# Cobb County-Marietta Water Authority Minutes of Regular Meeting

June 21, 2021 – 2:30 p.m.

The regular meeting of the Cobb County-Marietta Water Authority was held on June 21, 2021, 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, James Balli, Grif Chalfant, 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

Mr. Patrick Pherson offered the Invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

# 2. Approval of Minutes of Regular Meeting of May 17, 2021

Mr. Scott asked for approval of the minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 17, 2021. Mr. Buyers made a motion to approve the minutes as amended. Mr. Balli seconded the motion; motion passed 6/0.

#### 3. Financial report

Ms. Allison Clements, Director of Finance, presented a summary of the May 31, 2020 Financial Statement (copy in file). Operating income for May was \$5,372,372, which exceeded expectations by \$1,471,252. Net income for May was \$5,435,649, which exceeded expectations by \$1,401,242.

#### 4. Pension Committee report

Chair Stanley Brinkley gave the report from the May 17 meeting of the Pension Committee (copy in file).

# 5. Engineering Demand Services Task Authorization – Blackjack Mountain Tank Replacement

Mr. Balli made a motion to approve the substitution of the Pine Mountain Tank No. 1 Replacement Project in the 2021-2025 CIP with a project to replace the Blackjack Mountain Tank, and to execute a Task Authorization under the Demand Services Contract with Brown and Caldwell in the amount of \$260,619 for engineering services related to the Blackjack Mountain Tank Replacement Project. Mr. Chalfant seconded the motion; motion passed 6/0.

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## 5. Engineering Consultant for Demand Services

Mr. Welch made a motion to approve one-year extensions to the Demand Services Engineering Contracts with Hazen and Sawyer, P.C., Brown and Caldwell, P.C., Engineering Strategies, Inc., Arcadis U.S., Inc., and Jacobs Engineering Group, Inc. under the terms of the existing contracts with proposed fee increases. Mr. Crowder seconded the motion; motion passed 6/0.

#### 6. Old Business

In response to Board direction at the May 2021 meeting, Mr. Page presented renderings of the powdered activated carbon (PAC) silo proposed at the Chattahoochee Raw Water Pump Station. Staff had engaged the services of Jacobs (PAC Facility designer) to provide two perspectives of three color options for the silo. Staff prepared a one-page information piece for board review and for release to the public. Chairman Scott asked Mr. Buyers to meet with Cobb County Chairwoman Cupid and District Commissioners to discuss their preference of the options.

### 7. General Manager's report

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

- The new Quarles Withdrawal Permit was received June 1, 2021. Both Wyckoff and Quarles withdrawal permits are now set until 2031, and the Hickory Log Creek Withdrawal Permit until 2029. Staff is currently working to update the CCMWA Operating Permit to reflect recent changes at Quarles.
- As of today, the Westside Loop Phase 2 project has been placed into service, including the 16-inch connection to Douglasville-Douglas County Water and Sewer Authority.
- The Dedication Ceremony for the Quarles Plant 1 Replacement is scheduled for 10 a.m. on Friday, July 30.

#### 8. New business

There were no new business items to present.

#### 9. Executive Session

Mr. Balli made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss pending litigation, real estate and personnel. Mr. Buyers seconded the motion; motion passed 6/0.

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Mr. Buyers made a motion to return to the Regular Meeting. Mr. Welch seconded the motion; motion passed 6/0.

During Executive Session, Mr. Page informed the Board of his intent to retire at the end of the year. Chairman Scott appointed a Search Committee for a new General Manager. The committee members are: James Balli – Chair, Dan Buyers and Charlie Crowder.

## 10. Legal

There were no legal items to present.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Pat Tibbitts

**Assistant Secretary** 

James C. Scott, Jr.

Chair