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**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
FEBRUARY 26, 2026**

The North Texas Municipal Water District (NTMWD) Board of Directors met in a regular meeting on Thursday, February 26, 2026, at 2:30 p.m. Notice of the meeting was legally posted in accordance with Government Code, Title 551, Open Meetings.

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

President David Hollifield called the meeting to order at approximately 2:30 p.m.

President Hollifield advised the following regarding the meeting:

The meeting today is being conducted in person with two-way video and audio communication between Board members participating by videoconference, establishing a quorum. The public may attend the meeting in person. Audio and video of Board members participating by videoconference will be visible. Members of the public wishing to listen to live audio from the meeting may do so by calling in.

**II. INVOCATION**

Director Rick Crowley offered the invocation.

**III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

President Hollifield led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**IV. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE TEXAS FLAG**

President Hollifield led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Texas Flag.

**V. ROLL CALL/ANNOUNCEMENT OF QUORUM**

The roll was called, and attendance was confirmed as follows:

<b>DIRECTOR</b>	<b>IN PERSON</b>	<b>REMOTE</b>
Terry Sam <b>ANDERSON</b>	√	
Franklin <b>BYRD</b>	Absent	
Rick <b>CROWLEY</b>	√	
George <b>CRUMP</b>		√
Lori Barnett <b>DODSON</b>		√
Phil <b>DYER</b>	√	
Marvin <b>FULLER</b>		√
David <b>HOLLIFIELD</b>	√	
Chip <b>IMRIE</b>	√	
Blair <b>JOHNSON</b>	√	
Ronald <b>KELLEY</b>	Absent	
Geralyn <b>KEVER</b>		√
Alan <b>McCUISTION</b>	√	
Rick <b>MANN</b>	√	
Steve <b>MATTHEWS</b>	√	
Jack <b>MAY</b>	√	
Don <b>PASCHAL</b>	√	
Richard <b>PEASLEY</b>	√	
George <b>PUREFOY</b>	√	
Randy <b>ROLAND</b>	√	
Keith <b>STEPHENS</b>	√	
Ray <b>STEPHENS</b>	√	
Jody <b>SUTHERLAND</b>	√	
Stephen <b>TERRELL</b>	√	
Larry <b>THOMPSON</b>	√	

The following NTMWD legal and professional consultants attended the meeting:

- Lauren Kalisek – Lloyd Gosselink Rochelle & Townsend

**VI. OPENING REMARKS**

- A. President's Remarks concerning current events, recognitions, conduct of meeting, posted agenda items, committee assignments, and related matters

President Hollifield welcomed new Director, Steve Matthews. He was appointed by the City of Allen in January to fill the seat vacated by Dr. Farmer's retirement in December.

President Hollifield reviewed the tentative meeting schedule for March as follows:

- Wednesday, March 11: Executive and Solid Waste Committees
- Wednesday, March 25: Wastewater and Water Committees
- Thursday, March 26: Board Meeting

- B. Executive Director's Status Report concerning legislation and regulatory matters, budgets, current projects and ongoing programs of the District including the Regional Water System, Regional Wastewater System, Regional Solid Waste System, Watershed Protection, and Water Conservation

Executive Director Jenna Covington announced that the NTMWD was awarded the Asset Management Project of the Year at the Underground Infrastructure Conference held in San Antonio last month. She advised that the program goals were exceeded and offered her congratulations to the Wastewater Conveyance Team.

2025 Employee of The Year and Team of The Year

Executive Director Covington reviewed that the Carl W. Riehn Employee of the Year award was created in 1999 to commemorate and memorialize the 28 years of dedicated service of Mr. Riehn, who served as the District's Executive Director from 1969 to 1998. She advised that this honor is awarded to an outstanding employee who is nominated and selected by fellow employees.

Executive Director Covington stated that 30 nominations for Employee of the Year were submitted with four finalists being selected. Those four finalists are:

- Lance Hutchins, Water Plant Operator II- Bonham Water Treatment Plant
- Tim Forte, Lead Wastewater Plant Operator- Wilson Creek Wastewater Treatment Plant
- Ruby Magnuson, Administrative Technician- 121 Regional Disposal Facility
- Pamela Cooper, Sr. Sample Control Technician, Support Services- Laboratory

Executive Director Covington announced that the 2025 Employee of the Year is Ruby Magnuson. Ms. Magnuson was present to receive this recognition.

Executive Director Covington stated that the Team of the Year Award was created to recognize outstanding teamwork and job performance to achieve the NTMWD mission, which is to:

"Provide high quality and dependable water, wastewater and solid waste services in a cost efficient manner."

She added that the intent of this award is to promote cooperation, communication, planning and prioritization and other attributes of a cohesive team while recognizing those that go above and beyond.

This year, there were 20 nominations, the most ever submitted. Four teams were selected as finalists and include:

The Employee Engagement Working Group  
The Rowlett Creek CEPT & SDOX/LOX Implementation Team  
The Mesquite Overhead Power Distribution Team  
The Sister Grove Startup Team

Executive Director Covington announced that the Sister Grove Startup Team is the 2025 Team of the Year. Members of the team were present for recognition. She noted that this team is comprised of staff from several different departments.

Executive Director Covington also provided an overview of the Executive Director's 2026 Management Focus Areas for this calendar year. She provided details and said that the information will be provided to each Director. It was noted that these focus areas were presented at the Executive Committee meeting this month.

## **VII. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Members, customers, and the public were invited to participate during the public comment period of the meeting. Before the start of the meeting, speakers completed and submitted a "Public Comment Registration Form." During this portion of the meeting, speakers were recognized by name and asked to provide their comments. The time limit was three (3) minutes per speaker, not to exceed a total of thirty (30) minutes for all speakers. Texas Open Meetings Act prohibited the Board Members from discussing items not listed in the agenda, however, they could respond with factual or policy information.

There were no requests for public comment.

## **VIII. DISCUSSION ITEMS**

### **A. Update on Texas Parks and Wildlife partnership with North Texas Municipal Water District**

Galen Roberts, Director of Water Resources, advised that in April, the Bois d'Arc Lake will celebrate the second anniversary of the lake being open to the public for recreation. He described the partnership that NTMWD has had with the Texas Parks and Wildlife over the past several years on various projects and issues, including their role in the Bois d'Arc Lake project.

Mr. Roberts introduced Dan Bennett, TPWD Inland Fisheries Division, who reviewed their activities related to stocking the lake with fish, which will occur each spring. He described regulations regarding fish sizes as well as the types of fish in the lake. Mr. Bennett provided survey data that TPWL collected over 40 days, which includes the number of boats, and the number of anglers that averaged 86 per day.

During the survey, zip codes were collected from the anglers that reflected people from eight (8) states. Websites related to the lake's fishing were provided. He advised that recently an invasive plant species was introduced into the lake from Caddo Lake. The plant was quickly identified and collection efforts are believed to be successful.

TPWL Regional Director Stephen Lange provided an overview of public hunting at Bois d'Arc Lake. He advised that hunting is only allowed on the west side of the lake and is prohibited on the east side of the lake near the headquarters. He explained the migratory game bird regulations that are in place on the lake. He noted that hunters are required to register to hunt at Bois d'Arc Lake. Mr. Lange reviewed the collaboration efforts underway for public fishing and hunting agreements.

**IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

There were no scheduled Executive Session items.

**X. RECONVENE INTO REGULAR SESSION**

There were no scheduled Executive Session items.

**XI. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**

The Consent Agenda allows the Board of Directors to approve all routine, noncontroversial items with a single motion, without the need for discussion by the entire Board. Any item may be removed from consent and considered individually upon request of a Board member or NTMWD staff member.

President Hollifield inquired whether any Director would like to remove an item from the Consent Agenda for separate discussion. There were no requests for separate discussion.

Upon a motion by Director Don Paschal to approve the Consent Agenda items and a second by Director Alan McCuiston, the Board of Directors voted unanimously to approve the Consent Agenda items. Director GERALYN KEVER was absent from the vote.

**A. January 2026 Regular Board Meeting Minutes**

The Executive Director and NTMWD staff recommend the Board of Directors approve the minutes of the regular Board meeting held on Thursday, January 22, 2026, as presented.

**B. Modification of Capital Projects Request**

Recommend the Board of Directors approve the February 2026 Modification of Capital Projects Request as presented.

**C. Princeton Lift Station Expansion – Pump Impeller Replacement; Project No. 501-0617-22 Award of Seller Services Agreement**

Authorize award of a seller services agreement in the amount of \$262,892 to FCX Performance Inc. dba Pierce Pump Company.

**XII. AGENDA ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION****GENERAL / ADMINISTRATIVE AGENDA ITEMS****A. Annual Comprehensive Financial Report**

Accept Submission of the fiscal year 2025 Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR).

Director Rick Crowley advised that the District's audit partner from Crowe, LLP, presented the audit results on February 11th to the Finance Committee. Michelle Buss, Audit Manager, is available to answer any questions. The Finance Committee and staff recommend the Board authorize the acceptance of the FY25 Annual Comprehensive Financial Report.

Upon a motion by Director Rick Crowley and a second by Director Rick Mann, the Board of Directors voted unanimously to approve. Director GERALYN KEVER was absent from the vote.

President Hollifield advised that the following Items XII. B., C., and D. all pertain to Refunding Bonds for Extendable Commercial Paper Bonds.

**B. Refunding Bonds for Extendable Commercial Paper Bonds; Resolution No. 26-02**

Adopt Resolution No. 26-02 requesting authorization to issue Refunding Bonds for the Regional Water System Extendable Commercial Paper Bonds.

Director Rick Crowley read the following statement:

This item and the next 2 items (C-D) were reviewed at the February 11th Finance Committee meeting. The Finance Committee voted to recommend the Board of Directors adopt Resolutions Nos. 26-02, 26-03, and 26-04 authorizing the issuance, sale and delivery of NTMWD Refunding Bonds in amounts not to exceed \$700,000,000 in the Regional Water System, \$400,000,000 in the Regional Wastewater System, and \$150,000,000 in the Upper East Fork Interceptor System. These resolutions are effective for 1 year and provide liquidity for the extendable commercial paper programs. Refunding bonds authorized by these actions will only be sold in the event of a failed extendable commercial paper remarketing.

Upon a motion by Director Rick Crowley and a second by Director Rick Mann, the Board of Directors voted unanimously to approve Resolution No. 26-02 as presented. Director GERALYN KEVER was absent from the vote.

**C. Refunding Bonds for Extendable Commercial Paper Bonds; Resolution No. 26-03**

Adopt Resolution No. 26-03 requesting authorization to issue Refunding Bonds for the Regional Wastewater System Extendable Commercial Paper Bonds.

Upon a motion by Director Rick Crowley and a second by Director Terry Sam Anderson, the Board of Directors voted unanimously to approve Resolution No. 26-03 as presented. Director GERALYN KEVER was absent from the vote.

- D. Refunding Bonds for Extendable Commercial Paper Bonds; Resolution No. 26-04**  
Adopt Resolution No. 26-04 requesting authorization to issue Refunding Bonds for the Upper East Fork Wastewater Interceptor System Extendable Commercial Paper Bonds.

Upon a motion by Director Rick Crowley and a second by Director Rick Mann, the Board of Directors voted unanimously to approve Resolution No. 26-04 as presented. Director Geralyn Keever was absent from the vote.

### **WATER AGENDA ITEMS**

- E. Leonard Treated Water Pipeline No. 2, Segment D; Project No. 101-0684-26; Engineering Services Agreement - Final Engineering Design**  
Authorize funding in the amount of \$4,583,900 to Freese and Nichols, Inc. for an engineering services agreement for final engineering design of the proposed Leonard Treated Water Pipeline No. 2, Segment D.

Director Jack May stated that the Water Committee reviewed this item yesterday and voted to recommend the Board authorize approval.

This new 84-inch pipeline segment is the first of two that will convey additional treated water from the Leonard Water Treatment Plant to the District's north water conveyance system to meet growing demand requirements. Segment D includes over 72,000 linear feet of pipe between the Leonard Plant and Segment E.

Upon a motion by Director Jack May and a second by Director Larry Thompson, the Board of Directors voted unanimously to approve. Director Geralyn Keever was absent from the vote.

- F. Leonard Treated Water Pipeline No. 2, Segment E; Project No. 101-0685-26; Engineering Services Agreement – Final Engineering Design**  
Authorize funding in the amount of \$4,890,150 to HDR Engineering, Inc. for an engineering services agreement for final engineering design of the proposed Leonard Treated Water Pipeline No. 2, Segment E.

Director Jack May stated that the Water Committee reviewed this item yesterday and voted to recommend the Board authorize approval.

This new 84-inch pipeline segment is the second of two that will convey additional treated water from the Leonard Water Treatment Plant to the District's north water conveyance system to meet growing demand requirements. Segment E includes approximately 58,000 linear feet of pipe between Segment D and NTMWD's existing water conveyance system

Upon a motion by Director Jack May and a second by Director Blair Johnson, the Board of Directors voted unanimously to approve. Director Geralyn Keever was absent from the vote.

**G. Leonard to Princeton Pipeline; Project No. 101-0686-26; Preliminary Engineering Services Agreement**

Authorize funding in the amount of \$2,737,600 to AECOM Technical Services, Inc. for an engineering services agreement (ESA) for preliminary design of the Leonard to Princeton Pipeline project.

Director Jack May advised that the Water Committee reviewed this item yesterday and voted to recommend the Board authorize approval.

Projected growth in areas served by NTMWD's North Water Conveyance System will require water supply greater than the system's existing capacity. The purpose of this project is to design a new 28,000 linear foot, 48-inch pipeline connecting Leonard Water Treatment Plant supplies to the North System in Princeton.

Upon a motion by Director Jack May and a second by Director Larry Thompson, the Board of Directors voted unanimously to approve. Director Geralyn Keever was absent from the vote.

**H. Leonard Treated Water Pipeline to Farmersville Delivery Point; Project No. 101-0632-23; Tabulation of Bids and Award of Contract for Pipe Procurement**

Authorize award of a procurement contract in the amount of \$15,257,175 to Northwest Pipe Company for pipe procurement, storage, and delivery for the Leonard Treated Water Pipeline to Farmersville Delivery Point project.

Director Jack May stated that the Water Committee reviewed this item yesterday and voted to recommend the Board authorize approval.

This item authorizes the procurement of 62,300 linear feet of 48-inch pipe to connect the Leonard Water Treatment Plant treated water pipeline to NTMWD's water conveyance system near Farmersville. A subsequent construction package is needed to authorize construction of the pipeline. This project will help meet growing demands in the region.

Upon a motion by Director Jack May and a second by Director Alan McCuiston, the Board of Directors voted unanimously to approve. Director Geralyn Keever was absent from the vote.

**I. Authorization of Execution of the Potable Water Supply Contract with Milligan Water Supply Corporation (WSC), a current Customer of NTMWD.**

Authorize execution of new Potable Water Supply Contract with Milligan WSC (Customer), a current Customer of NTMWD

Director Jack May stated that the Water Committee reviewed this item yesterday and voted to recommend the Board authorize approval.

The existing water supply contract does not expire until October 26, 2043, but Milligan Water Supply Corporation and NTMWD desire to amend and completely restate the terms of the existing Contract and enter into a new Customer Potable Water Supply Contract that conforms to NTMWD's current standard.

Upon a motion by Director Jack May and a second by Director Ray Stephens, the Board of Directors voted unanimously to approve. Director Geralyn Keever was absent from the vote.

**J. Authorization of Execution of the Potable Water Supply Contract with the Town of Little Elm, a current Customer of NTMWD.**

Authorize execution of new Potable Water Supply Contract with Town of Little Elm (Customer), a current Customer of NTMWD.

Director Jack May stated that the Water Committee reviewed this item yesterday and voted to recommend the Board authorize approval.

The previous contract does not expire until March 27, 2033, but the Town of Little Elm and NTMWD desire to amend and completely restate the terms of the existing Contract and enter into a new Customer Potable Water Supply Contract that conforms to NTMWD's current standard.

Upon a motion by Director Jack May and a second by Director Rick Crowley, the Board of Directors voted unanimously to approve. Director Geralyn Keever was absent from the vote.

**SOLID WASTE AGENDA ITEMS**

**K. Public Hearing on City of Melissa Request for Membership in Regional Solid Waste System**

Setting public hearing on City of Melissa request for membership in the Regional Solid Waste System.

Director Richard Peasley advised that the Solid Waste Committee met on January 21<sup>st</sup> to review this item and recommends the Board of Directors approve a hearing date of March 3, 2026, at 1:00 pm for the City of Melissa's request for membership in the Regional Solid Waste System and for NTMWD staff to provide written notice of the hearing to all Regional Solid Waste System member cities.

Upon a motion by Director Richard Peasley and a second by Director Rick Crowley, the Board of Directors voted unanimously to approve. Director Geralyn Keever was absent from the vote.

**L. Second Modification of Interlocal Cooperation Agreement between NTMWD and City of Plano, and Companion Memorandum of Understanding between NTMWD and Cities of Allen, Frisco, McKinney, Plano, and Richardson Regarding Amended and Restated Regional Composting Program**

Authorize the Executive Director to execute the Second Modification of Interlocal Cooperation Agreement (ILA) Between North Texas Municipal Water District and the City of Plano, Texas for Amended and Restated Regional Composting Program, and execute the companion Second Modification of Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Between North Texas Municipal Water District, Cities of Allen, Frisco, McKinney, Plano, and Richardson Regarding Amended and Restated Regional Composting Program Interlocal Agreement.

Director Richard Peasley stated that the Solid Waste Committee met November 19th and January 21st and discussed this item. He recommended the Board of Directors authorize the Executive Director to execute the Second Modification of the Interlocal Agreement and the Second Modification of the companion Memorandum of Understanding for the Amended and Restated Regional Composting Program upon the Plano City Council’s authorization to execute the same documents and the Cities of Allen, Frisco, McKinney, and Richardson executing the companion MOU.

Upon a motion by Director Richard Peasley and a second by Director Jody Sutherland, the Board of Directors voted unanimously to approve. Director GERALYN KEVER was absent from the vote.

**XIII. CLOSING ITEMS**

- A. Opportunity for Board members to provide feedback or request potential future agenda items.

Director McCuiston offered his appreciation and congratulations to the Finance team for a clean audit.

Directors Anderson and Crowley expressed appreciation to Texas Parks and Wildlife for their partnership with the District and the presentations provided at this meeting.

Director Peasley requested a future update on the mitigation property at Bois d’Arc Lake.

**XIV. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at approximately 3:46 p.m.

APPROVED:

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DAVID HOLLIFIELD, President

ATTEST:

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KEITH STEPHENS, Secretary