Joint Work Session with Athens Municipal Water Authority Board of Directors

JUNE 10, 2020

The City Council of the City of Athens met in a Joint Work Session with Athens Municipal Water Authority Board of Directors on Wednesday, June 10, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. in the Athens Municipal Water Authority's Board Room located at 5302 FM 2495 Athens, Texas 75752.

Athens City Council

Monte Montgomery, Mayor Ed McCain, Mayor Pro Tem Aaron Smith Robert Gross

Elizabeth Borstad, City Manager Bonnie Hambrick, City Secretary

Athens Municipal Water Authority Board of Directors

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

Ed Gatlin, Athens Municipal Water Authority Executive Director Beth McConnell, Office Manager

Staff Present: Randy Williams, Utilities Director; Sissy Geddie, Administrative Assistant

others present: Sytonia Freeman, Eric Keahey

with the following Councilmember absent: Toni Clay

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

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 9:12 a.m. by Mayor Montgomery.

ENTER JOINT WORK SESSION WITH ATHENS MUNICIPAL WATER AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Athens City Council entered the Joint Work Session with Athens Municipal Water Authority Board of Directors.

DISCUSS WATER DEVELOPMENT/INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS

Mayor Montgomery voiced the following as areas for improvements:

- Disinfection point improvements for Haloacetic Acids
- Well water supplies
- Back-up power generators
- Redirecting a line to prevent flooding of properties, which includes redirecting the storage tank overflow to the bar ditch on FM 2892.

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Throughout the discussion current needs and future needs were addressed including options for the coating of pipes.

Ed Gatlin, Athens Municipal Water Authority Executive Director, stated that Athens Municipal Water Authority has budgeted for the SCADA System. Councilmember McCain stated the SCADA System will allow efficiency in operating the water plants.

Councilmember Gross expressed concern with the Lake Athens property Owner's Association (LAPO). He further stated the lake is for the citizens of Athens.

DISCUSSIONS REGARDING THREE-YEAR REVIEW OF THE AUTHORITY/CITY OF ATHENS RAW WATER CONTRACT

The City Council and the Authority's Board of Directors recognize it is time for the three-year review of the Authority/City of Athens raw water contract.

Mike Peek, Executive Director, asked that the two (2) entities establish regular scheduled meetings every six (6) months, with the next meeting to occur in December 2020.

ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 10:25 a.m.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS THE 22nd DAY OF JUNE 2020.

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	Monte Montgomery, Mayor
ATTEST:	
Bonnie Hambrick, City Secretary	