The Board of Directors of the Athens Municipal Water Authority ("AMWA") met in Regular Session on Wednesday, May 20, 2014 at 8:30 a.m. in the Council Chambers of the City of Athens with the following members present and constituting and quorum, to-wit:

   Ed Gatlin  
   Steve Sparkman  
   Donald Foster  
   David Thomas  
   Mike Peek – sworn in after beginning of meeting  

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  
   Various members of the public  

CALL TO ORDER  

Director Ed Gatlin called the meeting to order.  

RESOLUTION – ELECTION RESULTS  

Motion was made by Director Steve Sparkman to pass a Resolution that certifies the vote totals for the candidates for the May 10, 2014 General Election for the Athens Municipal Water Authority and to declare Mike Peek and Ed Gatlin as the persons who have been elected to its Board of Directors. The Motion was seconded by Donald Foster and unanimously approved.  

OATHS OF OFFICE TO NEW BOARD MEMBERS  

Oaths of Office were taken by the following Board Members who were elected on the May 10, 2014 General Election: Mike Peek and Ed Gatlin.
ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Motion was made by Ed Gatlin and seconded by David Thomas to name the following officers:

Stephen R. Sparkman – President
   Ed Gatlin – Vice President
   Donald Foster – Secretary

The Motion carried unanimously.

MINUTES

Motion was made by Steve Sparkman and seconded by Donald Foster, to approve the Minutes of the Special Session of April 24, 2014 and the Special Session of May 9, 2014. The motion was carried unanimously, with Mike Peek abstaining.

INSPECTOR’S REPORT

Inspector Bill McGee gave the inspector’s report on construction activities on Lake Athens.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Executive Director Wylie Pirkle gave the financial report based upon information prepared by David Hopkins, City Finance Director.

ENGINEER’S REPORT

Tyler Hendrickson of Velvin & Weeks Engineering gave the engineer’s report on the dam project and the riser pipe project at the water treatment plant.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT

Executive Director Wylie Pirkle gave his report concerning the committees of the Board of Directors; the status of the lake vegetation control; and the future operations of the Water Authority.

CONSIDERATION FOR PAYMENT OF STATEMENTS
Motion was made by Ed Gatlin and seconded by Steve Sparkman to pay all statements that have been presented. The Motion carried unanimously.

CITIZENS TO EXPRESS CONCERNS

The following individual citizens gave comments in support of Inspector Bill McGee: Milburn Chaney; Carlon Dowell; Bob Bushnell; Ray Morris; R. W. Ballard; Dorian Reeder; Cindy Wilkins; Ralph Hallmark; Steve McBride; Buddy Hill; Bill McGee; Jane Nettune; and Sam Whitten.

EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO THE TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.071

The Board entered into Executive Session beginning at 9:35 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 concerning terms and administration of contract with City of Athens dated July 12, 2011.

At 10:15 a.m. the Board returned to regular session.

AMWA BOARD RESOLUTION AFTER EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion was made by David Thomas to instruct legal counsel to suspend, for up to 60 days, any and all activities relating to pending litigation against the City of Athens. The matter will continue to be reviewed and considered in future Athens Municipal Water Authority Board meetings and further actions as deemed warranted, necessary or appropriate will be evaluated.

It is further resolved that the Board intends to continue to honor, abide by and continue to operate in cooperation with the City of Athens in accordance with the terms, conditions and definitions of a contractual agreement between the Athens Municipal Water Authority and City of Athens dated July 12, 2011. The Board hereby instructs the Executive Director to take necessary and appropriate actions to provide reasonable assurance of continued operations as per the terms, conditions and definitions of said agreement.

The Motion was seconded and unanimously approved.

ADJOURN

Motion was made and seconded to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously.
PASSED AND APPROVED on this 11th day of May, 2014.

STEPHEN SPARKMAN, President

ATTEST:

Donald Foster, Secretary