

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

**July 17, 2017**

The regular meeting of the Cobb County-Marietta Water Authority was held on July 17, 2017 at 3:30 p.m., in the Cobb County-Marietta Water Authority's Board Room. Water Authority Board members present were: Grif Chalfant, Charlie Crowder, Dan Buyers, James Balli, Mike Boyce and James Scott. Mr. Bacon's assistant had notified staff that he would be unable to attend.

The meeting was called to order at 3:30 p.m. by Chair Grif Chalfant.

**1. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance**

Ms. Beth Hamby offered the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**2. Approval of Minutes of Regular Meeting of June 19, 2017**

Mr. Chalfant asked for approval of the minutes of the Regular Meeting of June 19, 2017. Mr. Buyers made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Mr. Scott seconded the motion; motion passed 6/0.

**3. Financial report**

Ms. Allison Clements, Interim Director of Finance, presented a summary of the June 30, 2017 Financial Statement (copy in file). Net income for June was \$3,659,117, which was below expectations by \$96,469. Operating income for June was \$3,887,980, which exceeded expectations by \$30,510.

**4. Quarterly Investment report**

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

**5. Planning Committee report**

Mr. Buyers, Chair of the Planning Committee, referenced the Planning Committee Report that was previously placed at the Board Members' seats (copy in file). Mr. Buyers reported that actions taken were approval of the previous meeting's minutes and approval of a recommendation to the Board that the Quarles Plant 1 Replacement Project be awarded to low bidder Archer Western Construction, LLC for the verified low bid price of \$71,790,109.30. Other items discussed were an expansion of the Simmons Laboratory, Procurement Limits for Demand Services Engineering Contracts and Change Order Notification Process.

**6. Bid Results – James E. Quarles Plant 1 Replacement Project**

Mr. George Kaffezakis, Director of Engineering, and Mr. Lance Buchanan, Project Manager, presented a review of the Quarles Plant 1 Replacement Project, including project scope, cost estimates at various points during project design, items evaluated through value engineering to reduce costs, and sources of funding for project costs above the current capital budget (copy in file). Mr. Boyce made a motion to award the Construction Contract for the James E. Quarles Plant 1 Replacement Project to Archer Western Construction, LLC of Atlanta, Georgia for the verified low bid price of \$71,790,109.30. Mr. Crowder seconded the motion; motion passed 6/0.

**7. Old business**

There were no old business items to present.

**8. General Manager's report**

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

Water demand – Water demands continue to be affected by almost daily rains across the service area. Production in July to date is over 11% below projected (84 mgd vs. 95 mgd). If the weather trends continue, there is a possibility of not meeting budgeted revenue for 2017.

Southwest Connector, East Cobb Phase – The aerial crossing of Sope Creek was completed on June 29, and only connections on the east and west side of the creek remain to complete the piping portion of the project. Paving is scheduled to begin on Saturday, July 22. Planning for chlorination and testing is underway. The project is expected to be completed long before the December 31, 2017 deadline.

**9. New business**

Mr. Chalfant appointed a Nominating Committee of James Scott – Chair, Charlie Crowder and Dan Buyers. The Committee will present a proposed slate of officers at for consideration at the September meeting.

**10. Executive Session**

Mr. Balli made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss pending litigation and leasing of property. Mr. Buyers seconded the motion; motion passed 6/0.

Mr. Boyce left during Executive Session.

Mr. Scott made a motion to return to the Regular Meeting. Mr. Crowder seconded the motion; motion passed 5/0.

**11. Legal**

Mr. Buyers made a motion to authorize the Chair and General Manager to send a letter of appreciation to the members of Congress who supported the petition submitted by Cobb County-Marietta Water Authority requesting review of the applicability of two Executive Orders (Nos. 13658 and 13706) to the renewal of easements for an existing raw-water intake and pipeline on Corps property at Allatoona Lake. Mr. Scott seconded the motion; motion passed 5/0.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.



Becky Mixon  
Assistant Secretary



Griffin L. Chalfant, Jr.  
Chair