

Minutes of Regular Meeting
Northeast Texas Municipal Water District
Board of Directors
January 22, 2024 – 10:00 a.m.

The Board of Directors of the Northeast Texas Municipal Water District met in an open meeting on Monday, January 22, 2024, 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:	Jack Salmon	-	Avinger
	Stan Wyatt	-	Daingerfield
	Robyn Shelton	-	Hughes Springs
	George Otstott	-	Jefferson
	Sandra Wexler	-	Lone Star
	Jimmy E. Cox	-	Ore City
	Patrick Smith	-	Pittsburg
Staff:	Wayne Owen	-	NETMWD
	Osiris Brantley	-	NETMWD
	Dominik Sobieraj	-	NETMWD
	Robert Speight	-	NETMWD
	Aracely Reyes	-	NETMWD
Guest:	Brian Sledge	-	SledgeLaw Group
	Andrew Arnold	-	Arnold, Walker, Arnold & Co.

President George Otstott called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. Jack Salmon gave the invocation. Mr. Otstott led the directors in the pledge of allegiance to the United States flag.

On a motion by Sandra Wexler and a second by Stan Wyatt minutes of the December 18, 2023 meeting were approved. Motion carried, all voting aye.

Andrew Arnold with Arnold, Walker, Arnold & Co., P.C. highlighted the 2023 Fiscal Year financial audit. The District’s assets had a balance of \$42.3 million. Operating income was \$1.16 million. The total net position of the District increased by \$415k. Added \$1.5 million in fixed assets without taking on new debt. Mr. Arnold stated that it was a clean audit, and complimented Osiris Brantley for an amazing job. On a Motion by Robyn Shelton and a second by Sandra Wexler, approval of the Fiscal Year 2023 audit was made. Motion carried, all voting aye.

Jimmy Cox 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. Robyn Shelton seconded the motion. Motion carried, all voting aye except Patrick Smith voting nay.

Osiris Brantley and Wayne Owen gave an update on the progress with the remaining tasks being performed by the rate consultant.

Dominik Sobieraj gave the Operations Manager report:

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

PITTSBURG

- Normal Operation
- Addressing issues with Upshur Rural and Generator.
- Finishing several projects.

TANNER

- Chlorine residuals are under control.
- Raw water intake cleanout is scheduled to start February 5th.
- J&A started Hughes Springs tank restoration.
- J&A addressing cracks at Tanner Plant.
 - Weather/temperature changes.
- Tanner “Dog-run” area is being cleaned out.

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- Basin #1 is back in operation.
- Cold weather event:
 - Reached out to all member cities and customers with offers to help and aid if needed, as well as to communicate emergency conditions.
 - Few pressure gauges/level indicators froze.

A motion to approve TWCA and RRVA sponsorships for the whole year was made by Sandra Wexler. Jimmy Cox seconded the motion. Motion carried, all voting aye. Motion to table items 11b and 11c was made by Patrick Smith and seconded by Stan Wyatt. Motion carried, all voting aye.


President George Otstott announced at 12:00 P.M. that the Board was recessing into a closed executive session for consultation concerning attorney-client matters with the District's legal counsel under Section 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 12:13 P.M., President George Otstott announced the meeting was reconvened in open public session.

During the General Manager's report, Robert Speight was recognized for 10 years of dedicated service to the District. Mr. Owen informed the Board of the upcoming RRVA conference to be held on February 21, 22, 2024, and the TWCA conference to be held on March 6-8, 2024.

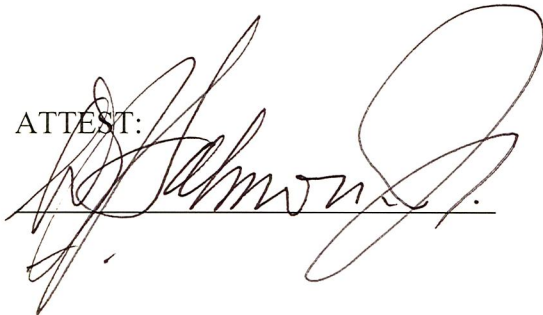
On a motion by Robyn Shelton and a second by Jimmy Cox, the next meeting of the Board of Directors was set for February 26, 2024. Motion carried, all voting aye.

Motion to adjourn was made by Jack Salmon with a second from Jimmy Cox. Motion carried, all voting aye.

APPROVED:


George Otstott, President

ATTEST:


Jack Salmon