

Newnan Water, Sewerage & Light Commission
Commission Meeting
 December 18, 2025

The Newnan Water, Sewerage and Light Commission met December 18, 2025 in regular session with Commission Chairman Robert Lee presiding. Commissioner Parnell Odom, Commissioner Dianne Parker, and Commission Legal Counsel Bill Stemberger were present.

Also present were Jeff Phillips, General Manager, Brandon Lovett, Director of Water & Wastewater Operations, Joni Scarbrough, Director of Administrative Services, and Mary Bajalcaliev, Executive Assistant and Recorder.

Alexis Brooks, Director of Electrical Operations & Human Resources and Commission Secretary, was absent.

The Newnan Times-Herald was absent.

Chairman Robert Lee called the meeting to order.

Acceptance of Minutes – November 21, 2025 Regular Meeting: Chairman Lee asked if all were in favor of accepting the minutes of the November 21, 2025 regular meeting. Commissioner Parker made a motion to accept the minutes. Commissioner Odom seconded the motion.

Chairman Lee turned the floor over to Jeff Phillips for the General Manager's and Directors' reports.

General Operations & Finance Report

Jeff Phillips

Financials

The financials for the previous month were favorable for the year. There will be about \$1.5M of this year's capital projects that will roll into next year. Most of these are developments that have partially started or not started yet.

Inventory/Audit

The auditing firm was on-site at the warehouse this week to conduct the annual inventory audit. Initial findings are good, as Brandon Lovett noted in his report later.

2026 Budget Draft

Jeff gave an initial report on the draft of the 2026 budget. We expect a 2% increase in revenue, but a 3% increase in expenses, mostly due to the cost of electricity.

Jeff Phillips turned the floor over to the Directors for their reports.

Electric, Human Resources, Billing, Metering & Locates:

Jeff Phillips for Alexis Brooks

Jeff Phillips gave the Electric, Human Resources, Billing, Metering & Locates report on behalf of Alexis Brooks.

Electric

Tree Trimming

Tree trimming continues out of the VC Street substation. They are working in the Temple Avenue area to Spring Street and west toward Belk Road. They will then work around Boone Drive and LaGrange Street, and later east of the downtown square toward Roscoe Road and Ishman Ballard. We expect they will be finished around March/April, when spring brings new growth.

Administrative Services

Joni Scarbrough

Community Relations

Caring Customers

The Caring Customers Advisory Committee recently met to award the final grants for this year. They voted to grant Coweta Pregnancy Services \$4,000 for a project that they detailed in their grant application. Joni noted that the Caring Customers program awarded \$25,000 in grants this year to local non-profits.

Park

LINC

We continue to meet with project managers for the PATH Foundation, the City, and other parties about the portion of the LINC path that will run along Sewell Road in front of our park. We provided the cost to for utility relocation related to the project, including options for moving the electric poles/infrastructure overhead or underground, and work on a sewer line in the area. The LINC designers had to provide their full cost estimate for the whole project this week to the city for review.

Water/Wastewater Operations & Purchasing

Brandon Lovett

Purchasing

Inventory

The annual inventory process recently took place, as Jeff noted above. There are 383,000 items in inventory, \$4.2M, and the inventory was off by \$300.

Water Treatment

Reservoirs

The reservoirs are currently at 89%, which is normal for this time of the year.

Following the Directors' reports, and with no need for an Executive Session, the meeting was adjourned.

Adjourn: With no further business to conduct, Chairman Lee asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Odom made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Parker seconded the motion.

Secretary

Chair

Commissioner

Commissioner