

ATHENS MUNICIPAL WATER AUTHORITY
AUGUST 9, 2017

The Board of Directors of the Athens Municipal Water Authority ("AMWA" or "Authority") met in Regular Session on Wednesday, August 9, 2017, 8:00 a.m. at the Athens Municipal Water Authority Headquarters, with the following members present, to-wit:

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

absent: Mike Peek, President

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

guests of note: Gary Whittle, City of Athens; Tyler Hendrickson, Velvin & Weeks Consulting Engineers

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

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 8:01 a.m. by Director Gatlin.

DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

No conflicts of interest declared.

OPPORTUNITY FOR CITIZENS TO EXPRESS ITEMS OF CONCERN

Mr. Mark Carroll, of P A Taylor subdivision, spoke again on the supposed issue with the boathouse that had been constructed next door.

Mrs. Rita Garrett, of Oakwood subdivision, also spoke on the supposed issue with the boathouse constructed in P A Taylor.

Mr. Kevin Sutherlin, of P A Taylor subdivision, spoke regarding his side of the supposed issue with the boathouse that he had constructed.

CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Director Foster, and seconded by Director Lunceford to accept the minutes of the July 12, 2017 Regular Session and the minutes of the July 26, 2017 Special Session Board Meetings, as presented. 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 Foster and seconded by Director Chaney for payment of those bills. This motion carried unanimously.

The Board of Directors and Executive Director Casey discussed the second budget proposal presented by staff.

A motion was made by Director Lunceford, seconded by Director Foster, to have a public hearing concerning the 2017-18 fiscal year budget at the September 13, 2017, Board meeting. This motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Director Chaney, seconded by Director Foster, to renew the certificate of deposit that matures on September 11, 2017, for three years at Prosperity Bank. This motion carried unanimously.

Executive Director Casey presented a budget adjustment for the 2016-17 fiscal year, in the amount of \$5,520, in order to repair the piers at the public boat ramp. A motion was made by Director Chaney, seconded by Director Lunceford, to accept the budget adjustment and repair the public boat ramp piers. This motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING THE 2017-18 FISCAL YEAR TAX RATE

A motion was made by Director Gatlin, seconded by Director Foster to open the public hearing at 8:18 A.M. This motion carried unanimously.

Office Manager McConnell, explained that the proposed tax rate would remain unchanged from the previous year.

No citizen wished to comment publicly.

A motion was made by Director Gatlin, seconded by Director Foster, to close the public hearing at 8:20 A.M. This motion carried unanimously.

DISCUSS AND ADOPT A RESOLUTION SETTING THE 2017-18 FISCAL YEAR TAX RATE

A motion was made by Director Chaney, seconded by Director Foster, to adopt a resolution setting the 2017-18 fiscal year tax rate at \$0.119729/\$100 valuation. This marks no change from the current tax year. This motion carried unanimously.

DISCUSS AND AUTHORIZE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR CASEY TO COUNTERSIGN THE 2017-18 TAX COLLECTION CONTRACT WITH THE HENDERSON COUNTY TAX ASSESSOR

A motion was made by Director Chaney, seconded by Director Foster, to authorize Executive Director Casey to countersign the 2017-18 tax collection contract with the Henderson County Tax Assessor. This motion carried unanimously.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Executive Director Casey gave his Executive Director and Chief of Police reports including: the water usage report, a security system has been installed at AMWA headquarters, and the improving relationship with City of Athens staff, specifically Ryan Adams and Mike Finney.

EXECUTIVE SESSION PERSUANT TO TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE, CHAPTER 551

A motion was made by Director Foster and seconded by Director Chaney to enter into executive session for the purpose of the annual evaluation of the Executive Director of the Authority (Texas Government Code section 551.074). This motion carried unanimously and the Board of Directors entered into Executive Session at 8:25 A.M.

At 8:35 A.M., a motion was made by Director Chaney and seconded by Director Lunceford to return from Executive Session. This motion carried unanimously.

No action was taken from Executive Session.

ADJOURN

A motion was made by Director Lunceford and seconded by Director Foster to adjourn the meeting at 8:35 A.M.

PASSED AND APPROVED on this 13th day of September 2017.

Mike Peek, President

ATTEST:

Donald A. Foster, Secretary