

Denton Utility Commission
Meeting Minutes

May 21, 2025

4:00PM

- I. Mr. Woomer called the meeting to order at 4:01 PM and thanked all that were in attendance.
- II. Those in attendance were Leroy Woomer, Lee Tillery, Adam Jones, Ann Jacobs, Mark Chandler, Councilperson Lister, Scott Getchell, and Karen Monteith.
- III. Minutes for April 23, 2025, were reviewed and on motion by Ms. Jacobs and seconded by Mr. Tillery, the minutes were moved for approval. No discussion was had and the motion carried unanimously.
- IV. **Open Issues**
 - a. **Waterworth** – Mr. Getchell reported that he will be sending off the draft budget to Waterworth for input into the database. Once completed, this will allow the commission to see the findings and rate proposals when aligned with the proposed budget.
 - b. **Sludge Management Upgrade** – Mr. Getchell reported that there were no new updates. To date, the MDE has not sent over any funding proposals for review by the town/commission.
 - c. **Water & Sewer Budgets** – Mr. Getchell presented to the Commission, the proposed W/S Budget Draft for FY2026. All forecasts and needs have been entered into the proposed budget. There was some discussion on the budget as well as during discussion there were some questions on increases in income due to some expansion projects. The budget has not been finalized but has been presented to the commission for review.
 - d. **Fiber Optic/Broadband** – Mr. Getchell reported that he had been in communication with Simple Fiber but nothing new from a contractual situation. At this point the original contract agreement for fiber has expired.
 - e. **Lead Service Line Inventory** – It was disclosed by Mr. Getchell that at this point the town has no additional or new updates. The town is waiting on a funding package opportunity as the scope of the project has significant financial impact.
 - f. **Talkie Communications** – A draft agreement will be presented for review and discussion. The drafted agreement was shared with Commission and terms

had been agreed to between the town and talkie. The Commission discussed and reviewed the agreement that had been drafted by the Town's Attorney. The commission makes a recommendation to move forward with the proposed agreement. Motion by Mr. Woomer, Second by Mr. Tillery. Unanimously approved.

g. **Other Open Issues** - None

V. New Business

i. **None**

VI. **Adjournment** – Motion to adjourn at 4:50 by Mr. Jones, second by Ms. Jacobs. Unanimously approved.

Respectfully Submitted,
Adam Jones, Secretary