

Minutes of Regular Meeting
Northeast Texas Municipal Water District
Board of Directors
April 28, 2025 – 10:00 a.m.

The Board of Directors of the Northeast Texas Municipal Water District met in an open meeting on Monday, April 28, 2025, 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

Robyn Shelton

George Otstott

Saundra Wexler

Jimmy E. Cox

Patrick Smith

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City of Daingerfield

City of Hughes Springs

City of Jefferson

City of Lone Star

City of Ore City

City of Pittsburg
- Staff:

Osiris Brantley

Dominik Sobieraj

Aracely Reyes

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- Virtual:

Brian Sledge

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Sledge Law

President Jimmy Cox called the meeting to order at 10:00 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 Saundra Wexler and a second by Robyn Shelton, minutes of the March 24, 2025, meeting were approved. Motion carried, all voting aye.

Robyn Shelton 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 2025. Saundra Wexler seconded the motion. Motion carried, all voting aye.

Osiris Brantley presented the Public Comments Policy, which would formalize the practice of a three (3) minute time limit for public speakers, along with additional general guidelines and procedures. George Otstott made a motion to approve the Public Comment Policy. Stan Wyatt seconded the motion. Saundra Wexler made a motion to adopt an amendment that would increase the allotted time, not to exceed a cumulative total of thirty (30) minutes, for all speakers for general comments on non-agenda items. Robyn Shelton seconded the motion. Motion carried, all voting aye. Motion to approve the Public Comment Policy and adopt the amended motion carried, all voting aye, except Patrick Smith voting no.

A motion to approve a resolution ratifying and approving the execution of a Mutual Severance Agreement with Wayne Owen, Jr., and the appointment of Osiris Brantley as Interim General Manager at the March 24, 2025 meeting was made by Patrick Smith. Stan Wyatt seconded the motion to approve the resolution. Motion carried, all voting aye.

Dominik Sobieraj presented a water agreement with RFE Operating LLC regarding the use of raw water for its oil and gas operations. Patrick Smith made a motion to approve the water agreement with RFE Operating LLC. Saundra Wexler 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 (55mg/l - 85mg/l)

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- Addressing issues related to metering of the lift station sludge
- Switching raw pump #1 to a variable frequency drive operation

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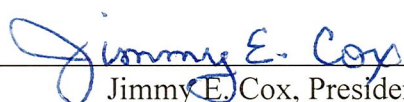
- Hughes Springs IMG Tank Capital project:
 - Finished installation of new sample ports
 - Finished installation of new valves in the influent vault
 - Ordered a new door for the Scada building
- Fiberoptics contractor damaged our 12-inch main line for the City of Hughes Springs
 - The line was repaired 4 hours after the time of the incident.
 - We recovered all the costs of repair from the contractor
- Submitted application for sludge landfill permit renewal
- Working on final approval for KMN04 project by TCEQ
 - Purchased an additional chemical tub/containment
- Pulled constant speed pumps (1,2,3) from the Clearwell
 - Preparing for transportation to Red River Pump for repairs
- New MAG meter for the Jefferson line is fully functional
 - Additional SCADA work is required to streamline data exchange with City of Jefferson
 - Additional programming and/or hardware module may be needed

President Jimmy Cox announced at 11:21 A.M. that the Board was recessing into a closed executive session for consultation concerning attorney-client matters with the District's legal counsel and personnel matters under Section 551.074 and 551.071, Texas Government Code, regarding items on today's Board meeting agenda; 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. At 12:42 P.M., President Jimmy Cox announced the meeting was reconvened in open public session. Robyn Shelton made a motion to authorize the District's legal counsel to act in accordance with the advice and recommendation given in closed session in the matter of Cause No. 28079, Carter v. Northeast Texas Municipal Water District. George Otstott seconded the motion. Motion carried, all voting aye. Patrick Smith made a motion to appoint Osiris Brantley as the Executive Director/General Manager of the Northeast Texas Municipal Water District and further moved that the Board President and Vice President be authorized to work with Mrs. Brantley to develop and negotiate an employee agreement for her in that capacity and bring that back to the Board for its consideration and approval. Sandra Wexler seconded the motion. Motion carried, all voting aye by show of hands.

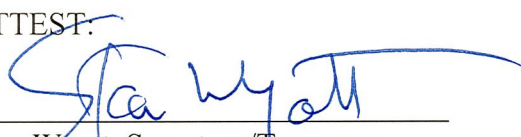
On a motion by Sandra Wexler and a second by Stan Wyatt, the next meeting of the Board of Directors was set for May 27, 2025. Motion carried, all voting aye.

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

APPROVED:


Jimmy E. Cox, President

ATTEST:


Stan Wyatt, Secretary/Treasurer