

Minutes of Regular Meeting
Northeast Texas Municipal Water District
Board of Directors
September 22, 2025 – 10:00 a.m.

The Board of Directors of the Northeast Texas Municipal Water District met in an open meeting on Monday, September 22, 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 South, 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: 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 - NETWMD
 Aracely Reyes - NETMWD

President Jimmy Cox called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. Jimmy Cox gave the invocation. Mr. Cox led the directors in the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States and Texas flags. Public comment was made.

On a motion by Patrick Smith and a second by Dennis Hammond, minutes of the August 25, 2025, and September 05, 2025, meetings 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. Laura Mabey seconded the motion. Motion carried, all voting aye.

On a motion by Dennis Hammond and a second by Robyn Shelton, Utica National was approved for workers' compensation insurance. Motion carried, all voting aye.

Patrick Smith made a motion to table action on electronic check signing. Dennis Hammond seconded the motion. Motion carried, all voting aye, except George Otstott voting no.

Dominik Sobieraj gave the Operations Manager report:

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

PITTSBURG

- Installed a new check valve on the raw water pump #1.
- Emergency repairs were done by SGL to fix the main raw water break in front of the water treatment plant.

TANNER

- Emergency repairs were done by SGL to fix the Hughes Springs 10-inch main break.
- Dealing with hog infestation at the main office property.
- Removed all de-watered and dried sludge from the Tanner Plant to the district's landfill.
- Finishing the last remaining repairs after lightning damage.
 - Replacing meters
 - Service gate
 - Installing enhanced lighting protections throughout the plant.
 - Working on an insurance claim for all the damages.
- Finishing the installation and start-up of a small supplemental pump on the clearwell.
- Finishing the final installation of SCADA at the Hughes Springs tank site, startup scheduled for Sep 26th.
- Received 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.

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President Jimmy Cox announced at 10:48 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 Cause No. 28079, Simpson 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 11:38 A.M., President Jimmy Cox announced the meeting was reconvened in open public session.

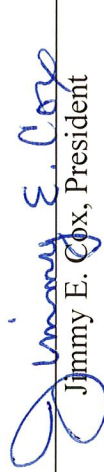
Motion to authorize General Manager Osiris Brantley to hire a local attorney to defend on Cause No. 28079, Simpson et al. v. Northeast Texas Municipal Water District, was made by Dennis Hammond. Patrick Smith seconded the motion. An amended motion to authorize Osiris Brantley to hire additional legal counsel to defend on Cause No. 28079, Simpson et al. v. Northeast Texas Municipal Water District, was made by Robyn Shelton. Laura Mabey seconded the motion. Motion carried, all voting aye.

Osiris Brantley gave her General Manager's Report. The Board was updated on the Texas Water Association Fall Conference to be held on October 22-24 in San Antonio.

On a motion by George Otstott and a second by Dennis Hammond, the next meeting of the Board of Directors was set for October 27, 2025. Motion carried, all voting aye.

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

APPROVED:


Jimmy E. Cox, President

ATTEST:

