Cobb County-Marietta Water Authority Minutes of Regular Meeting

March 21, 2022-2:30 p.m.

The regular meeting of the Cobb County-Marietta Water Authority was held on March 21, 2022, 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.

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

1. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

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

2. Approval of Minutes of Regular Meeting of February 21, 2022

Mr. Scott asked for approval of the minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 21, 2022. Mr. Buyers made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Mr. Crowder seconded the motion; motion passed 6/0.

3. Approval of Minutes of Executive Session of February 21, 2022

Mr. Scott asked for approval of the minutes of the Executive Session of February 21, 2022. Mr. Welch made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Mr. Chalfant seconded the motion; motion passed 6/0.

4. Financial report

Ms. Allison Clements, Director of Finance, presented a summary of the February 28, 2022 Financial Statement (copy in file). Operating income for February was \$2,515,560, which exceeded expectations by \$768,132. Net income for February was \$1,959,436, which exceeded expectations by \$125,509.

5. Pension Committee Report

Chair Stanley Brinkley gave the report from the February 21 meeting of the Pension Committee (copy in file).

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6. Bid Results - Chlorine Dioxide Generators Project

Mr. Cole Blackwell, General Manager, referred to the memorandum in the board package (copy in file). Mr. Balli made a motion to approve the award of the Chlorine Dioxide Generators Project to International Dioxide, Inc. of North Kingstown, Rhode Island at the verified low bid of \$159,960. Mr. Buyers seconded the motion; motion passed 6/0.

7. Old Business

There were no old business items to present.

8. General Manager's report

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

1) Blackjack Mountain 36-inch Water Main

Contractor, Garney utilized two crews to complete water main installation in Princeton Mill Subdivision. This completes all pipe installation east of Roswell Road. A third crew continued water main installation toward Roswell Road, near East Lake Parkway. Approximately 27,000 feet (82% of the project length) of 36-inch water main has been installed. Staff is awaiting documentation from Garney of changed conditions before further evaluation and consideration of previously submitted claims amounting to \$774,488 relative to the Sope Creek Crossing inside Indian Hills Country Club.

2) Wyckoff 6 MG Clearwell Addition

The project remains 185-days behind schedule. On February 23, 2022, a second letter was sent by CCMWA's attorney to the Surety Company of IHC Construction, LLC notifying them of construction progress concern. All failed rock anchors have been redrilled and reinstalled. To facilitate pipe installation, IHC is exploring the possibility of subcontracting pipe installation. In the contract, IHC is responsible for attendant overtime construction engineering costs as well as attendant construction engineering cost beyond the contractual project complete date.

3) Quarles Taste and Odor Process Improvements Project

An informational flier was sent to Cobb County Government on March 17, 2022. To date, construction on the site is only in preparation for future above ground construction, including the PAC silo as pictured in the flier (copy in file). Staff currently anticipates the 4-story powdered activated carbon (PAC) silo to be constructed this fall with the facility becoming operational in spring 2023.

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- 4) Callaway Road Cobb Department of Transportation (CCDOT) Pipeline Relocation CCMWA's 24-inch pipeline conflicts with a proposed pedestrian bridge as part of CCDOT's Callaway Road Sidewalks project. Relocation of approximately 500 feet of pipeline is required at an estimated cost of \$1,016,100. Engineer, ESI is finalizing design. CCMWA must obtain an easement from a property owner. CCMWA's attorney is performing a title search and Right-of-way Agent is beginning contact for easement acquisition. The plan is to advertise as soon as possible or utilize CCMWA's Emergency and On-Call Pipeline contract, pending easement acquisition timeframe. If the CCDOT construction project timeline requires, staff plans to ask the Board for approval to utilize CCMWA's Emergency & On-call Construction contract for installation of the realigned pipeline.
- 5) Quarles Plant 1 received the 2022 Engineering Excellence Honor Award from the American Council of Engineering Companies of Georgia.
- 6) Mr. Pat Calhoun, a Class 1 Operator working at the Wyckoff Plant for over 33 years, was selected to receive the Georgia Association of Water Professional's 2022 District 3 Water TopOp (Top Operator) Award.

9. New business

There were no new business items to present.

10. Executive Session

Mr. Crowder made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss cybersecurity. Mr. Buyers seconded the motion; motion passed 6/0.

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

11. Legal

<u>Lease Agreement between the Cobb County-Marietta Water Authority, as Landlord, and Mary Stone, as Tenant</u>

Mr. Welch made a motion to approve a Lease Agreement between the Cobb County-Marietta Water Authority, as Landlord, and Mary Stone, as Tenant (copy in file) with an Addendum to state that the original sales agreement for the property stipulated that CCMWA lease said property to Ms. Stone at her option until the reservoir is built, CCMWA sells the property, or Ms. Stone no longer lives adjacent to said property. The property is adjacent to a wedding and reception venue and is visible from such venues. Lessee will maintain the property (bush-hogged) during the lease. Mr. Crowder seconded the motion; motion passed 6/0.

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Mr. Blackwell announced that Mr. William Blalack has been selected as the Interim Director of Operations.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Pat Tibbitts

Assistant Secretary

James C. Scott, Jr.

Chair