



MEETING NOTICE

TO: North East Texas Regional Mobility Authority Board Members
FROM: Gary Halbrooks
DATE: Tuesday, January 21, 2025
SUBJECT: **January Board Meeting**

The next meeting of the NET RMA is scheduled as follows:

DATE: Tuesday, January 21, 2025
TIME: 1:30 PM
PLACE: NET RMA Offices
1011 Pruitt Place
Tyler, Texas 75703

Enclosed please find the agenda and other pertinent information for your review prior to the meeting. Should you have any questions, please call Megan Page at 903.630.7894.

NORTH EAST TEXAS REGIONAL MOBILITY AUTHORITY (NET RMA)
BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING
Tuesday, January 21, 2025, 1:30 PM
NET RMA Offices
1011 Pruitt Place
Tyler, Texas 75703

1. CALL TO ORDER AND DECLARATION OF QUORUM.

Notice of this meeting was posted with the Secretary of State's Office and on the NET RMA website and office on Friday, January 17, 2025.

2. OPEN PUBLIC FORUM/COMMENT PERIOD.

3. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION OF BOARD MEMBERS.

Larry Morris is acting as Chairman

In Person – Marcia Daughtrey, Larry Morse, Howard Patterson

Virtual – Curtis Rath, Dan Droege, Andrea Williams McCoy, Ben Hamilton, Robert Messer, Matthew Nelson, John Cloutier, Chet Clayton, Jason Ray, Mac Abney, Dave Spurrier

4. REMARKS BY CASS COUNTY JUDGE TRAVIS RANSOM.

Glenn Green – This was changed due to our last-minute change in location

5. CHAIR'S REPORT.

N/A

Gary Halbrooks

6. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FOR THE NOVEMBER 5, 2024, REGULAR BOARD MEETING.

1st – Marcia Daughtrey, 2nd – Howard Patterson, Motion approved.

7. COMMITTEE REPORTS.

Robert Messer – Finance Committee – I believe everyone got a copy of our Moody Report. They are always concerned about the outlook of our business. They come in once a year and give us a grade on our credit. There are a couple of others, but Moody's is well respected. At this time, our rating is BAA2. Ours is currently in the middle. They currently like we are stable and ability to raise tolls regularly. They have said if our debt service is increased our rating would drop. They have expressed concern about us moving forward with Segment 6. Overall, we had a good report.

Dave Spurrier – About 6 or 8 months ago, Glenn and I did a little work to kick off work again on Segment 6. In doing so, we asked our engineers to reevaluate all of the routes. In a unanimous vote, the committee to keep the 3 routes, and there are a couple tweaks to the to one route. There will be a public meeting that will be in May to get opinions from the public. We will continue to work and just wanted to give an update.

Howard Patterson – Is this a normal time frame?

Dave Spurrier – Yes, this is a normal time frame is my understanding.

8. REVIEW AND ACCEPTANCE OF NET RMA FINANCIAL STATEMENTS.

Dianne Johnston – Net electronic actual is 0%, net video revenue over budget by 1%, operating revenue is equal to budget at 0%, operating expenses over budget 1%, Toll 49 operating expenses over budget 36%, net other income expense over budget 4%, net income deficit over budget 115%. Questions?

1st – Howard Patterson, 2nd – Marcia Daughtrey, Motion Approved

9. PUBLIC OUTREACH UPDATE

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Kami Bailey and David Gibbs – Provided updates on the NET RMA's marketing campaigns, including a new "Get-A-Tag" campaign launching in February and continued efforts around the "Take Action Against Distraction" safe driving campaign. They also discussed conducting a consumer survey to gather more insights on drivers in the area.

Larry Morris – Thank you David and Kami

Glenn Green – I would also like to point out our project in Harrison County. Thank you to our board members in Harrison County and all the work you do. Also, all of our advertisement on Safe Driving and our efforts to make improvements and maintenance on the road has allowed us to have zero fatalities on the road this year.

10. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO REVIEW AND APPROVE THE NET RMA INVESTMENT POLICY.
(RESOLUTION 25-01) Action Item

Glenn Green – Our investment policy has been reviewed by the committee and believes no changes need to be made to the policy.

Robert Messer – I agree

1st – Dan Droege, 2nd – John Ray, Motion approved

11. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE AN EXTENSION OF THE FINANCIAL ADVISORY SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH HILLTOP SECURITIES, INC.
(RESOLUTION 25-02) Action Item

Glenn Green – As it is before, we are requesting we extend this agreement with our current financial advisors. We want to do a refunding that we have tried to do in the past. We think it would be beneficial to keep our current advisors. We would go through a procurement process in 2026.

1st – Robert Messer, 2nd – Andrea Williams McCoy, Motion approved

12. DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING ASSESSMENT OF THE ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP FEE FOR MEMBER COUNTIES OF THE NET RMA.
(RESOLUTION 25-03) Action Item

Glenn Green – We have already discussed this, but after talking with Brian, we wanted to go through the formal process.

1st – Dave Spurrier, 2nd – Rush Harris, Motion Approved

13. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT.

A. Roadside Slope and Ditch Repair

Glenn Green – We continue to work on slope and ditch repair. Soon, I will have something to bring for you, but we are still working on engineering. It is not just filling a hole.

The Board moved to the executive session at 2:03. 2:16 Board of Directors is back in an open meeting. They took no

action.

14. ADJOURNMENT.

1st – Mac Abney, 2nd – Marcia Daughtrey, Motion Approved. Adjourned at 2:17

EXECUTIVE SESSION - PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 551, SUBCHAPTER D, TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE, IF ANY

- At any time during the meeting of the NET RMA Board of Directors, the Board may meet in executive session for consultation concerning matters under Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, including:
 - A. Section 551.071. Consultation with Attorney—Consultation with and advice from legal counsel concerning pending/contemplated litigation, settlement offers and negotiations, ongoing disputes and potential disputes, and other legal issues.

- B. Section 551.072. Deliberation Regarding Real Property—Discussion of real property purchase, exchange, lease, license, gift, donation, and/or negotiated settlement, including property to be acquired for right-of-way.**
- C. Section 551.074. Personnel Matters—Deliberation concerning the appointment, employment, reassignment, evaluation, duties, discipline, and/or dismissal of personnel.**

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One or more members of the Board may participate in this meeting through a telephone conference call, as authorized by Section 370.262, Texas Transportation Code. Under that law, each part of the telephone conference call meeting that by law must be open to the public shall be audible to the public at the meeting location. During the meeting, the identification of each party shall be clearly stated prior to speaking, and the meeting shall be documented by written minutes. On conclusion of the meeting, the written minutes of the meeting will be made available to the public.

OPEN COMMENT PERIOD

The Board will allow an open comment period, **not to exceed one hour**, to receive public comment on any other matter that is under the jurisdiction of the Board, including an item listed on the agenda. Public comment must be made during the open comment period. You must be recognized by the presiding officer.

Each speaker will be allowed a **maximum of three (3) minutes**. For subjects that are not otherwise part of the agenda for the meeting, Board members may neither comment nor question speakers during the open comment period, but may request the presiding officer, or a recognized committee, to investigate the subject further. No action will be taken on matters that are not part of the agenda for the meeting.

NOTE

Enumerated agenda items are assigned for ease of reference only and will not necessarily be considered by the Board in that particular order. The presiding officer may rearrange the order in which agenda items are considered.

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