

TCOG Governing Board Meeting Minutes

Presiding Location: 1117 Gallagher Drive, Sherman, Texas September 18, 2025

Members Present: Edwina Lane, John Roane, Mary Jo Dollar, Nathan Caldwell, Lisa Bellows, Jim Atchison (Zoom), Scott Neu (Zoom)

Members Absent: Brian Eaves, Clay Barnett, Gayla Hawskins, Allen Sanderson, James Thorne, Newt Cunningham

A. Call to Order & Declaration of a Ouorum

President Edwina Lane called the meeting to order at 5:34 p.m. and recognized a quorum.

B. Invocation and Pledges

Nathan Caldwell provided the invocation and Lisa Bellows led the pledges.

C. Welcome Guests

Guests included: Eric Bridges, Mindi Jones, Sabino Botello, Miranda Harp, Beth Eggar, Judy Fullylove, Alexis Taylor-Baker, Seth Evilsizer, Rayleen Bingham, Sophia Pedraza

D. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

E. Approval of Minutes

Mary Jo Dollar made a motion to accept the meeting minutes for the August 21, 2025 meeting. John Roane seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

F Consent

1. A motion was made by Lisa Bellows to authorize submission of the TCOG Section 8 Housing Annual PHA Plan. The motion was second by Nathan Caldwell. The motion carried unanimously.

G. Action

- 1. A motion was made by Lisa Bellows to accept TCOG's Annual Financial Report for FYE 2025 as compiled and presented by the firm of Whitley Penn (Plano, TX) and authorize distribution of said Report to appropriate grantor agencies. The motion was seconded by Nathan Caldwell. The motion carried unanimously.
- 2. A motion was made by Nathan Caldwell approve submission of the FY 2026/2027 Municipal Solid Waste Regional Funding Plan and Application Resolution between the Texas Commission of Environmental Quality (TCEQ) and TCOG. The motion was seconded by Mary Jo Dollar. The motion carried unanimously.
- 3. A motion was made by Lisa Bellows to approve and incorporate the amending language to Section 13 of TCOG's General Accounting Procedures Manual (Travel Policies). The motion was seconded by John Roane. The motion carried unanimously.
- 4. A motion was made by Mary Jo Dollar to accept the monthly Cost Pool report and financial statements. The motion was seconded by Lisa Bellows. The motion carried unanimously.

H. Executive Directors Report

Mr. Bridges provided a brief update on the status of the federal appropriations process. He also highlighted the great work done by staff during the recent Death & Dying Symposium, Matter of Balance activities, and the AmeriCorps Seniors RSVP Recognition Event. He concluded by referencing the update Texoma Made 2025 Conference to be held at Austin College on November 5th.

I. Presidents Report

Edwina Lane thanked her fellow Members for their continued support and participation and staff for their continued great work.

J. Adjourn

Mary Jo Dollar made a motion to adjourn at 6:40p. John Roane seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.