

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

March 16, 2026 – 2:30 p.m.

The Regular meeting of the Cobb County-Marietta Water Authority was held on March 16, 2026, 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, Charles Welch, Grif Chalfant, and Lisa Cupid. Not present: James Balli and Charlie Crowder.

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

- 1. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance**
 - a. Mr. Sam Woodie offered the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 2. Approval of Minutes of Regular Meeting of February 16, 2026**
 - a. Mr. James Scott asked for approval of the minutes of the Regular meeting of February 16, 2026. Mr. Dan Buyers made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Ms. Lisa Cupid seconded the motion; motion passed unanimously 5/0.
- 3. New business**
 - a. Mr. Buyers congratulated Ms. Cupid on a recent high school basketball achievement by a family member.
- 4. Financial report**
 - a. Ms. Allison Clements, Director of Finance, presented a summary of the February 28, 2026, Financial Statements (copy in file). Operating income for February was \$2,524,949, which exceeded the budget expectation by \$253,598. Net income for February was \$3,286,568, which exceeded the budget expectation by \$333,650.
- 5. Pension Committee Report**
 - a. Mr. Stan Brinkley, Chair of the Pension Committee, gave a report on the Regular Pension Committee meeting of February 16, 2026 (copy in file).
- 6. Professional Services - Pipeline Condition Assessment - Highway 41 Water Mains Phase I and II**
 - a. Mr. Cole Blackwell referred to the memorandum in the board package (copy in file). Ms. Cupid made a motion to approve a sole-source contract with Pure Technologies U.S., Inc., to provide professional services for condition assessment of the Highway 41 Phases I and II water main for the proposed fee of \$921,641.00. Mr. Welch seconded the motion; motion passed unanimously 5/0.
- 7. Preventative Maintenance for PowerFlex 7000 Medium Voltage Variable Frequency Drives**

- a. Mr. Blackwell referred to the memorandum in the board package (copy in file). Mr. Grif Chalfant made a motion to approve a five-year preventative maintenance agreement with McNaughton-McKay Electric Company for the three PowerFlex 7000 Variable Frequency Drives at the Quarles Treatment Division at a total cost of \$415,741.50, or \$83,148.30 per year. Mr. Welch seconded the motion; motion passed unanimously 5/0.

8. Ductile Iron Pipe Contractor Pre-Qualifications List

- a. Ms. Rita Neely, Director of Engineering, referred to the memorandum in the board package (copy in file). Mr. Welch made a motion to approve the presented contractors for retention on CCMWA's Prequalified Pipeline Contractors List for Ductile Iron Pipe in the proposed size categories listed. Ms. Cupid seconded the motion; motion passed unanimously 5/0.

Category 1 (24-inch and smaller)

C.W. Matthews Contracting Company, Inc. (Marietta, GA)
Don Moorhead Construction, Inc. (Anderson, SC)
John Plott Company, Inc. (Tuscaloosa, AL)
K. M. Davis Contracting Company, Inc. (Marietta, GA)
Reeves Young, LLC (Sugar Hill, GA)
RDJE, Inc. (Newnan, GA)
Thalle Construction Company, Inc. (Hillsborough, NC)

Mr. Scott, upon the advice of Mr. Doug Haynie, legal counsel for CCMWA, advised the Board that he is a director of Matsco, Incorporated, the parent company of C. W. Matthews Contracting Co., Inc.

Category 2 (36-inch and smaller)

Gordy Construction Company (Fortson, GA)
Legacy Water Group, LLC (Covington, GA)
Southeast Connection, LLC (SEC) (Conyers, GA)
Strickland & Sons Pipeline, Inc. (Gainesville, GA)

Category 3 (48-inch and smaller)

Unity Construction Company, Inc. (Powder Springs, GA)

Category 4 (unlimited size)

Cleary Construction, Inc. (Tompkinsville, KY)
Garney Companies, Inc. (Alpharetta, GA)
JDS, Inc. (Lawrenceville, GA)
Mid-South Builders, Inc. (Lithonia, GA)
Morgan Contracting, Inc. (Knoxville, TN)
Reynolds Construction of Georgia, LLC (Fairburn, GA)
Ruby-Collins, Inc. (Smyrna, GA)

9. Bid Award – Quarles 6 MG Clearwell No. 1 Tank Concrete Repairs and Coating Project

- a. Mr. Blackwell referred to the memorandum in the board package (copy in file). Mr. Buyers made a motion to award the Quarles 6 MG Clearwell No. 1 Tank Concrete Repairs and Coating Project to DN Tanks of Georgia, LLC of Wakefield, Massachusetts, for the verified low-bid price of \$987,600.00. Mr. Chalfant seconded the motion; motion passed unanimously 5/0.

10. Bid Results – Pine Mountain Water Storage Tank Replacement

- a. Mr. Blackwell referred to the memorandum in the board package (copy in file). Ms. Cupid made a motion to award the Pine Mountain Tank Replacement project to Cleary Construction, Inc. of Tomkinsville, Kentucky for the verified low bid of \$8,389,000.00. Mr. Buyers seconded the motion; motion passed unanimously 5/0.

11. Old Business

- a. Mr. Doug Haynie reported that the real estate closing process for 565 and 569 Woodlawn Drive in Marietta, Georgia, has been completed, and the Authority now officially owns the properties.

12. 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:
 - i. Mars Hill Church Road to Pine Mountain 36-inch Aged Pipeline Replacement Project
 - ii. Old Highway 41 / National Park Service Water Main Replacement Project
 - iii. Quarles Plant No.2 SCADA Replacement Project
 - iv. Quarles Chemical Building Replacement Project

13. Executive Session

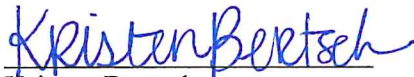
- a. Mr. Buyers made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss Cybersecurity and Real Estate. Ms. Cupid seconded the motion; motion passed unanimously 5/0.
- b. Mr. Chalfant made a motion to return to the Regular meeting. Mr. Buyers seconded the motion; motion passed unanimously 5/0.

14. Legal

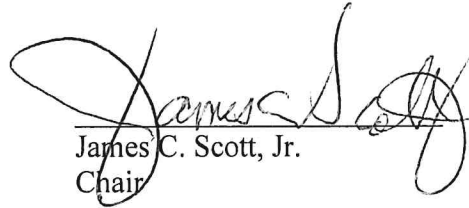
- a. **Atlanta Regional Commission – Agreement for River/Lake Information Management Services**
 - i. Ms. Cupid made a motion to approve the Agreement for River/Lake Information Management Services with the Atlanta Regional Commission (ARC) for 2026 through 2028 as presented. Mr. Welch seconded the motion; motion passed unanimously 5/0.
- b. **Memorandum of Agreement with Cobb County – Third Army Road 12-Inch Water Main Extension**

- i. Mr. Chalfant made a motion to approve the Memorandum of Agreement between Cobb County, Georgia and the Cobb County-Marietta Water Authority for the Third Army Road Water Main Extension as presented. Mr. Buyers seconded the motion; motion passed unanimously 5/0.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:00 p.m.



Kristen Bertsch
Assistant Secretary



James C. Scott, Jr.
Chair