

ATHENS MUNICIPAL WATER AUTHORITY

August 8, 2018

The Board of Directors of the Athens Municipal Water Authority ("AMWA" or "Authority") met in Regular Session on Wednesday, August 8, 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
Frank Lunceford, Board Member

absent: Don Foster, Secretary

others present: Bill Casey, AMWA Executive Director; Martin Bennett, AMWA Attorney; Beth McConnell, Office Manager; Corey Frentress, Frentress Engineering; Tyler Hendrickson, Velvin & Weeks Consulting Engineers; Steve Kallman, SD Kallman, LP; Mike Thornhill, Thornhill Group, Inc.

guests of note: Randy Williams, 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 8:00 a.m. by President Peek

DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

No conflicts of interest were declared.

OPPORTUNITY FOR CITIZENS TO EXPRESS ITEMS OF CONCERN

Charles Akin, of Lake Front Shores subdivision, expressed frustration that TPWD still has the orange containment boom up near the public boat ramps.

CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Director Lunceford, seconded by Director Gatlin, to approve the minutes of the July 11, 2018, Regular Session meeting.

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 Chaney, for payment of those bills. This motion carried unanimously.

Director Gatlin spoke of the preliminary budget that Executive Director Casey provided to the Board and asked if there were any questions or discussion. There was none.

A motion was made by Director Gatlin, seconded by Director Lunceford, to place a public hearing concerning the 2018-19 fiscal year budget on the September 12, 2018 agenda. This motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING THE 2018-19 FISCAL YEAR TAX RATE

A motion was made by Director Chaney, seconded by Director Lunceford, to open the public hearing regarding the 2018-19 fiscal year tax rate, at 8:10 a.m. This motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Mark Carroll, of Bayshore Drive, asked if this was the public hearing concerning the expenditures for the upcoming year. Mr. Carroll was informed that the previous motion places that hearing during next month's Board meeting.

There were no other public comments.

A motion was made by Director Chaney, seconded by Director Gatlin, to close the public hearing at 8:13 a.m. This motion carried unanimously.

DISCUSS AND ADOPT A RESOLUTION SETTING THE 2018-19 FISCAL YEAR TAX RATE

A motion was made by Director Chaney, seconded by Director Gatlin, to adopt a resolution setting tax rate of fiscal year 2018-19 to the current rate of \$0.119729/\$100 valuation. This motion carried unanimously.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER AUTHORIZING THE BOARD PRESIDENT TO ENTER INTO PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENTS WITH THORNHILL GROUP, INC AND S.D. KALLMAN, L.P. FOR A GENERAL ASSESSMENT OF THE AUTHORITY'S AND CITY OF ATHENS'S WATER SYSTEM, IN PREPARATION OF POWDER RIVER WELL COMPLEX

Executive Director Casey explained the proposal and its scope of work. Directors Gatlin and Lunceford explained the meetings they have had with Thornhill Group, Inc and SD Kallman, LP regarding the Powder River Ranch well farm. Much discussion was had regarding the proposal, the water table below Powder River, and the next steps that need to be taken.

A motion was made by Director Gatlin, seconded by Director Lunceford, to authorize Executive Director Casey to execute a signed proposal with Thornhill Group, Inc, once the proposal includes only the portion of the work to be conducted by Thornhill Group, Inc, in the amount of \$25,000. 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

Justin McAfee, of Oakwood Lot 107, requested an additional 164 feet, to extend his boat slips toward shore to accommodate a longer boat. A motion was made by Director Gatlin, seconded by Director Chaney to approve this variance. This motion carried unanimously.

Delwyn Lewis, of Oakwood Lot 99, requested a variance to add a jet ski lift. A motion was made by Director Chaney, seconded by Director Gatlin, to approve this variance. This motion carried unanimously.

DISCUSS AND POTENTIALLY CONSIDER AN AMENDMENT TO THE RULES & REGULATIONS GOVERNING LAKE ATHENS, ARTICLE 26, SECTION 3 – LATE FEES (DIRECTOR CHANEY)

Director Chaney explained that he received a phone call from a Lake resident, that it was unfair for him to be charged a late fee, when he paid his services invoice on July 2, since the office was closed on the due date of Saturday, June 30.

A motion was made by Director Chaney, seconded by President Peek, to amend Article 26, Section 3 Late Fees, to include language that if June 30 fall on a Saturday, Sunday, or holiday, that the due date of the annual Lake services invoice will be extended to the following business day. Additionally, these Directors moved that the amended rule go into effect retroactively to cover the current billing year. This motion carried three to zero, with Director Lunceford abstaining.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Executive Director Casey gave his Executive Director and Chief of Police reports.

ADJOURN

A motion was made by Director Gatlin, seconded by Director Lunceford, to adjourn the meeting at 8:50 A.M.

PASSED AND APPROVED on this 12th day of September, 2018.

Mike Peek, President

ATTEST:

Donald A. Foster, Secretary

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