REGULAR SESSION
SEPTEMBER 11, 2012

The Board of Directors of the Athens Municipal Water Authority met in Regular Session on Tuesday, September 11, 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
Charles Elliott

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

others present: Tyler Hendrickson, Buddy Hill and other interested citizens;

with the following member absent: Steve Sparkman;

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 AUGUST 14, 2012 REGULAR SESSION

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

PUBLIC HEARING CONCERNING THE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2012-2013

David Hopkins, Director of Finance, explained that this is a required public hearing concerning the budget for fiscal year 2012-2013. There was no discussion and the public hearing was closed.

CONSIDER A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2012-2013

A motion was made by Director Whatley, seconded by Director Gatlin to approve A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2012-2013. The motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING ON TAX RATE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2012-2013

Mr. Hopkins explained that the tax rate for fiscal year 2012-2013 is being set at .124673, being the same as last year. There was no discussion and the public hearing was closed.

CONSIDER A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE TAX RATE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2012-2013

A motion was made by Director Whatley, seconded by Director Gatlin to approve A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE TAX RATE OF .124673 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2012-2013. The motion carried unanimously.

INSPECTOR’S REPORT
A) STATUS REPORT ON LAKE ACTIVITIES
Bill Magee, Lake Inspector
1) Lake level is 436.38 m.s.l.
2) Boatdock under construction in Timberlake Cove.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Mr. Hopkins presented the August financials.

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

Tyler Hendrickson with Velvin & Weeks Consulting Engineers updated on the following:
1) Monitoring Wells Project
2) Water Treatment Plant Wells, ready to advertise for bids.

DISCUSS/CONSIDER APPROVING PLANS AND AUTHORIZING STAFF TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR PLANT WELL TRANSMISSION LINE AND CONTROLS

A motion was made by Director Whatley, seconded by Director Gatlin to approve plans and authorize staff to advertise for bids for Plant Well Transmission Line and Controls. The motion carried unanimously.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT

Wylie Pirkle, Executive Director updated on the following:
1) Stage 1 (Voluntary) of Drought Contingency Plan has been activated.
2) Working on Diversion Permit for Texas Freshwater Fisheries Center, met with Texas Parks & Wildlife regarding options, and they are most interested in funding the well at the Marina.
3) Working on a Scope of Work for Water Well Consultant prior to having interviews.

Director Elliott questioned how long it will take to get some of the future wells operational, expressing his concerns for taxpayers having the Drought Contingency Plan implemented upon them when water is available.

Mr. Pirkle explained that A.M.W.A. must go through the process with a Consultant to develop a plan, as there are a lot of issues to be considered.

After a lengthy discussion, Mr. Pirkle stated that A.M.W.A. has a plan in place to supply water that will provide a 100 year plan for the City of Athens. However, he stated that it will be 2-5 years before there are no more water restrictions.

CONSIDER PAYMENT OF STATEMENTS

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

OPPORTUNITY FOR CITIZENS TO EXPRESS ITEMS OF CONCERN

Herschel Grier asked that everyone remember the passing of Mary Lou Williams, widow of previous A.M.W.A. Director Don Williams.
ADJOURN

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

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS THE 9TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 2012.

David M. “Mike” Stover, President

ATTEST:

Pam Watson, City Secretary