

ATHENS MUNICIPAL WATER AUTHORITY
March 13, 2020

The Board of Directors of the Athens Municipal Water Authority ("AMWA" or "Authority") met in Regular Session on Friday, March 13, 2020, 8:00 a.m. at the Athens Municipal Water Authority Headquarters, with the following members present, to-wit:

Mike Peek, President
Frank Lunceford, Vice-President
Don Foster, Secretary
Mark Carroll, Board Member
Marty Lindsey, Board Member

others present: Ed Gatlin, AMWA Executive Director; Beth McConnell, AMWA Office Manager; Randy Williams, City of Athens; Jake Norman, Texas Parks & Wildlife; Evan Cartabiano, Texas Parks & Wildlife

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 President Peek.

DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

No conflicts of interest were declared.

OPPORTUNITY FOR CITIZENS TO EXPRESS ITEMS OF CONCERN

Larry Julian, of the South Platte subdivision, stated that he would like to see AMWA limit the number of and number of participants in fishing tournaments. He states that it is getting more difficult for kayakers with the number of boats on the water.

Todd Garrett, of Oakwood subdivision, stated that he is representing the Lake Athens Property Owner's Association. He stated that a 2019 survey of members showed that the number one complaint of Lake Athens home owners was fishing tournaments. The number two complaint was vegetation. He also stated that AMWA should limit participants in tournaments to keep trailers out of Lake Athens, in order to not introduce Salvinia and zebra mussels. Director Gatlin asked Mr. Garrett for the results of said survey. Mr. Garrett stated that the survey was informal with just a show of hands at the annual membership dinner.

CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Director Lunceford, seconded by Director Carroll, to approve the consent agenda, including:

- a. Approval of the February 14, 2020 Regular Session minutes
- b. Approval of the statements and payment of bills

The motion carried unanimously.

**DISCUSSION WITH TEXAS PARKS & WILDLIFE DEPARTMENT INLAND FISHERIES DISTRICT 2 SUPERVISOR
REGARDING LAKE ATHENS**

Region 2 Fisheries Biologist Supervisor Jake Norman and Evan Cartabiano, both of Texas Parks and Wildlife Department, gave an update regarding Lake Athens. This update included the state of the Lake's fishery and vegetation.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ACCEPTING AMENDMENTS TO THE 2019-2020 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET

A motion was made by Director Foster, seconded by Director Lindsey, to accepting the amendments to the 2019-2020 budget as presented. This motion carried unanimously.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER QUOTES FOR SONICWALL SECURITY RENEWAL

A motion was made by Director Carroll, seconded by Director Foster, to accept the SonicWall Security renewal for 3-years from Cynergy, in the amount of \$787. This motion carried unanimously.

DISCUSS AMND CONSIDER AUTHORIZING EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO EXECUTE CLOSING DOCUMENTS WITH AQUA TEXAS INC. FOR THE SALE OF 1.57 ACRES AND A .28 ACRE SANITARY EASEMENT

A motion was made by Director Lunceford, seconded by Director Foster, to authorize Executive Director Gatlin to execute any closing documents related to the 1.57 acre sale and .28 acre sanitary easement with AQUA Texas, Inc. This motion carried unanimously.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER A RESOLUTION CANCELING THE ELECTION, SCHEDULED FOR MAY 2, 2020

Due to only minimum number of candidates necessary filing for the election, a motion was made by Director Lindsey, seconded by Director Carroll, to cancel the election scheduled for Mary 2, 2020. This motion carried unanimously.

PRESENTATION REGARDING POTENTIAL PARTNERSHIP WITH THE CITY OF ATHENS FOR A NEW GIS MAPPING TOOL

Randy Williams of the City of Athens, showed the Board of Directors some of the features and tools available to create new maps for the City of Athens, and explained what the Authority would be capable of creating.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ENTERING INTO A PARTNERSHIP TO PURCHASE AND DEVELOP A NEW GIS MAPPING TOOL WITH THE CITY OF ATHENS

A motion was made by Director Lunceford, seconded by Director Carroll, to expend up to \$10,000, in partnership with the City of Athens, to create a new mapping tool relative to the Authority's prime use and goals. This motion carried unanimously.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER AUTHORIZING S.D. KALLMAN, L.P. ENGINEERS TO SOLICIT BIDS FOR THE CAUSTIC TANK AND CONTAINMENT BASIN PROJECT

Executive Director Gatlin explained that the plans for the caustic project at the Water Treatment Plant were approximately 90% complete and the next step would be soliciting bids from contractors.

A motion was made by Director Lindsey, seconded by Director Lunceford, to authorize S.D. Kallman, L.P. to solicit bids for the caustic tank and containment basin project. This motion carried unanimously.

LAKE ATHENS RECREATION

Chief of Police Gary Dugan gave his Police and Inspection Department reports.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER AN APPLICATION FOR VARIANCE TO THE RULES & REGULATIONS GOVERNING LAKE ATHENS, ARTICLE 2, SECTION 1, AREA OF A PIER OR BOATHOUSE AND SECTION 2, LENGTH OF A PIER OR BOATHOUSE

A motion was made by Director Carroll, seconded by Director, to deny a variance to the length of a pier or boathouse for Oakwood Lot 100. This motion carried four to zero, with Director Lunceford abstaining.

A motion was made by Director Carroll, seconded by Director Foster, to table the request for a size variance for a pier or boathouse, for Oakwood Lot 100, so that the property owner can redesign their

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boathouse to be more in line with the current *Rules & Regulations Governing Lake Athens*. This motion carried four to zero, with Director Lunceford abstaining.

After much discussion, a motion was made by Director Chaney, seconded by Director Foster, to table the discussion of declaring the northern portion of Bear Creek Cove a no wake zone, until Police Chief Dugan returns. This motion carried unanimously.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

Executive Director Gatlin gave his report as Executive Director.

EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT, CHAPTER 551, TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.071 PRIVATE CONSULTATION WITH THE ATTORNEY OF THE AUTHORITY AND SECTION 551.072 DISCUSS PURCHASE, EXCHANGE, LEASE, OR VALUE OF REAL PROPERTY (SUNSET PENINSULA, 6.991 ACRES D CHERRY SURVEY ABSTRACT 135)

A motion was made by Director Lunceford, seconded by Director Foster, to enter into Executive Session at 9:11 AM. This motion carried unanimously.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ACTION RESULTING FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT, CHAPTER 551, TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.071 PRIVATE CONSULTATION WITH THE ATTORNEY OF THE AUTHORITY AND SECTION 551.072 DISCUSS PURCHASE, EXCHANGE, LEASE, OR VALUE OF REAL PROPERTY (SUNSET PENINSULA, 6.991 ACRES D CHERRY SURVEY ABSTRACT 135)

A motion was made by Director Foster, seconded by Director Lunceford, to return to regular session at 9:35 AM. This motion carried unanimously.

No action was taken.

ADJOURN

A motion was made by Director Lindsey, seconded by President Peek, to adjourn the meeting at 9:36 A.M.

PASSED AND APPROVED on this 17th day of April, 2020.

Mike Peek, President

ATTEST:

Donald A. Foster, Secretary