

ATHENS MUNICIPAL WATER AUTHORITY

June 13, 2025

The Board of Directors of the Athens Municipal Water Authority ("AMWA" or "Authority") met in Regular Session on Friday, June 13, 8:00 a.m. at the Authority's offices, 5302 FM 2495, Athens, Texas:

Frank Lunceford, President
Don Foster, Vice President
Dick Grymonprez, Secretary
Marty Lindsey, Board Member
Nick Grant, Board Member

absent: none

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

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 Lunceford

DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Director Foster declared a conflict of interest in Item 6C, "Discuss and consider authorizing an officer or agent to contest, to the Neches & Trinity Valley Groundwater Conservation District, the application for groundwater well permit replated to Pine Bliss, LLC and Red Town Ranch Holdings, LLC."

OPPORTUNITY FOR CITIZENS TO EXPRESS ITEMS OF CONCERN

Tom Potthoff, of PR 7706 Lake Athens, spoke regarding the need to keep entities from removing groundwater from Henderson County, for other parts of the State. Mr. Potthoff strongly supports AMWA contesting the proposed wells by Pine Bliss LLC and Red Town Ranch Holdings LLC.

CONSENT AGENDA

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

1. Approval of the minutes of May 9, 2025, Regular Session
2. Monthly statements and payment of bills

This motion carried unanimously.

LAKE ATHENS

Chief Dugan gave the police and inspection department reports.

After discussion, no action was taken regarding a letter received from Texas Parks & Wildlife's legal department regarding Lake Athens Rules & Regulations that may differ from State law.

Officer McConnell gave an update on the TPWD Boating Access Grant.

WATER & WATER DEVELOPMENT

Randy Williams, City of Athens Director of Utilities, gave an update to operations at the water treatment plant, and Powder River Ranch.

A motion was made by Director Foster, seconded by Director Grymonprez, to approve a bid for \$2,850 from Edko LLC for tree/brush eradication at Lake Athens Dam. This motion carried unanimously.

After much discussion, a motion was made by Director Grant, seconded by Director Grymonprez, to authorize legal counsel Martin Bennett to contest the drilling applications of Pine Bliss LLC and Red Town Ranch Holdings LLC, with the Neches & Trinity Valley Groundwater Conservation District. This motion carried four to zero, with Director Foster having declared a conflict.

EXTERIOR RENOVATIONS AT LAKE ATHENS BOATHOUSE RESTAURANT

A motion was made by Director Grymonprez, seconded by Director Foster, to approve reimbursement of up to \$8,000 for design work/plans for exterior renovations at the Lake Athens Boathouse Restaurant. This motion carried unanimously.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Executive Director Gatlin gave his monthly operations report.

EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT, CHAPTER 551, TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.071 (CONSULTATION WITH THE ATTORNEY OF THE AUTHORITY) AND SECTION 551.072 (DISCUSS PURCHASE, EXCHANGE, LEASE, OR VALUE OF REAL PROPERTY, A PORTION OF ABSTRACT 468, GB LOGGINS SURVEY, TRACT 1 & ABSTRACT 1174, WT JENKINS SURVEY LOTS 1B/2)

A motion was made by Director Foster, seconded by Director Lindsey, to enter into Executive Session at 8:38 A.M. This motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Director Foster, seconded by Director Grymonprez, to return to regular session at 8:59 A.M. This motion carried unanimously.

No action was taken.

ADJOURN

A motion was made by Director Lindsey, seconded by Director Foster, to adjourn the meeting at 8:58 A.M. This motion carried unanimously.

PASSED AND APPROVED on this 11th day of July, 2025.

Frank Lunceford, President

ATTEST:

Dick Grymonprez, Secretary