

REGULAR SESSION

MARCH 13, 2012

The Board of Directors of the Athens Municipal Water Authority met in Regular Session on Tuesday, March 13, 2012, 8:30 a.m. in the Council Chambers of the City of Athens with the following members present, to-wit:

Mike Stover  
Ed Gatlin  
Steve Sparkman  
Joe Whatley  
Charles Elliott

Wylie Pirkle, Executive Director  
Pam Watson, City Secretary  
Glen Herriage, Director of Utilities  
David Hopkins, Director of Finance  
Bill Magee, Lake Inspector  
Martin Bennett, A.M.W.A. Attorney

others present: Chris Weeks, Corey Frentress, Marlin Smith, Buddy Hill and other interested citizens;

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

Director Stover called the meeting to Order.

CONSIDER APPROVING THE MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 14, 2012  
REGULAR SESSION

A motion was made by Director Gatlin, seconded by Director Sparkman to approve the minutes of the February 14, 2012 Regular Session, as written. The motion carried unanimously.

DISCUSS/CONSIDER AUDIT REPORT FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING  
SEPTEMBER 30, 2011

Marlin Smith with Smith, Lambright & Associates presented the Audit Report for fiscal year ending 9/30/11, stating that the financial records are fairly presented, Athens Municipal Water Authority is in excellent financial condition and the records are well kept. A motion was made by Director Gatlin, seconded by Director Whatley to accept the Audit Report for fiscal year ending 9/30/11. The motion carried by the following vote: Ayes: Directors Gatlin, Whatley, Sparkman and Stover. Nays: None. Director Elliott abstained due to being newly appointed to the Board.

CONSIDER AN ORDER CANCELING THE MAY 12, 2012 ATHENS  
MUNICIPAL WATER AUTHORITY GENERAL ELECTION

City Secretary Pam Watson explained that the three (3) incumbents have filed with no opposition, therefore, this Order will cancel the May 12, 2012 A.M.W.A. General Election. A motion was made by Director Gatlin, seconded by Director Elliott to approve AN ORDER CANCELING THE MAY 12, 2012 ATHENS MUNICIPAL WATER AUTHORITY GENERAL ELECTION. The motion carried unanimously.

INSPECTOR'S REPORT  
A) STATUS REPORT ON LAKE ACTIVITIES

Bill Magee, Lake Inspector

- 1) Lake level is 2½ ft. low
- 2) Working on buoys

## FINANCIAL REPORT

David Hopkins, Director of Finance presented the February financials.

### DISCUSS/CONSIDER LONG TERM MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR HYDRILLIA AND OTHER VEGETATION IN LAKE ATHENS, AS REQUESTED BY GREG HISEY, PRESIDENT OF LAKE ATHENS PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION

Wylie Pirkle, Executive Director explained differences between Lake Tyler and Lake Athens. After discussion, Mr. Pirkle recommended that he appoint an Ad Hoc Committee to discuss aquatic vegetation control, with the Committee consisting of Lake Athens Management Committee Chairman Steve Sparkman, A.M.W.A. Executive Director Wylie Pirkle, City of Athens Director of Utilities Glen Herriage, Texas Parks & Wildlife Department Aquatic Vegetation Specialist, two (2) members of Lake Athens Property Homeowner's Association, one (1) Oakwood Member and one (1) At-Large Member.

Greg Hisey, President of Lake Athens Property Owners Association expressed his approval of the plan, stating that they will be happy to provide representatives for the Committee.

Karen Mondini, homeowner on Lake Athens, expressed her feelings that the Board should not wait too long to take action.

Director Elliott stated that he is more concerned with a possible invasion of zebra mussels in Lake Athens than the hydrillia issue, expressing his feelings that this Committee should also discuss future planning for zebra mussels.

## ENGINEER'S REPORT

### A) STATUS REPORT ON CURRENT AND PROPOSED PROJECTS

Corey Frentress, Velvin & Weeks Consulting Engineers

- 1) Updated on Well Projects at Water Treatment Plant and Franks Tract.

Chris Weeks, Velvin & Weeks Consulting Engineers

- 1) Updated on Filter Project, delayed but anticipate completion within one (1) month.

## EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Wylie Pirkle, Executive Director

- 1) Discussed Texas Freshwater Fisheries Center Diversion Permit, explaining that T.F.F.C. has contacted Texas Commission on Environmental Quality to attempt to receive credit for amount of water that is being returned into Lake Athens.
- 2) Discussed Drought Contingency Plan for T.F.F.C., consisting of a possible retention pond to re-circulate water or the drilling of a well. Will possibly return next month with proposal to do a test well on T.F.F.C.'s site.

## DISCUSS/CONSIDER APPOINTMENTS TO STANDING COMMITTEES:

- A) FINANCE COMMITTEE
- B) FUTURE WATER DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
- C) CONTRACTS/PROPERTY/PARTNERSHIPS COMMITTEE
- D) LAKE ATHENS MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

A motion was made by Director Gatlin, seconded by Director Whatley to appoint Ed Gatlin and Charles Elliott to serve on the Finance Committee; to appoint Joe Whatley to serve on the Future Water Development Committee; to appoint Mike Stover to serve on the Contracts/Property/Partnerships Committee; and to appoint Steve Sparkman to serve on the Lake Athens Management Committee. The motion carried unanimously.

CONSIDER PAYMENT OF STATEMENTS

A motion was made by Director Sparkman, seconded by Director Whatley to approve the payment of statements, as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

OPPORTUNITY FOR CITIZENS TO EXPRESS ITEMS OF CONCERN

Diane Staats, homeowner on Lake Athens, expressed her concerns with hydrillia and waiting until July to begin treatment.

ADJOURN

A motion was made by Director Gatlin, seconded by Director Elliott to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS THE 10<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF APRIL, 2012.

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David M. "Mike" Stover, President

ATTEST:

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Pam Watson, City Secretary