

**ATHENS MUNICIPAL WATER AUTHORITY
REGULAR SESSION
MARCH 19, 2014**

The Board of Directors of the Athens Municipal Water Authority ("AMWA") met in Regular Session on Wednesday, March 19, 2014 at 8:30 a.m. in the Council Chambers of the City of Athens with the following members present and constituting a quorum, to-wit:

Ed Gatlin
Steve Sparkman
Donald Foster
Greg Hisey
Wylie Pirkle, Executive Director
Martin Bennett, AMWA Attorney
Andy Messer, Attorney
Bill McGee, Lake Inspector

Others present were:

Pam Burton, City Manager
Glen Herriage, Director of Utilities
Tyler Hendrickson, of Velvin & Weeks Engineering
Corey Frentress, of Velvin & Weeks Engineering
Various members of the public

Director Ed Gatlin called the meeting to order.

OATH OF OFFICE TO NEW BOARD MEMBER

Oath of Office was given to new Board Member, Greg Hisey, who then signed his Oath of Office.

APPROVAL OF BOND FOR NEW BOARD MEMBER

Motion was made by Director Sparkman and seconded by Director Foster to approve the bond for new Board Member Greg Hisey. The motion was carried unanimously.

APPOINTMENT TO BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Motion was made by Director Sparkman and seconded by Director Foster, to appoint David Thomas to the Board of AMWA to serve for the place vacated by Director Joe Whatley. The motion was carried unanimously.

MINUTES

Motion was made by Director Greg Hisey and seconded by Director Sparkman, to approve the Minutes of February 11, 2014. The motion was carried unanimously.

INSPECTOR'S REPORT

Inspector Bill McGee reported that the lake was full and actually running into the overflow pipe for the lake. Also Mr. McGee is inspecting one dock construction and one dredging project at this time.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Executive Director Wylie Pirkle reported on the financials of AMWA from the reports as provided by David Hopkins, City Finance Director.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

Corey Frentress of Velvin & Weeks Engineering gave a report on the fencing project that is ongoing. Tyler Hendrickson of Velvin & Weeks gave a report on the water treatment plant and issues that may be needed to be repaired or modified.

MODIFYING AGREEMENT BETWEEN AMWA AND OAKWOOD POA

Motion was made by Director Sparkman to modify the current agreement with Oakwood Property Owners Association to extend the right of first refusal to a period of five (5) years. Motion was seconded by Director Don Foster. The motion was carried unanimously.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Executive Director Wylie Pirkle gave a report on the operations of AMWA and the need to appoint officers and new committee persons.

CITIZENS TO EXPRESS CONCERNS

No citizen undertook the opportunity to express items of concern.

EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO THE
TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.071

The Board entered into Executive Session beginning at 9:00 a.m. for the purpose of: Consultation with Attorney; (1) Consultation regarding litigation with the City of Athens, Cause No. 2013A-1145 of the 173rd Judicial District Court, and (2) Consultation regarding election matters for the May 10, 2014 election. The motion carried unanimously.

At 10:00 a.m. the Board returned to regular session.

CONSIDERATION RESULTING FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion was made by Director Gatlin to continue the mediation process with the City in an attempt to resolve and dismiss litigation with the City of Athens and to authorize legal counsel to continue those efforts. Motion was seconded by Director Foster. The motion carried unanimously.

CONSIDERATION ON PAYMENT OF STATEMENTS

Director Sparkman made a motion to pay all the bills presented to the Board, Donald Hisey seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURN

Motion was made by Director Sparkman and seconded by Director Foster seconded the motion to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously.

PASSED AND APPROVED on this 8 day of April, 2014.


STEVE SPARKMAN, President

ATTEST:


Donald Foster, Secretary