DENTON UTILITY COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES

November 18, 2026| 4:00 p.m.

Present

Leroy Woomer, Chair; Lee Tillery, Vice Chair; Annette Wales, Secretary (arrived at 4:19 p.m.); Scott Getchell, Town Administrator; and Mark Chandler, DPW Superintendent. Mr. Chandler recorded the minutes until the Secretary arrived.

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 4:03 p.m.

2.Approval of Minutes

October 21, 2026: Mr. Tillery moved to approve the minutes as reviewed, and Mr. Woomer seconded.

3. Open Issues

A. Sludge Management Upgrade: Design drawings are about 60% complete and should be submitted by the end of the month. Mr. Lister asked whether construction is still on track to start in October 2027; Mr. Getchell said that, to his knowledge, it is. The next progress meeting is December 2nd. The group also discussed the construction permit.

B. Fiber Optic Broadband: No recent updates. Mr. Getchell has a call with Talkie scheduled for November 19, 2026.

C. Lead Service Line Inventory: Engineers are preparing a recommendation and strategy for using $3 million in loan forgiveness funding. The Town is requesting a proposal from George, Miles & Buhr (GMB), an engineering firm experienced in utility projects, to prioritize the work and plan the most effective use of the funds.

D. Wastewater Treatment Plant Performance Issues: Mr. Chandler reported that the plant is performing very well and is on track to achieve compliance by December 31, 2026.

E. Wastewater Treatment Plant Future Expansion: The board reviewed GMB's proposal for a feasibility study on future plant expansion, estimated at $25,000. Because the study is not in the current budget, Mr. Tillery moved to include it in next fiscal year's budget. Ms. Wales seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

4. New Business

A. Ann Jacobs submitted her resignation, ending her board term on December 31, 2026. Members were asked to recommend a potential replacement for the vacancy.

B. Other New Business: None.

4. Adjournment

Mr. Tillery moved to adjourn, and Mr. Woomer seconded. The meeting adjourned at 4:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Annette Wales, Secretary