

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

August 15 2016

The regular meeting of the Cobb County-Marietta Water Authority was held on August 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, Tim Lee and James Scott. Mr. Austin and Mr. Bacon had notified staff that they would be unable to attend.

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

1. Approval of Minutes of Regular Meeting of July 18, 2016

Mr. Chalfant asked for approval of the minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 18, 2016. Mr. Scott made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Mr. Crowder seconded the motion; motion passed 5/0.

2. Approval of Minutes of Executive Session of July 18, 2016

Mr. Chalfant asked for approval of the minutes of the Executive Session of July 18, 2016. Mr. Scott made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Mr. Crowder seconded the motion; motion passed 5/0.

3. Financial report

Mr. Cole Blackwell, Director of Finance, presented a summary of the July 2016 Financial Statement (copy in file). Net income for July was \$4,210,198, which exceeded expectations by \$1,209,204. Operating income for July was \$4,422,950, which exceeded expectations by \$1,292,822.

Year-to-date net income of \$24,666,836, inclusive of fair market valuation adjustments, exceeded budget expectations by \$5,976,899. Year-to-date operating income of \$24,044,239 exceeded budget expectations by \$4,571,264.

4. Rates & Contracts Committee report

Mr. Scott, Chair of the Rates and Contracts Committee, reported that the Committee met August 12 to discuss a proposed rate structure and approved two recommendations to the Board.

Mr. Scott made a motion to invite members of Paulding County Water Advisory Board and the Paulding County Commission Chair-Elect to meet with staff and members of the Rates & Contracts Committee. Mr. Chalfant seconded the motion; motion passed 5/0.

Mr. Scott made a motion to authorize staff to negotiate a revised rate structure with wholesale customers based on the recommendations from Hawksley Consulting, with

such negotiations to begin with Douglasville-Douglas County Water & Sewer Authority and Paulding County. Mr. Lee seconded the motion; motion passed 5/0.

5. Bid results – Dallas Street & Watts Drive Water Main Replacement

Mr. Page referred to the memorandum in the Board package (copy in file). Mr. Lee made a motion to award the bid of the construction contract for the Dallas Street & Watts Drive Water Main Replacement Project to Wade Coots Company, Inc. of Hiram, Georgia for the verified low-bid price of \$376,110. Mr. Scott seconded the motion; motion passed 5/0.

6. Highway 41, Phased IV Engineering Contract Modification No. 6

Mr. Page referred to the memorandum in the Board package (copy in file). Mr. Lee made a motion to approve Contract Modification No. 6 to the Engineering Services Contract for the Highway 41 Water Main, Phase IV with Atkins, North America, Inc., increasing the contract value by \$188,720.00 to a not-to-exceed value of \$2,176,774.96, and extending the contract duration by 439 days for a revised completion date of March 31, 2017. Mr. Buyers seconded the motion; motion passed 5/0.

7. Old business

Mr. Scott, Nominating Committee Chair, reported that the Committee's recommendations for Board officers to be voted on at the September meeting are: Chair – Grif Chafant, Vice-Chair – Charlie Crowder and Secretary – Dan Buyers.

8. General Manager's report

Mr. Page provided an update on the Southwest Connector 54-Inch Pipeline, East Cobb Phase: Significant milestones are expected to be reached in the near future, including the tie-in into Highway 41 Phase IV Project. When this work is complete, CCMWA will have met the obligation to Cobb DOT that work west of Powers Ferry Road would be finished before December 31.

9. New business

There were no new business items to present.

10. Executive Session

Mr. Lee made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss pending litigation. Mr. Buyers seconded the motion; motion passed 5/0.


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

11. Legal

Mr. Lee made a motion to authorize the filing of a Motion to Intervene on behalf of the Cobb County-Marietta Water Authority in the case of State of Alabama et. al. v. U.S. Army Corps of Engineers et. al. (D.D.C. Civil Action No. 1:15-cv-696-EGS), including the authority for the attorneys for the Cobb County-Marietta Water Authority to take any action necessary and appropriate related to the Intervention and any other matter related to the above-styled case. 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