The Board of Directors of the Athens Municipal Water Authority met in Regular Session on Tuesday, July 17, 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
Joe Whatley
Steve Sparkman
Wylie Pirkle, Executive Director
Pam Watson, City Secretary
Glen Herriage, Director of Utilities
David Hopkins, Director of Finance
Bill Magee, Lake Inspector
Pam Burton, City Administrator

others present: Haven Cox, Buddy Hill, Sarah Conway and other interested citizens;

with the following member absent: Charles Elliott;

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

Director Stover called the meeting to Order.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

A motion was made by Director Gatlin, seconded by Director Whatley to re-elect Mike Stover as President, Ed Gatlin as Vice President and Steve Sparkman as Secretary. The motion carried unanimously.

CONSIDER APPROVING THE MINUTES OF THE JUNE 12, 2012 REGULAR SESSION

A motion was made by Director Gatlin, seconded by Director Whatley to approve the minutes of the June 12, 2012 Regular Session. The motion carried unanimously.

INSPECTOR’S REPORT

A) STATUS REPORT ON LAKE ACTIVITIES

Bill Magee, Lake Inspector

1) Lake level is 437.82 m.s.l. (over 2 ft. low)
2) Jet ski was stolen on Saturday

FINANCIAL REPORT

David Hopkins, Director of Finance, presented the June financials.

DISCUSS/CONSIDER AUTHORIZING VARIANCE TO ARTICLE 11. PUMPING OF WATER FOR DOMESTIC USE, SECTION 5. PRIVATE USE, AS REQUESTED BY SARAH AND STAN CONWAY (1682 C.R. 4825)

Sarah Conway appeared before the Board and requested a variance to allow them to continue watering their 3-acre yard for cutting and hay baling purposes. After discussion, this item was tabled.
DISCUSS/CONSIDER AUTHORIZING COLLECTIONS CONTRACT WITH HENDERSON COUNTY TAX OFFICE FOR COLLECTION OF 2012 PROPERTY TAXES

Mr. Hopkins explained that this is renewal of the same contract from the prior year, at a cost of .90 cents per parcel. A motion was made by Director Gatlin, seconded by Director Sparkman to approve the Collections Contract with Henderson County Tax Office for Collection of 2012 Property Taxes. The motion carried unanimously.

DISCUSS/CONSIDER RENEWAL OF PROPERTY/LIABILITY/WORKERS’ COMPENSATION INSURANCE

Haven Cox, Director of Human Resources, recommended renewal of A.M.W.A.’s property/liability/workers’ compensation insurance with Texas Municipal League. After discussion, a motion was made by Director Whatley, seconded by Director Gatlin to renew the property/liability/workers’ compensation insurance with Texas Municipal League. The motion carried unanimously.

DISCUSS/CONSIDER AUTHORIZING SOLUTIENT GEOSCIENCES, INC. TO PERFORM ANNUAL SOIL-SLUDGE MONITORING REQUIREMENTS AND ANNUAL SLUDGE SUMMARY REPORT

and Supplemental Agenda item:

DISCUSS/CONSIDER RENEWAL OF EXISTING WATER TREATMENT PLANT SLUDGE REGISTRATION NO. 730122 FOR 80-ACRE SITE LOCATED ON C.R. 4706

Glen Herriage, Director of Utilities, explained that this will authorize the annual soil-sludge monitoring requirements, annual sludge summary report, and renewal of the existing Water Treatment Plant Sludge Registration No. 730122 for the site on C.R. 4706, at an estimated cost not to exceed $7,074.50. After discussion, a motion was made by Director Gatlin, seconded by Director Whatley to authorize Solutient Geosciences, Inc. to perform annual soil-sludge monitoring requirements, annual sludge summary report and renew existing Water Treatment Plant Sludge Registration No. 730122, at a cost not to exceed $7,074.50. The motion carried unanimously.

DISCUSS/CONSIDER AUTHORIZING STAFF TO ADVERTISE FOR REMOVAL AND DISPOSAL OF SLUDGE

After discussion, a motion was made by Director Sparkman, seconded by Director Whatley to authorize staff to advertise for removal and disposal of sludge. The motion carried unanimously.

ENGINEER’S REPORT
A) STATUS REPORT ON CURRENT AND PROPOSED PROJECTS

Corey Frentress, Velvin & Weeks Consulting Engineers
1) Updated on Water Treatment Plant well, casing is in.
2) Monitoring wells drilled on Powder River Tract.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT

Wylie Pirkle, Executive Director
1) Should have results from Thornhill Group, Inc. on Texas Freshwater Fisheries Center wells this week.
2) Pipe has been ordered for plant, well should be online within 3-4 months, and advertising for bids to lay water well piping to the plant will be discussed at the next meeting.
3) Budget preparation will begin next week.
CONSIDER PAYMENT OF STATEMENTS

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

OPPORTUNITY FOR CITIZENS TO EXPRESS ITEMS OF CONCERN

There was no discussion.

EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO THE TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.074. PERSONNEL MATTERS; 1) EVALUATION OF EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

This item was tabled until next meeting, therefore, the Board did not enter into Executive Session.

CONSIDER ACTION RESULTING FROM DELIBERATIONS IN EXECUTIVE SESSION CONCERNING EVALUATION OF EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR.

No action was taken.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS THE 14TH DAY OF AUGUST, 2012.

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David M. “Mike” Stover, President

ATTEST:

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Pam Watson, City Secretary