meters / reliable master metering.
- Filters 5 – 8 seal compressor and dryer replacement capital project has been finished.
 - Final order of spare parts should clear within a month.
- Ordered two new sludge bags 90 feet by 100 feet.
 - Projected placement January 2023.
- Remaining 4 new plug valves for sludge dumps will be installed within the next 8 weeks.
- Smith Pump update
 - Based on results of inspection and analysis by KSA we will decide on next step with Smith Pump.

Dominik Sobieraj presented the proposed water supply contract with the city of Lone Star. Patrick Smith made a motion to approve the water supply contract. Jack Salmon seconded the motion. Motion carried, all voting aye.

Dominik Sobieraj presented a request for a 50x145 ft-long roadway easement on a parcel of owned by NETMWD. On a motion by Jack Salmon, and a second by Jimmy Cox, an approval of the proposed easement was made. Motion carried, all voting aye. Mrs. and Mr. Gilbert expressed their appreciation for granting the easement.

A resolution supporting legislation in the 88th Legislature of the State of Texas to update Northeast Texas Municipal Water District's enabling act regarding appointment of Board members was presented by Wayne Owen. Jimmy Cox made a motion to approve adoption of the resolution supporting enactment of legislation. Stan Wyatt seconded the motion. Motion carried, all voting aye except Patrick Smith voting no.

During the General Manager's report, Mr. Owen gave a review over the Major Goals and Objectives for fiscal year 2023. He also discussed an invitation to join Texas Water Supply Partners that would be presented at the next regular Board meeting. Mr. Owen introduced the Lake O' the Pines elevation report, and Robert Speight presented the calendar year 2022 elevations to the Board. Lastly, Mr. Owen informed the Board over the upcoming conferences. RRVA Annual Conference will be held in February 22 & 23 at Shreveport. TWCA's Annual Conference to be held at Bastrop on March 1-3, 2023.

Brian Sledge updated the Board on implementation of the District's development agreement with Luminant including the District's bed and banks authorization application pending at the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality. Mr. Sledge also expanded on the 88th Texas Legislature and legislative issues of interest to the District.

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On a motion by Jimmy Cox and a second by Robyn Shelton, the next meeting of the Board of Directors was set for February 27, 2023. Motion carried, all voting aye.

Motion to adjourn was made by Robyn Shelton with a second from Jimmy Cox. Motion carried, all voting aye.

APPROVED:



George Otstott, President

ATTEST:


