Cobb County-Marietta Water Authority Minutes of Regular Meeting

June 25, 2025 - 02:30 p.m.

The Regular meeting of the Cobb County-Marietta Water Authority was held on June 25, 2025, at 02:30 p.m., in the Cobb County-Marietta Water Authority's Board Room. Water Authority Board members present were James Scott, Dan Buyers, Charlie Crowder, Charles Welch, Lisa Cupid, Grif Chalfant, and James Balli.

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

1. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

a. Mr. Bobby Fields offered the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Approval of Minutes of Regular Meeting of May 19, 2025

a. Mr. James Scott asked for approval of the minutes of the Regular meeting of May 19, 2025. Ms. Lisa Cupid made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Mr. Dan Buyers seconded the motion; motion passed unanimously 7/0.

3. New business

a. Mr. Cole Blackwell introduced three new summer interns: Jacob Dickinson, Abel Yarad, and Hunter Fennel. Mr. Scott welcomed the interns to the Authority.

4. Financial report

a. Ms. Allison Clements, Director of Finance, presented a summary of the May 31, 2025, Financial Statements (copy in file). Operating income for May was \$3,512,112, which exceeded the budget expectation by \$98,316. Net income for May was \$4,059,472 which missed the budget expectation by \$66,876.

5. Pension Committee Report

a. Mr. Stan Brinkley, Chair of the Pension Committee, gave a report on the Regular Pension Committee meeting of May 19, 2025 (copy in file).

6. Contract Award - Request for Proposal, Pipeline Condition Assessment

a. Mr. Blackwell referred to the memorandum in the board package (copy in file). Mr. James Balli made a motion to approve a contract with Insight Water Technologies of Del Mar, California, to provide professional services for pipeline condition assessment of Central Supply Loop Water Mains for their proposed fee of \$787,000.00. Ms. Cupid seconded the motion; motion passed unanimously 7/0.

7. Contract Renewal - On-Demand Services

a. Mr. Blackwell referred to the memorandum in the board package (copy in file). Mr. Charles Welch made a motion to approve a first-year extension for the Demand Engineering Service Contracts with Hazen and Sawyer P.C., Garver LLC, HDR Engineering Inc., River to Tap, Inc., Engineering Strategies, Inc. and Freese and Nichols, Inc. Mr. Balli seconded the motion; motion passed unanimously 7/0.

8. Sole Source Procurement - Flint Hill Road Pipeline, Leak Detection Services

a. Mr. Blackwell referred to the memorandum in the board package (copy in file). Mr. Grif Chalfant made a motion to approve a contract with Pure Technologies U.S., Inc. to provide leak detection services along Flint Hill Road at the proposed cost of \$66,282.00. Ms. Cupid seconded the motion; motion passed unanimously 7/0.

9. Old Business

a. There were no old business items to report.

10. General Manager's Report

- a. Mr. Blackwell referred to the General Manager's Report (copy in file) and provided information related to the following projects:
 - Mars Hill Church Road to Pine Mountain 36-inch Aged Pipeline Replacement
 - ii. Cedarcrest Connector 16-inch Water Main Installation
 - iii. Old Highway 41 and Stilesboro Road Water Main Replacement
 - iv. Quarles Plant No. 2 SCADA Replacement
 - v. Quarles Chemical Building Replacement
- b. Mr. Blackwell presented updates on the following items:
 - i. June 2025 Regulatory Update
 - ii. July 21, 2025, Board Meeting Start Time

11. Executive Session

a. Mr. Buyers made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss Cybersecurity matters. Ms. Cupid seconded the motion; motion passed unanimously 7/0.

Mr. Balli left the meeting at 3:26 p.m.

b. Ms. Cupid made a motion to return to the Regular meeting. Mr. Welch seconded the motion; motion passed unanimously 6/0.

12. Legal

- a. Consideration of Intergovernmental Agreement with Marietta Board of Lights and Water.
 - i. Mr. Crowder made a motion to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement between Cobb County-Marietta Water Authority and Marietta Board of

Lights and Water for the Old Highway 41 and Stilesboro Road Water Main Replacements. Mr. Chalfant seconded the motion; motion passed unanimously 6/0.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:50 p.m.

Kristen Bertsch

Assistant Secretary