

A Regular Meeting of the Northeast Texas Rural Rail Transportation District's Board of Directors was convened on August 3, 2023 at 1:30 p.m. at Sulphur Springs EDC, 1200 Enterprise Lane, Sulphur Springs, Texas.

Members present: Secretary-Paul Burt, Treasurer-Mark Hutchins, Brad Johnson, Vice Chairman-Scott Lee, Galen Adams, Nate Priefert, Stacy Sears

Members absent: Chairman-Cheryl Williams, Duncan Webb, Greg Sims, Mark Baird, Steve McCullough

Staff present: Mollye Rosas, Ron Stutes, Attorney

Call to Order

1. Chairman- Cheryl Williams called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. and announced that a quorum was present.
2. **Prayer for Board Members Guidance and Inspiration.**
Greg Sims gave the invocation.
3. **Recognition of guests and invitation to citizens to speak: Any citizen may sign-in to address the Board for five-minutes. Time can be extended should NETEX have a question for clarification purposes. However, no action will be taken, unless previously provided for as an Agenda Item.**
4. **Declaration of conflicts of interest.** (Board Members and Staff) None.
5. **Approval of minutes from meeting on July 13, 2023 meeting.**
Scott Lee made a motion to approve the minutes, a second was entered by Brad Johnson. The approval was unanimous.
6. **Discuss and possibly approve Treasurers report.**
Scott Lee made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report. Stacy Sears seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous and passed.
7. **Discuss and possible approval of an agreement with the City of Sulphur Springs related to a water line easement and rail crossing repairs.**
Brad Johnson made a motion of approval. Scott Lee seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous and passed.

8. Approve a Request by Harvest real Estate for Right of Entry for brush clearing.

Greg Sims made a motion to approve the Treasurer’s Report. Mark Hutchins seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous and passed.

9. Approve a request for Right of entry by Baseline Surveyors (a TxDot contractor) related to the expansion of FM 6

Scott Lee made a motion to approve the Treasurer’s Report. Stacy Sears seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous and passed.

10. Northeast Texas connector (NETC) Monthly Update by Operator –Mike Salek
gave an update on monthly activities and repairs.

11. Board Member Comments: None

12. Consider Items for Future Agendas None

13. Adjourn: With no further action, Greg Sims made a motion to adjourn, and Mark Hutchins seconded. Chairman Cheryl Williams declared the meeting adjourned at 2:21 PM.

Cheryl Williams, Chairman

Date

Guests Included:

Mitzi Y’Barbo, Ron Stutes, Attorney, Amanda Fernandez, Mark Maxwell, Sulphur Springs City Manager

Note:

(1) The next meeting is schedules for Thursday, September 7, 2023 at 1:30 p.m. at the Sulphur Springs EDC.

(2) Any board member wishing to have an item placed on the agenda for discussion or action, is asked to contact the Chairman in advance of each meeting. Items not listed on the agenda, cannot be discussed.