

ATHENS MUNICIPAL WATER AUTHORITY
February 13, 2019

The Board of Directors of the Athens Municipal Water Authority ("AMWA" or "Authority") met in Regular Session on Wednesday, February 13, 2019, 8:00 a.m. at the Athens Municipal Water Authority Headquarters, with the following members present, to-wit:

Mike Peek, President
Ed Gatlin, Vice-President
Don Foster, Secretary
Milburn Chaney, Board Member
Frank Lunceford, Board Member

others present: Bill Casey, AMWA Executive Director; Martin Bennett, AMWA Attorney; Beth McConnell, Office Manager

guests of note: Randy Williams, City of Athens Utility Director; David Hopkins, Smith, Lambricht & Associates;

constituting a quorum at which time the following proceedings were enacted to wit:

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 a.m. by President Peek

DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

No conflicts of interest were declared.

OPPORTUNITY FOR CITIZENS TO EXPRESS ITEMS OF CONCERN

Mr. Jerry Henry, of Double Oaks, spoke regarding his opinion that the Board should not raise Lake fees and that a light restriction ordinance was needed.

Mrs. Carol Driscoll, of Timber Lake Estates, also spoke regarding her opinion that the Board should not raise Lake fees.

Mr. Mark Carroll, of P A Taylor, also spoke regarding his opinion that the Board should not raise Lake fees and that a light restriction ordinance was needed.

Mr. Gary Staats, of Perryman Point, also spoke regarding his opinion that the Board should not raise Lake fees. He also stated that any budget that the Authority sets should include an allocation for aquatic vegetation management.

Dr. Marc Abadie, of Oakwood, also spoke in regards to Lake fees. He also believes that Lake residents should not be 100% responsible for funding the Lake Patrol/Inspector position.

CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Director Foster, seconded by Director Chaney, to approve the minutes of the December 12, 2018, Regular Session meeting. This motion carried unanimously

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Director Gatlin presented the financial statements.

Director Gatlin presented the monthly bills for payment. A motion was made by Director Gatlin, seconded by Director Lunceford, for payment of those bills. This motion carried unanimously.

PRESENTATION OF ANNUAL AUDIT FOR 2017-18 FISCAL YEAR (SMITH, LAMBRIGHT & ASSOCIATES)

Mr. David Hopkins, of Smith, Lambright & Associates, presented the 2017-18 fiscal year audit to the Board.

DISCUSS AND ACT UPON APPROVAL OF THE 2017-18 FISCAL YEAR AUDIT

A motion was made by Director Gatlin, seconded by Director Lunceford, to accept the findings of Smith, Lambright & Associates in the 2017-18 fiscal year audit. This motion carried unanimously.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ANNUAL FEE ADJUSTMENT TO LAKE ATHENS SERVICES FEES

A motion was made by Director Lunceford, seconded by Director Chaney, to not adjust Lake service fees for the 2019 year. This motion carried unanimously.

PRESENTATION BY RICK ROLLOW REGARDING LIGHTING RESTRICTIONS ON THE 448

Mr. Rick Rollow, of P A Taylor subdivision, stated that he is worried about "light pollution" from all docks over 50' in length being required to have a light at the furthest most point. His solution is to limit the wattage of lights to 15 watts or solar lights to 10 lumens. He also would like "barn lights" on the 448 to have a lighting shield. He stated that he has a petition signed by 36 residents exclaiming their support of these restrictions.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER RULES & REGULATIONS GOVERNING LAKE ATHENS RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING LIGHTING RESTRICTIONS ON THE 448 MSL, AS PRESENTED BY RICK ROLLOW

Lake resident Rick Rollow gave a presentation regarding restrictions he would like to see on lighting on AMWA property. These restrictions include lighting shields for pole lights, and boathouse lights that do not exceed 15 watts or 10 lumens.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER RULES & REGULATIONS GOVERNING LAKE ATHENS CHANGES REGARDING LIGHTING ON TH 448 MSL, AS PRESENTED BY RICK ROLLOW

A motion was made by Director Gatlin, seconded by Director Chaney, to table this item to a future agenda. This motion carried unanimously

DISCUSS 5/10 YEAR AUTHORITY WATER DEVELOPMENT PLAN

Executive Director Casey explained that this item will be on every agenda, as we work through a water plan for the Authority.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

Executive Director Casey gave his report as Executive Director.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: PURSUANT TO THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT, CHAPTER 551, TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE: SECTION 551.072 – DELIBERATIONS REGARDING THE PURCHASE, EXCHANGE, LEASE OR REAL VALUE OF PROPERTY – SUNSET PENINSULA

A motion was made by Director Gatlin, seconded by Director Lunceford, to enter into Executive Session at 8:45 AM A.M. This motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Director Gatlin, seconded by Director Lunceford, to return from Executive Session at 9:02 A.M. This motion carried unanimously.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ACTION RESULTING FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION: PURSUANT TO THE OPENMEETINGS ACT, CHAPTER 551, TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE: SECTION 551.072 – DELIBERATIONS REGARDING THE PURCHASE, EXCHANGE, LEASE OR REAL VALUE OF PROPERTY – SUNSET PENINSULA

A motion was made by President Peek, seconded by Director Chaney, to declare the land known as Sunset Peninsula to be surplus, under Texas Water Code section 49.226. This motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURN

A motion was made by Director Gatlin, seconded by President Peek, to adjourn the meeting at 9:03 A.M.

PASSED AND APPROVED on this 13th day of March, 2019.

Mike Peek, President

ATTEST:

Donald A. Foster, Secretary