

Minutes of Regular Meeting  
Northeast Texas Municipal Water District  
Board of Directors  
October 25, 2021 – 10:00 a.m.

The Board of Directors of the Northeast Texas Municipal Water District met in an open meeting on Monday, October 18, 2021 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: Stan Wyatt - Daingerfield  
Patrick Smith - Pittsburg  
George Otstott - Jefferson  
Saundra Wexler - Lone Star  
Robyn Shelton - Hughes Springs  
Joseph W. Weir, III - Ore City

Staff: Walt Sears, Jr.  
Dominik Sobieraj  
Robyn Goodson

President Robyn Shelton called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. Stan Wyatt gave the invocation. Mrs. Shelton led the directors in the pledge of allegiance to the United States flag and the Texas flag.

On a motion by Saundra Wexler and a second by Joseph W. Weir, III minutes of the September 27, 2021 meeting were approved. Motion carried, all voting aye.

Joseph W. Weir, III 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. Saundra Wexler seconded the motion.

Mr. Sears updated the Board of Directors on the input from the Southside Steering Committee. Stan Wyatt made a motion to approve September 2021 Southside Financial report as presented and to approve the quarterly review and to make adjusting entries of variable operating expenses based on actual production for July, August and September 2021. Saundra Wexler seconded the motion. Motion carried, all voting aye.

Dominik Sobieraj gave the Operations Manager report:

Raw water quality is good. We are expecting temperatures to start dropping and raw water quality improves as we transition to Fall.

Pittsburg

- Informing the City management about Senate Bill 3 requirements regarding power backup for plant and raw water pump station,
- Identified District's critical infrastructure for service to the City of Pittsburg as Pittsburg Water Treatment Plant and Pittsburg Raw Water Pump station,
- Fulfilled SB3 requirement for notifying power providers about critical infrastructure, and
- Purchasing supplies needed for capital improvements scheduled for the Pittsburg Plant and raw water intake.

Tanner

- KSA is starting the process on the Raw Water Pump and Motor #2 replacement,
- Continuing work on re-piping in the lab for improved quality control,
- Working on rewriting program for SCADA communication involving Daingerfield to eliminate ghost alarms,

- Repairing the seal/solenoid valve on line to Hughes Springs from Tanner Plant,
- Started filter terminal transition to Hypertech,
- Crack on filter #5 is being worked on,
- Annual clearing and bush hugging of sludge disposal site. Done by Robert Crawford for \$2,700.00,
- Recertified our chlorine crane,
- Working on RMP and ERP recertification, due by December 31, 2021, and
- Updated and went over step 1 and 2, the completion and submission of the SB3 (Emergency Planning).

George Otstott made a motion to maintain all current insurance with the exception of health insurance and to go with United Health as our new health insurance per the recommendation of the general manager. Joseph W. Weir, III second the motion. Motion carried, all voting aye.

Major Objectives and Goals for the fiscal year that began on October 1, 2020, and the responses were reviewed. It was noted that the information in the responses about actions taken to further the goals was posted online. The Board expressed appreciation for the work done during the last twelve months. It was noted that NETMWD has now provided more funding to member cities than the total collected in property taxes by NETMWD.

George Otstott made a motion to approve the TCDRS plan assessment for Plan Year 2022, with no changes. Stan Wyatt seconded the motion. Motion carried, all voting aye.

Walt Sears and Dominic Sobieraj informed the Board of Directors on the implementation of SB3 emergency planning. There are two steps in implementing the plan. The first step is notification about critical infrastructure and this step is completed. Dominic notified all power providers about critical infrastructure and will be submitting a plan to TCEQ. Submitting the plan by March of 2022 is part of the second step. Dominic informed the Board that a new generator will be purchased for the Pittsburg Plant and that a generator for the intake structure at Lake Bob Sandlin is needed to assure power in extreme weather events. Mr. Sears spoke about the state legislative redistricting. It was noted that the proposed map places a majority of the member cities in the territory represented by Rep. Gary VanDeaver. It was noted that the County of Upshur was being switched from the territory of Rep. Jay Dean to Rep. Cole Hefner.

During the General manager's report, Mr. Sears reported on the following:

- Mr. Sears gave an update on the regional flood planning group,
- Mr. Sears gave an update on the TWCA Fall Conference.

On a motion by Joseph W. Weir, III and a second by George Otstott, the next meeting of the Board of Directors was set for November 22, 2021. Motion carried, all voting aye.

Motion to adjourn was made George Otstott with a second from Joseph W. Weir, III. Motion carried, all voting aye.

APPROVED:



Robyn Shelton, President

ATTEST:

