Cobb County-Marietta Water Authority Minutes of Regular Meeting

April 15, 2019 – 2:30 p.m.

The regular meeting of the Cobb County-Marietta Water Authority was held on April 15, 2019 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, Max Bacon, James Balli, Mike Boyce, and Grif Chalfant.

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

1. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

Brandon Smith offered the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Approval of Minutes of Regular Meeting of March 18, 2019

Mr. Scott asked for approval of the minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 18, 2019. Mr. Boyce made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Mr. Buyers seconded the motion; motion passed 7/0.

3. Financial report

Ms. Allison Clements, Director of Finance, presented a summary of the Month and Quarter ended March 31, 2019 Financial Statement (copy in file). Operating income for March was \$3,092,441, which exceeded expectations by \$544,697. Net income for March was \$3,915,083, which exceeded expectations by \$1,359,235. Year to date net income was \$9,674,248, which exceeded budget expectations by \$2,263,159. Compared to 2018, year to date net income is higher by \$731,312.

4. Quarterly Investment review

Mr. Doug Gebhardt, Davenport and Company, presented the Quarterly Investment report (copy in file).

5. Presentation of 2018 Audit

Mr. Adam Fraley, Mauldin & Jenkins, presented the 2018 audit (copy in file) and stated that an unmodified (clean) opinion was issued. Mr. Fraley noted that the 2018 Audit was presented as a Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR), which exceeds the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) reporting requirements and complies with recommended Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) financial reporting practices.

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6. Bid Results - West Side Loop Section 2, 36" Water Main Replacement

Mr. Page referred to the memorandum in the Board package (copy in file). Mr. Boyce made a motion to award the West Side Loop Section 2, 36-Inch Water Main Replacement to Reynolds Construction, LLC of Fairburn, Georgia for the verified low bid of \$22,074,505.37. Mr. Buyers seconded the motion; motion passed 7/0.

7. Bid Results - Simmons Microbiological Laboratory Expansion

Mr. Page referred to the memorandum in the Board package (copy in file). Mr. Balli made a motion to award the Simmons Microbiological Laboratory Expansion to Everlast Construction Group, LLC of Alpharetta, GA for the verified low bid of \$810,237. Mr. Crowder seconded the motion; motion passed 7/0.

8. Joint Project Agreement with City of Canton

Following discussion, Mr. Buyers made a motion to approve a new Joint Project Agreement with the City of Canton for the Hickory Log Creek Reservoir Project to supersede the previous Joint Project Agreement dated May 2, 2000 and last amended August 30, 2006, subject to approval by the City of Canton and final approval by CCMWA Chair, General Manager and Attorney. Mr. Balli seconded the motion; motion passed 7/0.

9. Old business

Mr. Page gave the following update on the proposed new contract with Paulding County: Following a meeting in March with Director Laurie Ashmore, as well as the Chief Financial Officer and County Attorney for Paulding County, some minor changes were made to the draft contract being considered. It is hoped to get to a point of agreement and execution of the new contract by mid-year.

Mr. Cole Blackwell, Director of Operations, gave the following update on the 1190 Building: Plans are moving forward for use of this building. Staff coordinated an environmental assessment by an engineer within the last month. The findings were as follows:

- The gutters were clogged, causing water to seep between the CMU and brick on the exterior walls. Additional downspouts need to be added and weep holes in the brick are needed to correct the problem.
- No significant mold was found.
- A French drain is needed along the north side of the building. Staff will proceed with having these improvements made so that the building can accommodate staff by the end of the year.

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10. General Manager's report

Mr. Page provided the following updates to the published General Manager's Report (copy in file):

The Maintenance Division has completed installation of the plate settler covers, previously approved by the Board for sole-source procurement from MRI Systems, at the Wyckoff Plant. These covers will improve the efficiency of the sedimentation process by minimizing the growth of algae on the plates.

New legislation from the 2019 General Assembly session has very limited impact, if any, on CCMWA operations. One bill, HB 322, may have a minor impact on the current procurement policy, and is being reviewed by staff.

11. New business

The Pension Committee met earlier today and approved a motion to engage the services of Henssler Financial Services of Kennesaw to provide investment review services for the Pension Fund for a fixed fee of \$8,500 per year for 3 years, with an optional extension of up to 2 more years at the same cost.

The Board and staff wished Mr. Chalfant a Happy Birthday.

12. Executive Session

Mr. Balli made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss pending litigation. Mr. Bacon seconded the motion; motion passed 7/0.

Mr. Balli made a motion to return to the Regular Meeting. Mr. Buyers seconded the motion; motion passed 7/0.

13. Legal

Mr. Buyers made a motion to approve an Easement Encroachment Agreement between Cobb County-Marietta Water Authority and PFASENIOR, LLC situated in Land Lot 84 of the 20th District, 2nd Section, Cobb County, Georgia. Mr. Crowder seconded the motion; motion passed 5-0-2 with both Mr. Balli and Mr. Boyce recusing themselves.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Pat Tibbitts

Assistant Secretary

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Chair