

Minutes of Regular Meeting  
Northeast Texas Municipal Water District  
Board of Directors  
October 27, 2025 – 10:00 a.m.

The Board of Directors of the Northeast Texas Municipal Water District met in an open meeting on Monday, October 27, 2025, at 10:00 A.M. The meeting was held at the 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  
                      Robyn Shelton               -        City of Hughes Springs  
                      George Otstott               -        City of Jefferson  
                      Dennis Hammond           -        City of Lone Star  
                      Jimmy E. Cox                -        City of Ore City  
                      Patrick Smith               -        City of Pittsburg

Staff:            Osiris Brantley               -        NETMWD  
                      Dominik Sobieraj           -        NETMWD  
                      Aracely Reyes               -        NETMWD

President Jimmy Cox called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m. and gave the invocation. Mr. Cox led the directors in the pledge of allegiance to the United States and Texas flags. Public comments were made.

On a motion by Patrick Smith and a second by Jack Salmon, minutes of the September 24, 2025, meeting were approved. Motion carried, all voting aye.

Patrick Smith made a motion to approve the monthly investment report, to approve financial reports on all current accounts and funds, to approve the quarterly review, and to make adjusting entries of variable operating expenses based on actual production for July, August, and September 2025, and pay invoices for professional services. Robyn Shelton seconded the motion. Motion carried, all voting aye.

Dominik Sobieraj gave the Operations Manager report:

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

#### **Pittsburg Water Treatment Plant**

- **Sludge Removal**  
Assessing need and options for a new lift station effluent flow meter
- **Preventive Maintenance**  
Starting annual winterization activities

#### **Tanner Water Treatment Plant and System-Wide Activities**

- **Master Flow Meter Replacement**  
Replacing lightning-damaged master flow meters at the Tanner Plant to restore accurate system monitoring and reporting.
- **Enhanced Lighting Protection**
- Installed advanced lightning protection measures to safeguard critical infrastructure, including:
  - Lightning rods at key exposure points
  - Additional grounding for meter vaults
  - Supplemental grounding for SCADA enclosures
- **Capital Improvement Projects (CIP 25/26)**  
Obtaining quotes and preparing bid postings for multiple CIP 25/26 projects currently in the planning and procurement phase.
- **Sludge Management**  
Successfully removed all de-watered and dried sludge from the Tanner Plant and transported it to the district's landfill for proper disposal.
- **Process Optimization and Maintenance**  
Addressed elevated organics content in source water by performing additional basin and filter cleanouts to maintain treatment efficiency.

- **Pump Station Maintenance**  
Replaced a faulty slanting disc check valve on Pump #2000 at the South Side Booster Pump Station (SSBPS) to ensure proper system performance.
- **Raw Water Intake Maintenance and Dredging Preparation**  
Initiated preparations for dredging the raw water intake area.
- **Chemical Feed System Update**  
Resubmitted the request to TCEQ for permanent approval of the potassium permanganate (KMnO<sub>4</sub>) feed system, incorporating new containment measures to enhance operational safety and environmental compliance.
- **Avinger Tank Restoration RFP's**  
J&A Coating Company \$280,165.00 was the only qualified bid we received.  
Recommendation and request to award J&A the contract for Avinger Tank Restoration.

Patrick Smith made a motion to award J&A Coating the Avinger Tank Restoration bid for \$280,165.00. Dennis Hammond seconded the motion. Motion carried all voting aye.

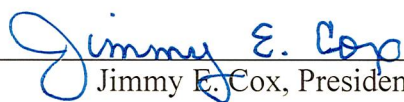
President Jimmy Cox announced at 10:31 A.M. that the Board was recessing into a closed executive session with the District's legal counsel under Section 551.071 Texas Government Code (Consultations with Attorney) regarding Cause No. 28079, David Simpson v. Northeast Texas Municipal Water District; that no final action would be taken in closed session; and that, at the conclusion of the closed session, the Board will reconvene in open session with the public. President Jimmy Cox announced the executive session ended at 11:30 A.M., and at 11:34 A.M., the meeting was reconvened in open public session. No action was taken.

Osiris Brantley informed the Board of Scott Haney's retirement from NETMWD. Jimmy Cox congratulated Osiris Brantley for her 15 years of service at NETMWD. Mrs. Brantley gave the Board an update on electronic check signing.


On a motion by Robyn Shelton and a second by Dennis Hammond, the next meeting of the Board of Directors was set for November 24, 2025. Motion carried, all voting aye.

Motion to adjourn was made by Dennis Hammond with a second from George Otstott. Motion carried, all voting aye.

APPROVED:

  
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Jimmy E. Cox, President

ATTEST:

  
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