

Denton Utility Commission

Meeting Minutes

July 15, 2026

4:00PM

- I. Mr. Woomer called the meeting to order at 4:02 PM and thanked all that were in attendance.
- II. Those in attendance were Councilperson Lister, Leroy Woomer, Ann Jacobs, Lee Tillery, Mark Chandler, Scott Getchell
- III. Minutes for May 20th meeting was approved on motion by Ms. Jacobs and seconded by Mr. Tillery. No discussion and unanimously approved.
- IV. Open Issues
 - a. **Sludge Management Update:** Mr. Getchell stated the project is in the design phase. He also stated 2 different sludge presses were recently piloted at the plant and one press performed better than the other.
 - b. **Fiber Optic Broadband:** Getchell and Lister stated there is no update.
 - c. **Lead Line Inventory and Replacement:** Getchell stated the Town applied for grant funding and noticed Denton was listed on MDE's approved project list for 3 million dollars. The Town has not been officially notified as of yet.
 - d. **Member Appointment:** Mrs. Annette Wales has submitted a letter of interest to serve on the Utility Commission. Mr. Getchell has been in communication with her. The Board agreed to move forward to her installation.
 - e. **Water / Sewer Budgets:** Getchell stated the budgets for FY 2027 have been approved and adopted.

V. New Business

- a. **August UC Meeting** – Mr. Tillery suggested postponing the August UC meeting until September due to it being so close to Summerfest. The Board unanimously agreed.
- b. **ERU's (Equivalent Residential Units):** Councilman Lister opened a discussion pertaining to ERU's. Several members requested clarification on what an ERU is. Lister suggested with the large amount recently requested, the Town should research different avenues to increase additional ERU's should we hit our cap. Getchell mentioned a previous design to include a spray field as a method of disposing effluent. The previous design will be located and updated.

VI. Adjournment: Ms. Jacobs made a motion to adjourn, Mr. Tillery seconded. Meeting was adjourned at 4:45 pm.