The Board of Directors of the Athens Municipal Water Authority ("AMWA" or "Authority") met in Regular Session on Wednesday, March 14, 2018, 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
Milburn Chaney, Board Member

others present: Bill Casey, AMWA Executive Director; Martin Bennett, AMWA Attorney; John Hofker, AMWA Interim Office Manager;

guests of note: Monte Montgomery, City of Athens Mayor; Randy Williams, City of Athens; Ryan Adams, City of Athens;

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

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 8:03 a.m. by President Peek

DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

No conflicts of interest were declared.

OPPORTUNITY FOR CITIZENS TO EXPRESS ITEMS OF CONCERN

Mayor Monte Montgomery thanked AMWA for their cooperation with upcoming water projects.

Mr. Mark Carroll stated he appreciated action on AMWA rule changes and asked to be put on next month’s agenda so he could address further possible rule changes.

Gary Penn mentioned concerns about invasive species and checking boats before entering the water.

Todd Garrett stated he was working with Mayor Montgomery and Mike Peek to limit fishing tournaments.

Stan Taylor thanked the City and AMWA for action on dis-annexation of the Ray Property.

CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Director Gatlin, seconded by Director Chaney, to approve the February 14, 2018 Regular Session minutes and the March 5, 2018 Special Session minutes. 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 Chaney, seconded by Director Gatlin, for payment of those bills. This motion carried unanimously.

DISCUSS AND ACT UPON RESOLUTION TO THE DIS-ANNEXATION OF .26 ACRES, TRACT 2B OF FM TRIMBLE SURVEY, ABSTRACT 766

A motion was made by Director Chaney, seconded by Director Gatlin to sign the resolution approving the dis-annexation. This motion carried unanimously.
DISCUSS AND ACT UPON A REQUEST FOR A VARIANCE TO THE RULES & REGULATIONS GOVERNING LAKE ATHENS, ARTICLE 2, SECTION 1, AREA OF A PIER OR BOATHOUSE, FOR PATAYLOR LOT 4 (Qualls)

Executive Director Casey explained that this homeowner had an older, enclosed boathouse in need of substantial repairs. Rather than repair the outdated structure, the homeowner was offering to replace the existing structure with an open design which would add 200 square feet and be in keeping with current rules.

Director Casey noted that replacing an enclosed boathouse with a newer, open design normally improves lake view and enhances appearance.

Director Casey also noted that the existing boathouse had an approved variance for the current size, so the board should only consider this application for an additional 200 square feet.

Executive Director Casey recommended the Board approve the variance.

A Motion was made by Director Gatlin and seconded by Director Peek. This motion carried two to one, with Director Chaney opposed.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT

Executive Director Casey gave his Executive Director and Chief of Police reports, including the water report. He noted the lift pump motor had already been replaced and AMWA was reimbursing the City of Athens for the cost.

Director Casey then addressed underdrain and filter housing repairs were going well. He noted that most of the media had already been removed and that all media would be removed to ensure a complete, thorough inspection.

Regarding the filter housing, he noted some bolts were corroded and that he and the engineers would likely move forward with one of two options. Director Casey reiterated this was an aged system but in sound condition and repairs were most likely within the existing budget.

Director Casey also stated the fence was installed, securing the dam area. He also noted the well tests were successful and a full report had been forwarded to the hydrologist for analysis.

EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO THE TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE, CHAPTER 551, SECTION 551.071: CONSULTATION WITH THE ATTORNEY OF THE AUTHORITY REGARDING PENDING LITIGATION - RUNNING/WILKINS V. CITY OF ATHENS/AMWA

Attorney Martin Bennet stated no executive session would be necessary. He noted that AMWA had been removed from litigation per judge’s order and the case was in the appeal stage so there was no action to be taken at this time. No action was taken.
ADJOURN

A motion was made by Director Gatlin, seconded by Director Chaney, to adjourn the meeting at 8:37 A.M.

PASSED AND APPROVED on this 11th day of April, 2018.

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Mike Peek, President

ATTEST:

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Donald A. Foster, Secretary
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