

Minutes of Regular Meeting
Northeast Texas Municipal Water District
Board of Directors
April 22, 2024 – 10:00 a.m.

The Board of Directors of the Northeast Texas Municipal Water District met in an open meeting on Monday, April 22, 2024, 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 - City of Avinger
 Stan Wyatt - City of Daingerfield
 Robyn Shelton - City of Hughes Springs
 George Otstott - City of Jefferson
 Sandra Wexler - City of Lone Star
 Jimmy E. Cox - City of Ore City
 Patrick Smith - City of Pittsburg

Staff: Wayne Owen - NETMWD
 Osiris Brantley - NETMWD
 Robert Speight - NETMWD
 Aracely Reyes - NETMWD

Virtual Brian Sledge - Sledge Law

President George Otstott called the meeting to order at 10:00 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 Robyn Shelton and a second by Stan Wyatt minutes of the March 25, 2024, meeting were approved. Motion carried, all voting aye.

Sandra Wexler made a motion to approve the proposed water sales contract between the District and the cities of Avinger, Daingerfield, Hughes Springs, Jefferson, Lone Star, Ore City, and Pittsburg. Jimmy Cox seconded the motion. Motion carried, all voting aye.

On a motion by Jack Salmon, approval of a proposed letter agreement between the District and Ore City where the District agrees to waive the enforcement of the annual minimum volume contained in the proposed treated water contract was made. Patrick Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried, all voting aye except Jimmy Cox and Stan Wyatt voting nay.

Stan Wyatt made a motion to approve the monthly investment report, to approve financial reports on all current accounts and funds, pay invoices for professional services, and the three-month review for LOPSS expenses and authorization to make adjusting entries for January, February, and March 2024. Sandra Wexler seconded the motion. Motion carried, all voting aye.

Dominik Sobieraj gave the Operations Manager report:

Raw water quality is good. Alum dosages are stable between (50mg/l – 70mg/l)

PITTSBURG

- Normal Operation
- Repairing and replacing corroded power lines and conduit at Pittsburg plant
 - All the repairs on electrical lines have been completed.

TANNER

- Received final report for intake cleanout.
- Hughes Springs Tank Restoration.
 - Working on Valve replacement (Steve Lobdel).
 - Coordinating with the City of Hughes Springs.
- Ordering MAG meters for AVI/JEFF/HS/LS/DAIN.
 - preparing to install.

- Repairing air relief valves on the AVI/JEFF line.
 - 9 out of 12 done.
- Preparing to clean the lower sludge lagoon.
 - Gathering quotes and deciding on the approach.
- Gathering quotes for hydrant line relocation.
- Ordering KMNO4 tank/pump/parts.
 - Planning to implement KMNO4 feed in April.
- Finished annual meter certification.
- AWWA Texas conference feedback.

Dominik Sobieraj presented to the Board the Five-Year Capital Improvement Plan.

On a motion by Patrick Smith, an approval for an updated Water Conservation and Drought Contingency Plan, as well as authorization to submit to TCEQ, TWDB, Water Customers, and Region D was made. Jimmy Cox seconded the motion. Motion carried, all voting aye.

Robert Speight gave the Board an update on the Clean Rivers Program, which included information from the CRP Stakeholders meeting held on March 21, 2024.

During the General Counsel's report, Brian Sledge updated the Board on pertinent legal issues, and legal counsel's activities on behalf of the District.

During the General Manager's report, Mr. Owen discussed key dates regarding the FY25 budget and treated water rates. Mr. Owen reviewed discussions with Lake O'the Pines Southside System concerning the allocation of certain Fund 100 administrative expenses previously excluded from allocation to Fund 300.

On a motion by Jack Salmon and a second by Jimmy Cox, the next meeting of the Board of Directors was set for May 20, 2024. Motion carried, all voting aye.

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

APPROVED:


Jimmy Cox, Vice President

ATTEST:

