



Members Present: Edwina Lane, Jim Atchison, Clay Barnett, Gayla Hawkins, Newt Cunningham, Scott Neu (Zoom), John Roane (Zoom), Mary Jo Dollar (Zoom)

Members Absent: Brian Eaves, Nathan Caldwell, Allen Sanderson, James Thorne, Lisa Bellows

A. Call to Order & Declaration of a Quorum

President Edwina Lane called the meeting to order at 5:28 p.m. and recognized a quorum.

B. Invocation and Pledges

Jim Atchison provided the invocation and Gayla Hawkins led the pledges.

C. Welcome Guests

Guests included: Eric Bridges, Mindi Jones, Judy Fullylove, Beth Eggar, Miranda Harp, Holly Booth, Rayleen Bingham, Sophia Pedraza, Christen Chaffin, Alexis Taylor-Baker

D. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

E. Induct New Governing Board Member:

Mayor Pro Tem Mary Jo Dollar (City of Gainesville) was inducted to the Governing Board.

F. Executive Director's Report

Sophia Pedraza, Housing Programs Supervisor and Christen Chaffin, FSS & Finance Supervisor (Section 8) each gave presentations on TCOG's Family Self-Sufficiency and Homeownership Programs. Eric Bridges followed with updates on new building tenants, our two Americorps Seniors Programs and changes in service provision in our AAA due to unanticipated reductions in funding.

G. Approval of Minutes

Clay Barnett made a motion to accept the meeting minutes for the May 15, 2025 meeting. Jim Atchison seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

H. Consent

A motion was made by Jim Atchison to (1) ratify the FY 2024 Community Services Block Grant State Discretionary Funds contract #6120004326 Amendment #1; (2) authorize the execution of Interlocal Agreement for 9-1-1 Public Safety Answering Point services for the period September 1, 2025 through August 31, 2027 with the City of Bonham, Fannin County, Grayson County, City of Whitesboro, City of Gainesville, and Cooke County; (3) authorize the execution of Interlocal Agreements for 9-1-1 Public Safety Point services for the period September 1, 2025 through August 31, 2027 with TCOG for our Backup and Training PSAP at TCOG; (4) authorize the execution of the contract for hotel room reservation block with Courtyard by Marriott Sherman; (5) review and amend Section 20.1. and 20.3. of TCOG's General Accounting Policies and Procedures Manual (Investment Policies). Clay Barnett seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

I. Action

1. A motion was made by Clay Barnett to ratify FY 2024 Department of Energy (DOE) contract #56240004276 Amendment #3. The motion was seconded by Jim Atchison. The motion carried unanimously.
2. A motion was made by Clay Barnett to ratify the FY 2025 Community Services Block Grant Program contract #61250004366 amendment #2. The motion was second by Gayla Hawkins. The motion carried unanimously.
3. A motion was made by Clay Barnett to elect Jim Atchison (City of Van Alstyne) to fill the Vice-President vacancy. The motion was seconded by Newt Cunningham. The motion carried with Jim Atchison abstaining.
4. A motion was may by Clay Barnett to accept the monthly Cost Pool report and financial statements. The motion was seconded by Newt Cunningham. The motion carried unanimously.

J. Presidents Report

Edwina Lane informed the Members and staff that our July meeting will need to be rescheduled. Eric will email out some alternative dates for members to respond back with their availability. She welcome Mayor Pro Tem Dollar to the Board also thanked her fellow Members for their continued support and participation and staff for their continued great work.



**TCOG Governing Board
Meeting Minutes**

Presiding Location: 1117 Gallagher Drive, Sherman, Texas
June 23, 2025

K. Adjourn

Clay Barnett made a motion to adjourn at 6:37p. Gayla Hawkins seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.