

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

February 15, 2016

The regular meeting of the Cobb County-Marietta Water Authority was held on February 15, 2016 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, David Austin, Max Bacon, Tim Lee and James Scott.

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

1. Approval of Minutes of Regular Meeting of January 25, 2016

Mr. Chalfant asked for approval of the minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 25, 2015. Mr. Buyers made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Mr. Lee seconded the motion; motion passed 7/0.

2. Financial report

Ms. Allison Clements presented a summary of the January 2016 Financial Statement (copy in file). Operating income for January was \$2,192,817, which exceeded expectations by \$123,882. Net income for January was \$2,828,349 which exceeded expectations by \$859,555.

3. Strategic Plan Presentation

Mr. Page referred to the final draft Strategic Plan that was distributed prior to the meeting. Mr. Page reported on the process that was used to develop the plan, including interviews with Board members, wholesale customers and staff, and Authority-wide staff surveys.

Staff requested that Board members review the draft document over the next month and provide feedback before March 7. Staff anticipates requesting Board adoption of the proposed Strategic Plan at the March meeting.

4. Sole Source Request – Replacement of Sodium Hypochlorite Generation Equipment

Mr. Page referred to the memorandum in the Board package (copy in file). Mr. Lee made a motion to approve a sole-source purchase of two ChlorTec sodium hypochlorite generation cells for the Quarles Water Treatment Plant through Templeton and Associates for the quoted price of \$117,400. Mr. Scott seconded the motion; motion passed 7/0.

5. Approval of Board expenses to AWWA Annual Conference and Exposition

Mr. Page reported that several Board members have indicated their interest in attending the AWWA Annual Conference and Exposition in Chicago, Illinois June 19-22. CCMWA's charter requires Board authorization of any Board member's travel prior to that travel occurring. Mr. Buyers made a motion to approve reimbursement of travel expenses for Board members attending the AWWA conference. Mr. Crowder seconded the motion; motion passed 7/0.

6. Old business

There were no old business items to present.

7. Operations report

Mr. Kenyon, Director of Operations, reported on a fire at the Quarles Intake Pump Station as described in the General Manager's Report (copy in file).

8. Engineering report

Mr. Kaffezakis, Director of Engineering, provided an update on the Demand Services contracts as described in the General Manager's Report (copy in file).

9. General Manager's report

Mr. Page provided the following updates:

- SW Connector 54-Inch Pipeline (East Cobb Phase)
 - Memoranda of Agreement related to repaving of Terrell Mill Road and reconfiguration of the median for Brumby Elementary School construction are being prepared by Cobb DOT for Cobb County Commission and Board approval.
 - The intersection closure at Lower Roswell Road and Indian Hills Parkway that was previously scheduled for spring break will be delayed until the beginning of summer because of delays in the Section 1 construction from utility conflicts with Atlanta Gas Light and AT&T.
- Hwy. 41 Tunnel
 - The contractor is currently in good rock and is averaging 20-25 feet per day. Consideration of the previously discussed Change Order will be deferred until future project conditions are better defined.
- Macon Soils Residuals Land Application Contract
 - 2016 will be year 3 of the 5-year intergovernmental agreement with Macon Water Authority subsidiary Macon Soils, Inc.
 - Results of the 2015 contract include 12,942 cubic yards of material being spread on farmland for a cost of \$267,622.50.
 - 2016 unit prices will increase by a CPI adjustment of 0.12%
 - Staff estimates 2016 application of 15,000 cubic yards for a cost of \$326,650, with actual quantities based on raw water quality and water production.
- Prequalified Pipeline Contractors
 - Staff was notified that Reeves Contracting Company of Suwanee, has purchased a commercial contracting firm, and has changed its name to Reeves Young LLC.

- Advertisement for prequalification of all pipeline contractors, which occurs every two years, will take place this fall. Advertisement for CCMWA's Emergency and Maintenance Contract will also be held in the second half of 2016.
- Two real estate issues
 - Staff is finalizing negotiation with American Tower (AT) on a new lease for the former Verizon tower site on Pine Mountain. Prior to Board approval, engineering staff will be working with AT staff to coordinate new access that does not impact CCMWA operation.
 - 1190 Atlanta Industrial Drive: Staff has asked Mr. Crowder and Mr. Buyers to evaluate and make recommendations for marketing the 1190 property. Staff is also considering a business case evaluation for possible future uses of the building by CCMWA.

10. New business

Mr. Austin stated that he has replied to the letter of January 26, 2016 from Mr. Chalfant regarding CCMWA's rate study and a multi-source rate that is under consideration. Mr. Austin requested that Raftelis Financial Consultants, Inc. have the opportunity to review data used to develop any proposed new rate.

11. Executive Session

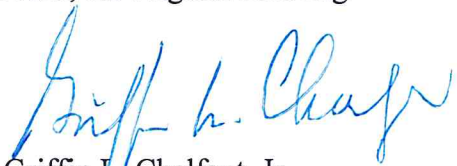
There was no need for an Executive Session.

12. Legal

Mr. Scott made a motion to approve the Order of Condemnation of property owned by Metric Constructors, Inc. on behalf of the Cobb County-Marietta Water Authority by means of eminent domain and authorized the Authority attorney to take any and all action necessary to acquire such property by virtue of eminent domain, including the right to file any appeals in such case. In the alternative, the motion authorizes the purchase of said property upon the approval of the Chair, General Manager and Board Attorney at the appraised value of \$4,000.00. Mr. Buyers seconded the motion; motion passed 7/0.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the Regular Meeting was adjourned.


Becky Nixon
Assistant Secretary


Griffin L. Chalfant, Jr.
Chair