Minutes of Regular Meeting Northeast Texas Municipal Water District Board of Directors August 25, 2025 – 10:00 a.m.

The Board of Directors of the Northeast Texas Municipal Water District met in an open meeting on Monday, August 25, 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 S, 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, Jr. - City of Avinger

Laura Mabey - City of Daingerfield 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 E. Cox called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. Jack Salmon gave the invocation. Mr. Cox led the directors in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States and Texas flags.

On a motion by Jack Salmon and a second by Dennis Hammond, minutes for the July 28, 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, and to pay invoices for professional services. George Otstott seconded the motion. Motion carried, all voting aye.

A motion to approve Randy Rushing with Water Monitoring Solutions as the Clean Rivers Program consultant beginning 09/01/2025 to 08/31/2027 was made by Patrick Smith. George Otstott seconded the motion. Motion carried, all voting aye.

President Jimmy Cox opened the hearing regarding the District's budgets for the fiscal year 2025-2026. A comment from the public was made during the public hearing. During the hearing, Mrs. Brantley presented information about the budget. President Jimmy Cox closed the hearing regarding the District's budgets for the fiscal year 2025-2026.

After discussion, Patrick Smith made a motion to approve all District budgets for the next fiscal year 2025-2026. Jack Salmon seconded the motion. Motion carried, all voting aye except Patrick Smith and George Otstott voting no.

Dominik Sobieraj gave the Operations Manager report:

Raw water quality is good. Alum dosages are stable between 50mg/l and 65mg/l.

## **PITTSBURG**

- VFD on raw water pump #1 failed and needs to be replaced.
  - o Installing additional cooling solutions for the remaining 2 VFDs.
  - o Installing a new check valve.

## **TANNER**

- Started hauling sludge to the landfill.
- Dealing with remaining repairs after lightning damage.
  - o Replacing meters.
  - o Replacing lighting mitigation protections.
- Preparing to install a small supplemental pump on the Clearwell part of the current CIP.
- Finishing the final installation of SCADA at the Hughes Springs tank site.
- Posted Avinger Tank Restoration RFP.

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- Most of our SCAD A operations have been repaired and now work 100%.
- Replacing the old HVAC/AC unit at the District's Administration office.
- Awarding chemical bids for FY 25/26.

## BULK CHEMICAL BID AWARD RECOMMENDATIONS:

- CHLORINE PVS DX Inc at \$2156.00/ton \$120.00 more than as last year
- ALUM CHEMTRADE at \$357.00/ton same as last year
- AMMONIA AIRGAS at \$1900.00/ton same as last year

Patrick Smith made a motion to approve chemical bids for the next fiscal year. Jack Salmon seconded the motion. Motion carried, all voting aye.

President Jimmy Cox announced at 11:28 A.M. that the Board was recessing into a closed executive session with the District's legal counsel under Section 551.071 (consultation with attorney), Texas Government Code, regarding advice on contractual matters and Cause No. 28079, Carter et al. 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. At 11:40 A.M., President Jimmy Cox announced the meeting was reconvened in open public session. No action was taken.

During the General Manager's report, Mrs. Brantley spoke about the RRVA Annual Conference and updates on Region C and Region D planning groups.

On a motion by Robyn Shelton and a second by Dennis Hammond, the next meeting of the Board of Directors was set for September 22, 2025. Motion carried, all voting aye.

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

APPROVED:

Simmy E. Cox. President

ATTEST:

Laura Mabey, Secretary/Treasurer