# ATHENS MUNICIPAL WATER AUTHORITY March 12, 2021

The Board of Directors of the Athens Municipal Water Authority ("AMWA" or "Authority") met in Regular Session on Friday, March 12, 2021, 8:00 a.m. at the Authority's offices, 5302 FM 2495, Athens, Texas:

Mike Peek, President
Frank Lunceford, Vice-President
Don Foster, Secretary
Marty Lindsey, Board Member
Mark Carroll, Board Member

others present: Ed Gatlin, AMWA Executive Director; Martin Bennett, Authority Counsel; Beth McConnell, AMWA Office Manager; Gary Dugan, AMWA Chief of Police; Randy Williams, City of Athens Utility Director

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

# **CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 A.M. by President Peek.

### **DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

No conflicts of interest were declared.

### OPPORTUNITY FOR CITIZENS TO EXPRESS ITEMS OF CONCERN

Ken & Elizabeth Crowe, of Crowe Ranch, spoke regarding the Board decision to remove the maximum 448 msl ingress/egress and for residents with more than 500 linear feet to pay for all linear footage. Mr. Crowe stated that this ranch has been in his family for over 90 years. In fact, the farm was not built on the Lake, the Lake was built on the farm. The Crowes feel that since they have agricultural exemptions on their property, that the Authority should also have a similar exemption for ingress/egress fees.

Office Manager McConnell read letters expressing disappointment at the removal of the 500' maximum ingress/egress charge from Heather Cooper, of The Pointe, and Mark Cullins, of PR 7706.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

A motion was made by Director Lunceford, seconded by Director Lindsey, to approve the consent agenda containing:

- 1. Approval of the minutes of the February 12, 2021 Regular Session
- 2. Approval of the minutes of the February 26, 2021 Special Session
- 3. Approval of the minutes of the March 8, 2021 Special Session
- 4. Monthly statements and payment of bills, using online bill pay

This motion carried unanimously.

## **WATER & WATER DEVELOPMENT**

Randy Williams, City of Athens Utility Director, gave an update regarding operations at the plant and future projects.

A motion was made by Director Carroll, seconded by Foster, to approve a proposal from American Underwater Services to measure for the trash guards at the intake, for \$2,800. This motion was approved unanimously.

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# **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Executive Director Gatlin gave his monthly report.

# LAKE ATHENS RECREATION

Chief Gary Dugan gave the Inspection and Police Reports.

After discussion a motion was made by Director Carroll, seconded by Director Foster, to approve a new "sliding scale" fee schedule for Lake adjacent properties that have more than 500 linear feet at the 448 msl:

1' to 500': \$0.52 per linear foot 500' to 2,000': \$0.25 per linear foot 2,001' and above: \$0.10 per linear foot This motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Director Carroll, seconded by Director Lunceford, to table an item to consider revisions to the *Rules & Regulations Concerning the Quality of Water and Use & Enjoyment of Lake Athens.* This motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Director Carroll, seconded by Director Lunceford, to reject a variance request for Double Oaks Lot 29-16 (B. Johnston), to Article 9, Section 1, Subsection a) the size of an unenclosed pavilion. This motion carried unanimously.

### **ADJOURN**

A motion was made by Director Lindsey, seconded by Director Lunceford, to adjourn the meeting at 8:56 A.M.

PASSED AND APPROVED on this 9th day of April, 2021.

	Mike Peek, President
ATTEST:	
Donald A. Foster, Secretary	