



MINUTES

UPPER TRINITY REGIONAL WATER DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS May 7, 2026

REGULAR SESSION BOARD MEETING

1. Call to Order

The Board of Directors of the Upper Trinity Regional Water District (UTRWD) convened in Regular Session Board Meeting with President Lyle H. Dresher presiding at 1:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 7, 2026, at 900 N. Kealy Avenue, Lewisville, TX 75057.

2. Roll Call and Confirm Quorum

The attendance of the Board of Directors was taken. A quorum was present for the meeting.

Board Members in Attendance:

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| Lyle Dresher, President Denton County At Large | Greg Scott, VP Justin |
| Allen McCracken, II, Treasurer Pilot Point | Kimberly Brawner, Secretary Celina |
| Brian Roberson Aubrey | Del Knowler Bartonville* |
| Glenn Barker Corinth | Kyle Pedigo Denton |
| Kevin Mercer DCFWSD #7 | Dave Nelson Double Oak |
| Robert Pegg Flower Mound | Rich Lubke Highland Village |
| Mike Fairfield Lake Cities MUA* | Aaron Russell Lewisville |
| Chris Boyd Mustang SUD | Drew Corn Northlake |
| George Dupont Prosper | Jim Bolz Sanger |

Absent:

* Excused Absent

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| Mark Pape Copper Canyon* | Jody Gonzalez Denton County* |
| Orlando Sanchez Irving* | Nate Winchester Krum* |

Vacant: Argyle

Ponder

Staff and Advisors in Attendance:

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| Larry N. Patterson, Executive Director | Matthew Boyle, General Counsel |
| Nancy Tam, Assistant to Executive Director | Jan Morris, Chief Administrative Officer |
| Jody Zabolio, Chief Operating Officer | Ronna Hartt, Dir. of Water Resources & Planning |
| Lester Harris, Chief Financial Officer | Adam McKnight, Dir. Engineering & Construction |
| Jason Pierce, Director of Gov. Affairs | Stephanie Noel, Finance & Investment Mgr. |
| Ed Motley, LRH Program Manager | Ben Hodges, Director of Operations |
| Dustin Wright, Mgr. of IT Services | Joe Thompson, Operations Supervisor |
| Marcos Zepeda, Network Systems Admin. | Aaron Legako, Wastewater Operator III |
| Rebecca Zabolio, Communication Specialist | Doug Janeway, LRH Reservoir Manager |
| Nick Bulaich, Financial Advisor | Rhonda Himley, Executive Admin. Assistant |

Others in Attendance:

John Bassler, TCCI
Nicole Conner, Kennedy Jenks

Jordan Muell, Plummer Associates
Charles Kreidler, City of Aubrey

3. Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Drew Corn. The Invocation was delivered by Lyle Dresher.

4. Oath of Office

None.

5. Opening Remarks:

- A. President's Remarks concerning current events, conduct of meeting, posted agenda items, committee assignments, and related matters.

President Dresher highlighted the S&P Global Ratings update which will positively impact the District's long-term debt financing.

1:09 p.m. George Dupont arrived.

- B. Executive Director's Status Report about legislation and regulatory matters, budgets, current projects, and on-going programs of the District, including: the Regional Water System, Water Resource Development, Regional Water Reclamation Systems, Watershed Protection, and Water Conservation.

- The current U.S. Drought Monitor shows slight improvement in the Texas drought conditions, but is worse than the same time last year. The Lake Chapman area hasn't received the typical amount of rainfall which is of some concern. We are monitoring it closely and coordinating transfers with Irving and North Texas to use water wisely.
- Customer water demand continues its upward trend with varying weather conditions contributing to daily fluctuation.
- The 2025 Consumer Confidence Report and the May 2026 Lake Ralph Hall Project Update were distributed.
- TWDB is currently accepting applications for the Water Supply and Infrastructure Grant Program that is available to many of our members with approximately \$1 billion in available funding.

- C. Presentations about awards, recognitions, achievements, etc. of the District, Board Members, Member Entities, and Staff.

Jody Zabolio recognized Ben Hodges, Joe Thompson, and Aaron Legako on their recent awards honoring water and wastewater professionals for their dedication, leadership, and commitment to excellence.

6. Visitor Comments Concerning Agenda Topics.

None.



CONSENT AGENDA

Rich Lubke made the motion to approve the Consent Agenda Items 7 through 9 as presented. Seconded by Glenn Barker The *Roll Call Vote* was 17 Yes, 0 No, 4 Absent (Brawner, Gonzalez, Sanchez, Winchester). Motion carried. The approved Consent Agenda items were:

- 7. Adopt Minutes of April 2, 2026 Board Meeting.
- 8. Accept Monthly Management Report for the period ended March 31, 2026.
- 9. Accept Quarterly Investment Report for the period ended March 31, 2026.

ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION

- 10. Consider adoption of Resolution of Appreciation for Michael Anderson for his distinguished service as a Member of the Upper Trinity Regional Water District Board of Directors.

For almost ten years, Michael Anderson served on the Board of Directors representing the Town of Ponder. He participated on three committees: Ad Hoc Wastewater Advisory, Audit and Water Supply. The District appreciates Michael's commitment to the District's regional programs.

After Vice President Scott read the resolution, **Drew Corn made the motion to approve the Resolution of Appreciation as presented. Seconded by Allen McCracken.** The *Roll Call Vote* was 17 Yes, 0 No, 4 Absent. (Brawner, Gonzalez, Sanchez, Winchester). Motion carried.

- 11. Consider adoption of a Resolution authorizing Staff to file an application with Texas Water Development Board for financial assistance in support of the proposed Regional Treated Water System (RTWS) Northeast Pipeline, Phase 4 Project.

The District submitted an abridged application in January 2026 for the State Water Implementation Fund for Texas (SWIFT) administered by the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB). The abridged application was for approximately \$184 million in Board Participation for the Northeast Pipeline, Phase 4 Project in the Regional Treated Water System. In April, the TWDB approved the District to proceed to the full application process.

Staff recommended the Board adopt the Resolution authorizing the filing of an application with the Texas Water Development Board for financial assistance in support of the proposed Northeast Pipeline, Phase 4 Project in the Regional Treated Water System. **Del Knowler made the motion to approve Item 11 as presented. Seconded by Brian Roberson.** The Weighted Capital Vote was 42 Yes, 0 No, 7 Absent (Brawner, Sanchez, Winchester). Motion carried.

| Entity | Eligible Weighted Votes | Yes | No | Abstain | Absent |
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| ARGYLE – (Vacant, 1 vote) | | | | | |
| AUBREY – Roberson | 1 | 1 | | | |
| BARTONVILLE – Knowler | 1 | 1 | | | |
| CELINA – Brawner | 4 | | | | 4 |
| CORINTH – Barker | 3 | 3 | | | |
| DENTON (city) – Pedigo | 2 | 2 | | | |



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| DENTON COUNTY AT LARGE – Dresher | 1 | 1 | | | |
| DCFWSO #7 – Mercer | 2 | 2 | | | |
| DOUBLE OAK – Nelson | 1 | 1 | | | |
| FLOWER MOUND – Pegg | 9 | 9 | | | |
| HIGHLAND VILLAGE – Lubke | 2 | 2 | | | |
| IRVING – Sanchez | 2 | | | | 2 |
| JUSTIN – Scott | 1 | 1 | | | |
| KRUM – Winchester | 1 | | | | 1 |
| LAKE CITIES MUA – Fairfield | 2 | 2 | | | |
| LEWISVILLE – Russell | 3 | 3 | | | |
| MUSTANG SUD – Boyd | 7 | 7 | | | |
| NORTHLAKE – Corn | 3 | 3 | | | |
| PILOT POINT – McCracken | 1 | 1 | | | |
| PONDER – (Vacant, 1 vote) | | | | | |
| PROSPER – Dupont | 2 | 2 | | | |
| SANGER – Bolz | 1 | 1 | | | |
| TOTAL: | 49 | 42 | | | 7 |

12. Consider Resolution authorizing acceptance of completed work, approval of final change order, final payment, and release of retainage for construction contract awarded to Urban Infraconstruction, LLC for Lift Station Improvements Project.

All work has been completed in accordance with the plans, specifications, and change orders, except for minor punch list items. Staff recommended the Board approve Resolution authorizing acceptance of completed work, approval of final Change Order No. 6 and final payment of \$213,380.26, including release of retainage to Urban Infraconstruction, LLC, pending completion of minor punch list items.

Kevin Mercer made the motion to approve Agenda Item 12 as presented. Seconded by Dave Nelson. The *Weighted Capital Vote* was 42 Yes, 0 No, 7 Absent (Brawner, Sanchez, Winchester). Motion carried.

| Entity | Eligible Weighted Votes | Yes | No | Abstain | Absent |
|----------------------------------|-------------------------|-----|----|---------|--------|
| ARGYLE – (Vacant, 1 vote) | | | | | |
| AUBREY – Roberson | 1 | 1 | | | |
| BARTONVILLE – Knowler | 1 | 1 | | | |
| CELINA – Brawner | 4 | | | | 4 |
| CORINTH – Barker | 3 | 3 | | | |
| DENTON (city) – Pedigo | 2 | 2 | | | |
| DENTON COUNTY AT LARGE – Dresher | 1 | 1 | | | |
| DCFWSO #7 – Mercer | 2 | 2 | | | |
| DOUBLE OAK – Nelson | 1 | 1 | | | |
| FLOWER MOUND – Pegg | 9 | 9 | | | |
| HIGHLAND VILLAGE – Lubke | 2 | 2 | | | |
| IRVING – Sanchez | 2 | | | | 2 |
| JUSTIN – Scott | 1 | 1 | | | |
| KRUM – Winchester | 1 | | | | 1 |
| LAKE CITIES MUA – Fairfield | 2 | 2 | | | |
| LEWISVILLE – Russell | 3 | 3 | | | |

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| MUSTANG SUD – Boyd | 7 | 7 | | | |
| NORTHLAKE – Corn | 3 | 3 | | | |
| PILOT POINT – McCracken | 1 | 1 | | | |
| PONDER – (Vacant, 1 vote) | | | | | |
| PROSPER – Dupont | 2 | 2 | | | |
| SANGER – Bolz | 1 | 1 | | | |
| TOTAL: | 49 | 42 | | | 7 |

Kimberly Brawner arrived by video call at 1:38 p.m.

13. Lake Ralph Hall Agenda Items: (Weighted Capital Vote)

- A. Consider approval of Amendment No. 7 to an existing Construction Manager at Risk (CMAR) contract with Archer Western Construction, LLC and Progressive Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) No. 5 for an Early Work Package relating to construction of the Lake Ralph Hall Administration Office and Visitor Center.

Archer Western advised that issuing an Early Work Package for the Visitor Center with the following scope will offer schedule and possible cost benefits: Temporary Facilities; Material Testing; Storm Water Permit & Maintenance; Site Utilities (water, wastewater, electrical, and storm water); and Paving (roads and trails).

Staff recommended the Board of Directors approve Amendment No. 7 and Guaranteed Maximum Price No. 5 to an existing CMAR Contract with Archer Western Construction, LLC, not to exceed \$15,423,969.79, for an Early Work Package for the Lake Ralph Hall Lake Administration Office and Visitor Center.

- B. Consider Resolution authorizing acceptance of completed work, approval of final change order, and release of retainage for the Lake Ralph Hall Trail Head Project with MTL Construction, LLC.

All work associated with the Lake Ralph Hall Trail Head contract has been completed in accordance with the plans and specifications.

Staff recommended the Board approve a Resolution for acceptance of the completed work for the Lake Ralph Hall Trail Head Project with MTL Construction, LLC, and release retainage and make final payment in the amount of \$29,313.68.

- C. Consider approval of Task Order No. 5 to an existing Contract with Jacobs Engineering Group, Inc. for dam safety and continued construction phase support for the Lake Ralph Hall Balancing Reservoir.

The Balancing Reservoir will have regulatory monitoring and reporting in the first year of operation, as required by TCEQ Dam Safety. Task Order No. 5 provides these services along with final construction administration and inspection services.

Staff recommended the Board of Directors approve Task Order No. 5 to an existing Contract with Jacobs Engineering Group, Inc. for dam safety and continued construction phase support for the Lake Ralph Hall Balancing Reservoir for a fee not to exceed \$ 186,808.00.



Rich Lubke made the motion to approve Agenda Items 13 A-C as presented. Seconded by Allen McCracken. The *Weighted Capital Vote* was 46 Yes, 0 No, 3 Absent (Sanchez, Winchester). Motion carried.

| Entity | Eligible Weighted Votes | Yes | No | Abstain | Absent |
|----------------------------------|-------------------------|-----------|----|---------|----------|
| ARGYLE – (Vacant, 1 vote) | | | | | |
| AUBREY – Roberson | 1 | 1 | | | |
| BARTONVILLE – Knowler | 1 | 1 | | | |
| CELINA – Brawner | 4 | 4 | | | |
| CORINTH – Barker | 3 | 3 | | | |
| DENTON (city) – Pedigo | 2 | 2 | | | |
| DENTON COUNTY AT LARGE – Dresher | 1 | 1 | | | |
| DCFWSD #7 – Mercer | 2 | 2 | | | |
| DOUBLE OAK – Nelson | 1 | 1 | | | |
| FLOWER MOUND – Pegg | 9 | 9 | | | |
| HIGHLAND VILLAGE – Lubke | 2 | 2 | | | |
| IRVING – Sanchez | 2 | | | | 2 |
| JUSTIN – Scott | 1 | 1 | | | |
| KRUM – Winchester | 1 | | | | 1 |
| LAKE CITIES MUA – Fairfield | 2 | 2 | | | |
| LEWISVILLE – Russell | 3 | 3 | | | |
| MUSTANG SUD – Boyd | 7 | 7 | | | |
| NORTHLAKE – Corn | 3 | 3 | | | |
| PILOT POINT – McCracken | 1 | 1 | | | |
| PONDER – (Vacant, 1 vote) | | | | | |
| PROSPER – Dupont | 2 | 2 | | | |
| SANGER – Bolz | 1 | 1 | | | |
| TOTAL: | 49 | 46 | | | 3 |

- Receive report of Nominating Committee and conduct election of Officers for the year beginning June 1, 2026.

President Lyle Dresher appointed the following Board Members to serve on the Nominating Committee: Brian Roberson (Chair), Aubrey; Aaron Russell, Lewisville; Mike Fairfield, Lake Cities MUA; Orlando Sanchez, Irving; and Jim Bolz, Sanger, and to recommend a slate of Officers for the upcoming year that begins in June.

The Nominating Committee deliberated and recommended the following:

- President:** Lyle Dresher, Denton County At-Large
- Vice President:** Greg Scott, City of Justin
- Treasurer:** Kimberly Brawner, City of Celina
- Secretary:** Dave Nelson, Town of Double Oak

Brian Roberson made the motion to approve the new Officers as recommended by the Nominating Committee. Seconded by Mike Fairfield. The *Roll Call Vote* was 18 Yes, 0 No, 3 Absent (Gonzalez, Sanchez, Winchester). Motion Carried.



15. Executive Session concerning granting or acquisition of easements, rights-of-way and other property including leases for Water Resource Development or for Regional Treated Water System, pursuant to Texas Government Code, Section 551.072, and, according to location maps of the projects available in the District Office; and regarding water rights and related permits; for discussion of security matters pursuant to Texas Government Code, Section 551.076, and, regarding General Counsel and Executive Director's review of legal implications for the relocation of a District water pipeline; and, regarding potential lawsuit related to construction projects; and, meeting with legal counsel pursuant to Texas Government Code, Section 551.071, relative to a matter in which the attorney is required under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct to convey advice in Executive Session including but not limited to construction contracts and projects related to Lake Ralph Hall.

The Executive Session began at 1:54 p.m.
The Board returned to open session at 2:08 p.m.

16. Consider action on property matters, some of which may have been discussed in Executive Session. **(Weighted Capital Vote)**

None.

17. Consider action on Lake Ralph Hall construction change orders, some of which may have been discussed in Executive Session. **(Weighted Capital Vote)**

The Board of Directors received report on Lake Ralph Hall Construction Change Orders. No Board action taken.

18. Review potential agenda items, activities, and announcements for future Board meetings.

- Several Lake Ralph Hall field trips are scheduled for May and June.
- Members' Breakfast Meeting to be held in the Event Center on July 22nd. More information to follow.
- Next scheduled Board Meeting is June 4, 2026.


19. Visitor Comments Concerning Non-Agenda Topics.

None.

20. Adjournment.

There being no further business, President Drescher adjourned the meeting at 2:11 P.M.

Recorded by: 
Nancy T. Tam, Assistant Secretary, Board of Directors

Certified by: 
Kimberly Brawner, Secretary, Board of Directors

