The Board of Directors of the Athens Municipal Water Authority met in Regular Session on Tuesday, December 13, 2011, 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  
Wylie Pirkle, Executive Director  
Pam Burton, City Administrator  
Pam Watson, City Secretary  
Glen Herriage, Director of Utilities  
David Hopkins, Director of Finance  
Bill Magee, Lake Inspector

others present: Tyler Hendrickson, Chris Weeks and other interested citizens;  

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

Director Stover called the meeting to Order.

DISCUSS/CONSIDER APPOINTMENT TO A.M.W.A. BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Executive Director Wylie Pirkle formally presented Charles Elliott for appointment to the A.M.W.A. Board of Directors to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of W.C. “Chip” Perryman, III.

A motion was made by Director Gatlin, seconded by Director Sparkman to appoint Charles Elliott to serve as A.M.W.A. Director. The motion carried unanimously.

OATH OF OFFICE

City Secretary Pam Watson administered the Oath of Office to newly appointed Board of Director Charles Elliott.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

A motion was made by Director Gatlin, seconded by Director Whatley to elect Mike Stover as President. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Director Stover, seconded by Director Whatley to elect Ed Gatlin as Vice President. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Director Gatlin, seconded by Director Whatley to elect Steve Sparkman as Secretary. The motion carried unanimously.

CONSIDER APPROVING THE MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 8, 2011 REGULAR SESSION

A motion was made by Director Gatlin, seconded by Director Whatley to approve the minutes of the November 8, 2011 Regular Session, as written. The motion carried unanimously.

INSPECTOR’S REPORT
A) STATUS REPORT ON LAKE ACTIVITIES
Bill Magee, Lake Inspector
1) Lake level is 434.69 m.s.l.
2) Updated on various dredging.
3) Buoy supplies have been delivered.

DISCUSS/CONSIDER RESOLUTION AMENDING RULES AND REGULATIONS CONCERNING QUALITY OF WATER AND USE AND ENJOYMENT OF LAKE ATHENS, ARTICLE 25. FEE STRUCTURE

Mr. Pirkle explained that this Resolution will enforce the Drought Contingency Plan upon Lake Athens property owners. A motion was made by Director Gatlin, seconded by Director Sparkman to approve A RESOLUTION AMENDING RULES AND REGULATIONS CONCERNING QUALITY OF WATER AND USE AND ENJOYMENT OF LAKE ATHENS, ARTICLE 25. FEE STRUCTURE. The motion carried unanimously.

DISCUSS/CONSIDER AWARDING BIDS FOR CONSTRUCTION OF POWDER RIVER TRACT FENCING

Tyler Hendrickson, Velvin & Weeks Consulting Engineers informed the Board that three (3) bids were received for the construction of Powder River Tract fencing, recommending that the bid be awarded to low bidder, Atlas Excavation, at a total cost of $36,700. After discussion, a motion was made by Director Whatley, seconded by Director Sparkman to award the bid for construction of Powder River Tract fencing to Atlas Excavation at a total cost of $36,700. The motion carried unanimously.

DISCUSS/CONSIDER AUTHORIZING STAFF TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS FOR PRODUCTION WELLS AT WATER TREATMENT PLANT, POWDER RIVER RANCH TRACT AND FRANKS TRACT

Mr. Pirkle reviewed the plans which will include wells at the Water Treatment Plant, Powder River Ranch Tract and Franks Tract. After discussion, a motion was made by Director Gatlin, seconded by Director Whatley to authorize staff to advertise for bids for production wells at Water Treatment Plant, Powder River Ranch Tract and Franks Tract. The motion carried unanimously.

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

Chris Weeks, Velvin & Weeks Consulting Engineers
1) Updated on Filter Rehab Project.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT

Wylie Pirkle, Executive Director
1) Discussed proposed revision of Code of Ethics Policy.
2) Discussed letter that will be mailed to Lake Athens Property Owners concerning enforcement of the Drought Contingency Plan, as prepared by A.M.W.A Attorney Martin Bennett.
3) Explained that vegetation control is currently budgeted, however, he recommended that no action be taken this year due to the drought and low Lake levels.
4) Discussed concerns with Texas Freshwater Fisheries Center and water that is being returned to Lake Athens, explaining that A.M.W.A. has to determine how to get credits back.

CONSIDER PAYMENT OF STATEMENTS
A motion was made by Director Sparkman, seconded by Director Gatlin to approve the payment of statements, as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

OPPORTUNITY FOR CITIZENS TO EXPRESS ITEMS OF CONCERN

1. Hershel Greer, Lake Athens Property Owner
   Expressed his feelings that he would like to see A.M.W.A. adopt a Vegetation Maintenance and Management Policy.

2. A concerned citizen suggested that Lake Athens property owners be allowed to contribute to the fund for Vegetation Maintenance.

ADJOURN

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

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS THE 10TH DAY OF JANUARY, 2012.

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A.M.W.A. President

ATTEST:

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Pam Watson, City Secretary