# Cobb County-Marietta Water Authority Minutes of Regular Meeting

February 17, 2020 – 2:30 p.m.

The regular meeting of the Cobb County-Marietta Water Authority was held on February 17, 2020, at 2:30 p.m., in the Cobb County-Marietta Water Authority's Board Room. Water Authority Board members present were: Dan Buyers, Charlie Crowder, Max Bacon, James Balli, Mike Boyce, and Grif Chalfant. James Scott was not present at the meeting.

The meeting was called to order at 2:30 p.m. by Vice Chair Dan Buyers.

## 1. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

Dr. Dolisa Williams offered the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

## 2. Approval of Minutes of Regular Meeting of January 27, 2020

Mr. Buyers asked for approval of the minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 27, 2020. Mr. Chalfant made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Mr. Balli seconded the motion; motion passed 6/0.

#### 3. Financial report

Ms. Allison Clements, Director of Finance, presented a summary of the January 31, 2020 Financial Statement (copy in file). Operating income for January was \$2,908,359, which exceeded expectations by \$244,160. Net income for January was \$2,514,986, which fell short of expectations by \$284,556.

#### 4. Extension of Electric Motor Service Contracts

Mr. Boyce made a motion to approve one-year extensions to the Electric Motor Services Contracts with Integrated Power Services, LLC of Birmingham, Alabama and Tekwell Services, LLC of Chattanooga, Tennessee under the terms of the current contracts. Mr. Balli seconded the motion; motion passed 6/0.

## 5. Sole-source Procurement – Sodium Hypochlorite Generators

Mr. Boyce made a motion to approve authorization of sole-source procurement of two replacement ClorTec® sodium hypochlorite generation systems for the Wyckoff Water Treatment Plant from De Nora Water Technologies, Inc. for the quoted price of \$186,022. Mr. Balli seconded the motion; motion passed 6/0.

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## 6. Pipeline Contractor Pre-Qualification

Mr. Chalfant made a motion to amend Category 3 of CCMWA's Prequalified Pipeline Contractors list by adding John Plott Company, Inc. of Tuscaloosa, Alabama, allowing them to bid on ductile iron pipeline projects through 48 inches in diameter. Mr. Balli 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):

In January, the 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Tappy Turtle and Allatoona Ally Coloring Book was rolled out. This is a joint effort of CCMWA, the Cobb County Water System and Cobb County Schools to use art in elementary schools to teach about water conservation. An Artist Challenge is held annually, with 12 winning entries being published in a coloring book that is distributed throughout the county. The 2020 Artist Challenge received over 250 entries from 10 participating elementary schools.

CCMWA's service area has received over14.5 inches of rain to date in 2020, which is almost 8 inches over normal, with more rains expected over the next week. As a result, Lake Lanier is at its highest elevation in over 15 years, and Allatoona Lake is 20 feet over its rule curve, and almost 9 feet over full summer pool. The current pipeline project crossing Allatoona Lake adjacent to Hwy. 41 may be delayed until next winter due to the site flooding. Conversations are ongoing between CCMWA staff and the contractor on the impacts to completing the project. Although 2020 has been wetter than normal to date, water demands are still higher than projected so far this year.

1190 Atlanta Industrial Drive is now occupied by both CCMWA staff and Marietta City Schools. Recent rains have resulted in leaking windows, which will need to be replaced. This work will require a building permit from the City of Marietta.

The quarterly Pension Committee meeting originally scheduled for today was moved to March 16.

A number of senior staff, along with some prospective leaders, will be attending the Utility Management Conference in Anaheim, California next week.

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#### 9. New business

There were no new business items to present.

### 10. Legal

Two Exchange of Easement Agreements between the Cobb County-Marietta Water Authority and Indian Hills Country Club regarding the project known as Blackjack Mountain 36-Inch Pipeline Replacement Project. The Chair, General Manager, and Board Attorney are authorized to approve minor modifications to the documents.

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There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Pat Tibbitts

**Assistant Secretary** 

Dan Buyers

Vice Chair