

**Cobb County-Marietta Water Authority
Minutes of Regular Meeting**

May 15, 2023 – 2:30p.m.

The regular meeting of the Cobb County-Marietta Water Authority was held on May 15, 2023, at 2:30 p.m., in the Cobb County-Marietta Water Authority's Board Room. Water Authority Board members present were James Scott, Dan Buyers, Charlie Crowder, Grif Chalfant, James Balli, and Corkey Welch. Lisa Cupid was not present for the meeting.

The meeting was called to order at 2:30 p.m. by Chair James Scott.

- 1. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance**
 - a. Mr. Tom Ginn offered the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

- 2. Approval of Minutes of Regular Meeting of April 17, 2023**
 - a. Mr. Scott asked for approval of the minutes of the Regular Meeting of April 17, 2023. Mr. Chalfant made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Mr. Crowder seconded the motion; motion passed unanimously 6/0.

- 3. Approval of Minutes of Executive Session of April 17, 2023**
 - a. Mr. Scott asked for approval of the minutes of the Executive Session of April 17, 2023. Mr. Welch made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Mr. Balli seconded the motion; motion passed unanimously 6/0.

- 4. New business**
 - a. Mr. Blackwell presented an article to discuss the City of Canton changing the name of Hickory Log Creek Reservoir to Lake Canton. Mr. Scott directed Mr. Haynie and Mr. Blackwell to compose a letter to the City of Canton to present at the June Board meeting for the Board to consider.

- 5. Financial report**
 - a. Ms. Allison Clements, Director of Finance, presented a summary of the April 30, 2023, Financial Statements (copy in file). Operating income for April was \$3,054,455 exceeding the budget expectation by \$476,769. Net income for April was \$3,740,298 exceeding the budget expectation by \$1,016,679.

- 6. Bid Award – Maner Road Water Main Replacement Project**
 - a. Mr. Blackwell referred to the memorandum in the board package (copy in file). Mr. Chalfant made a motion to approve the award of the Maner Road Water

Main Replacement to JDS Inc. of Lawrenceville, Georgia for the verified low bid of \$13,919,123. Mr. Balli seconded the motion; motion passed unanimously 6/0.

7. Old business

- a. There were no old business items to present.

8. General Manager's report

- a. Mr. Blackwell provided the following updates to the published General Manager's Report (copy in file):
 - i. Wyckoff 6 MG Clearwell Addition
 1. The project is now 424 days behind schedule according to IHC. (6 additional days).
 2. Staff met with IHC on April 13th to discuss claim notices on this project. Types of claims include testing of rock anchors; pipe cost escalation; fasteners (bolts); leak testing; unsuitable soil; concrete supply; rock excavation; supply chain delays and pipe testing.
 3. In the contract, IHC is responsible for attendant overtime construction engineering costs as well as attendant construction engineering costs beyond the contractual project completion date.
 4. Significant progress has been made in the last month towards project completion.
 5. Staff has confirmed adequate retainage is being held to cover accrued engineering costs and liquidated damages liable to IHC as of 4/30/2023.
 - ii. Blackjack Mountain 36-Inch Water Main Replacement Project
 1. Contractor, Garney continues to do project cleanup, grassing and paving.
 2. About 500 feet of 36-inch water main remains to be installed.
 3. The bore under Sope Creek at Barnes Mill Road has yet to be started due to Garney's under excavation of the bore pit and resulting demobilization of the boring sub-contractor.
 4. Garney Construction is now planning to "open cut" the crossing of Sope Creek and Merritt Road, tentatively beginning May 29, 2023, but as early as May 19, 2023
 5. Project completion is anticipated in mid-2023. The project's contractual substantial completion date was January 30, 2023.
 - iii. Wyckoff Raw Water Pipeline Improvements
 1. Contractor, Garney is working to install the final sections of pipe and has one-tie-in left on the pipeline.
 2. Permanent restoration of Poplar Street is underway and should be completed by June 2, 2023, according to Garney.
 3. The project should be substantially completed within the next 30 days with final completion by August 1st.
 - iv. Quarles Transfer Pump Station

1. Repairs to the Quarles Transfer Pump Station are substantially complete.
 2. Four transfer pumps are now available for service, as well as the backwash water pump. Only pump No.2 remains out-of-service for planned rebuild.
 3. An insurance claim has been filed to recover damage expenses.
- v. Quarles Chemical Building Replacement Project
1. CCMWA completed a corrosion control study in 2022 and concluded use of orthophosphate will significantly enhance corrosion control.
 2. Orthophosphate feed systems will be installed at CCMWA's water treatment plants beginning later this year.
 3. Additionally, it has been determined that an increase in the alkalinity of finished water at the Quarles Plants will further enhance corrosion control.
 4. Use of a chemical system to increase alkalinity was not part of the design scope of the new Quarles Chemical Building.
 5. HDR, the design engineer for the new Quarles Chemical Building, is developing a proposal to include a chemical feed system to increase alkalinity.

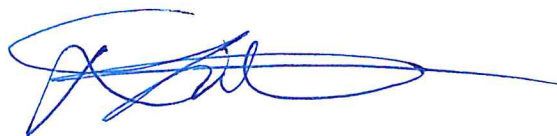
9. Executive Session

- a. Mr. Welch made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss Pending Litigation. Mr. Buyers seconded the motion; motion passed unanimously 6/0.
- b. Mr. Buyers made a motion to return to the Regular Meeting. Mr. Welch seconded the motion; motion passed unanimously 6/0

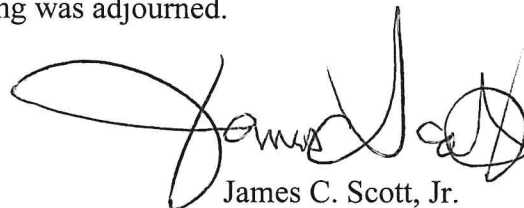
10. Legal

- a. Mr. Haynie presented an Ante Litem Notice of Claim from John Foy & Associates, P.C. for Angela Tackett (copy in file). Mr. Balli made a motion to approve a denial of claim of Angela Tackett. Mr. Welch seconded the motion; motion passed unanimously 6/0.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.



Nicole L. Zvanut
Assistant Secretary



James C. Scott, Jr.
Chair