

*Northeast Texas Rural Rail
Transportation District
Regular Meeting
Wednesday, July 13, 2016, 1:00 PM*

The Northeast Texas Rural Rail Transportation District will meet for a regular meeting and an executive session at 1:00 PM on Wednesday, July 13, 2016 at the EDC Office, 1200 Enterprise Lane, Sulphur Springs, Texas. The following items will be discussed:

- 1. Call to order/determination of a quorum.*
- 2. Recognition and invitation to citizens: any citizen may make a presentation however; no action will be taken unless provided for on the Agenda.*
- 3. Comments by board members, and/or staff or declaration of conflict of interest.*
- 4. Approval of minutes from meeting on May 11, 2016.*

_____ *Motion* _____ *Second* _____ *Ayes* _____ *Nays*

- 5. Discussion and possible action regarding the current efforts with Rep. VanDeaver, Senator Hughes, Senator Hall and Rep. Flynn to introduce into the House and Senate, an 85th State of Texas Legislative Appropriation Request (LAR) for \$19.0 million to refurbish the operating railroad to FRA class 2. (S.Young, B.Hunter, G.Simms, W.Defebaugh, P.Davila)*

_____ *Motion* _____ *Second* _____ *Ayes* _____ *Nays*

- 6. Discussion oand possible action regarding the NETEX plan to secure \$19.0 million in funding from the State of Texas for the Class 2 refurbishment and if awarded, utilize these funds as matching funds for a Federal Fastlane "Small and Rural" grant application to finish the refurbishment to Class 3.*

_____ *Motion* _____ *Second* _____ *Ayes* _____ *Nays*

- 7. Discussion and possible action regarding the release date of the final draft of the Request for Expressions of Interest. (P.Davila)*

_____ *Motion* _____ *Second* _____ *Ayes* _____ *Nays*

- 8. Discussion for informational purposes the July 1st transition of administrative support to the Sulphur Springs Hopkins County EDC (Mitzi Y'Barbo). (P.Davila)*

- 9. Discussion and possible action regarding a modification to the NETEX Budget to continue the above activities through September 30th (the end of the 2015-2016 Fiscal Year) by adding an additional \$28,000 from general revenues to the budget for the Executive Director.*

_____ *Motion* _____ *Second* _____ *Ayes* _____ *Nays*

10. *Adjourn to Executive Session*

- a. *Deliberations about Real Property and Personnel in accordance with Section 551.072 and Section 551.074, Texas Government Code, (Possible joint ownership partnering, sale and/or long-term lease of NETEX Assets and Strategies going forward in 2016 and into 2017).*


Adjourn to Open Session

11. *Action as a result of Executive Session*

_____ *Motion* _____ *Second* _____ *Ayes* _____ *Nays*

12. *Adjourn*

The Northeast Texas Rural Rail Transportation District Board reserves the right to adjourn into executive session at any time during the course of this meeting to discuss any of the matters listed above, as authorized by Texas Government Code Sections 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney), 551.072 (Deliberations about Real Property), 551.074 (Personnel Matters) and 551.087 (Negotiations).




Sam Young
NETEX Chairman

STATE OF TEXAS
NORTHEAST TEXAS RURAL RAIL TRANSPORTATION DISTRICT

I, Mitzi Y'Barbo, NETEX Administrative Assistant, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing notice was filed in my office on the 8th day of July 2016 at 1:00 PM

Given under my hand and seal this 8th day of July 2016 at 1:00 PM

Posted this 8th day of July, 2016



Mitzi Y'Barbo
NETEX Administrative Assistant