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Newly Elected ATCOG Executive Committee Members

TEXARKANA, Texas — The Ark-Tex Council of Governments (ATCOG) Board of Directors elected three Directors to serve on the ATCOG Executive Committee, who began their terms Oct. 1, 2026.

DeKalb Mayor Lowell Walker, along with Mount Pleasant Mayor Wesley Lyon II and Dana Reeves of Franklin County Water District, will serve a two-year term on the committee. Together, the three members will help guide the organization's efforts to address regional priorities and support local governments across Northeast Texas and Miller County, Arkansas.

"We're pleased to welcome Mayor Walker, Mayor Lyon and Dana Reeves to the Executive Committee," said Mary Beth Rudel, ATCOG Executive Director. " Working alongside fellow Executive Committee members, their diverse perspectives will help strengthen regional cooperation and guide decisions that benefit all of the communities we serve."

The Executive Committee consists of 16 members elected from ATCOG's Board of Directors, including a president, vice president, secretary, treasurer and 12 additional members. The committee is responsible for implementing policies established by the Board of Directors and normally meets monthly to conduct council business.

The three new members join the committee under the leadership of Morris County Judge Doug Reeder, who assumed the role of ATCOG board president Oct. 1.

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Photo Captions:
Photo 1: DeKalb Mayor Lowell Walker, newly elected member of the Ark-Tex Council of Governments Executive Committee.
Photo 2: Mount Pleasant Mayor Wesley Lyon II, newly elected member of the Ark-Tex Council of Governments Executive Committee.
Photo 3: Dana Reeves of Franklin County Water District, newly elected member of the Ark-Tex Council of Governments Executive Committee.

About Ark-Tex Council of Governments
The Ark-Tex Council of Governments is a regional planning commission dedicated to fostering collaboration among local governments, enhancing economic development, and improving the quality of life in the Ark-Tex region.