



Board of Light, Gas and Water Commissioners

220 S. Main Street
 Memphis, TN 38103
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Board Meeting
 ~ Minutes ~

Wednesday, December 4, 2024

8:30 AM

Board Room

CALL TO ORDER AND OPENING REMARKS:

Chairman Dickson

The meeting was called to order at 8:30 a.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Chairman Dickson

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ROLL CALL:

Dana Jeanes

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Michael Pohlman	Vice Chairman	Present	
Cheryl Pesce	Board Member	Present	
Carl Person	Board Member	Present	
Mitch Graves	Board Member	Present	
Leon Dickson	Chairman	Present	
James Lewellen	Advisory Board Member	Present	
John Butler	Advisory Board Member	Present	

APPROVALS:

Chairman Dickson

Motion To: Approve Minutes from the Meeting of November 20, 2024.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Mitch Graves, Board Member
SECONDER: Michael Pohlman, Vice Chairman
AYES: Pohlman, Pesce, Person, Graves, Dickson

CITY COUNCIL ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS & UPDATE:

Dana Jeanes

Acknowledge Receipt of Certified Copies of City Council Resolutions dated November 26, 2024, Items 13 through 25, and Item 34.

PRESENTATIONS:

TVA Remarks - Mr. Dan Pratt, Sr. Vice President of Regional Relations

Mr. Dan Pratt, Senior Vice President of Regional Relations appeared before the Board on behalf of the Customer and Community Relations Department, Jeff Lyash, CEO of TVA, and all of TVA to acknowledge and celebrate the 90 year partnership between

MLGW, the City of Memphis, and TVA. The partnership was recognized by the City Council at a recent City Council Meeting. Mr. Pratt stated that TVA and the City have the same goals which are improve service reliability, ensure affordable energy, and promote economic development. Mr. Pratt listed the many ways that TVA contributes to the community and their efforts to meet and support these goals. Mr. Pratt thanked President McGowen for his leadership as well Dana Jeanes, Rod Cleek and Alonzo Weaver for all their work and assistance over the years. Mr. Pratt stated that he is looking forward to the next 90 years of partnership.

GENERAL STATEMENT(S) FROM THE PUBLIC:

Chairman Dickson read into record the policy and procedure for speaking to the Board.

Chet Kibble - 3229 Lakeview Road - Director of the Memphis and Shelby County Lead Safe Collaborative - Mr. Kibble was thankful for the efforts MLGW is making to remove lead water lines. Mr. Kibble stated that we must also focus on the 3rd Role of the Memphis Lead Elimination Plan which is to educate the public how dangerous lead is. Mr. Kibble provided information as to types of lead and all the ways it is dangerous to people. Mr. Kibble discussed various effects of chronic lead poisoning. Mr. Kibble stated that we need to do a better job of how we are going to address the lead in people's houses. Mr. Kibble would like to have a meeting with MLGW to make his presentation.

REGULAR AGENDA

(Item 1)

- 1. **Motion To:** Approving Resolution nominating Mr. Rodney Cleek to fill the position of Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Secretary-Treasurer with an annual salary of \$231,608.00 (Doug McGowen) (REQUIRES CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL)

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Mitch Graves, Board Member
SECONDER: Carl Person, Board Member
AYES: Pohlman, Pesce, Person, Graves, Dickson

Advisory Board Member James Lewellen - Concurs

Advisory Board Member John Butler - Concurs

Review Consent Agenda – President Doug McGowen

The original of the resolutions and documents relating to each item is filed in the vault of the fifth floor of the MLGW Administration Building, 220 South Main. The original documents shall control in the event of any conflict between the description and these minutes and the original documents.

(President’s Briefing Continued on Page 155)

CONSENT AGENDA

(Items 2 through 16)

Motion To: Approve Consent Agenda Items 2 through 16.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Mitch Graves, Board Member
SECONDER:	Cheryl Pesce, Board Member
AYES:	Pohlman, Pesce, Person, Graves, Dickson

Advisory Board Member James Lewellen - Concurs

Advisory Board Member John Butler - Concurs

2. Resolution awarding purchase orders for the replacement of water well pumps and motor units to National Water Services in the amount of \$236,355.22 and Bar Environmental Supply, Inc. in the amount of \$176,600.00. (Randy Orsby) (REQUIRES CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL)

3. Resolution approving Change No. 4 to Contract No. 12119, Professional Engineering Services for Gas Engineering and Operations with Fisher & Arnold, Inc. to renew the current contract in the funded not-to-exceed amount of \$60,000.00. (Randy Orsby) (REQUIRES CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL)

4. Resolution approving SSM Growth Equity Fund IV, a private equity fund manager, to manage approximately \$10 million for the benefit of the MLGW OPEB Trust Fund, as part of a reallocation. (Dana Jeanes) (SAME DAY MINUTES REQUESTED)

5. Resolution approving SSM Growth Equity Fund IV, a private equity fund manager, to manage approximately \$20 million for the benefit of the MLGW Retirement and Pension Fund, as part of a reallocation. (Dana Jeanes) (SAME DAY MINUTES REQUESTED)

6. Resolution approving Change No. 4 to Contract No. 12464 (formerly Contract No. C2561), Samsara Fleet Safety and Track Solution with Samsara, Incorporated to ratify, renew, and change the scope of the current contract value in the funded amount of \$801,001.92. (Randy Orsby) (REQUIRES CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL)

7. Resolution approving Change No. 3 to Contract No. 12254 (formerly Purchase Order No. 449343), vMobile Applications Suite Software Maintenance and Support with Prometheus Group Enterprises, LLC (formerly Ventureforth, Inc.) to ratify and renew the current contract with no increase in the contract value. (Randy Orsby)

8. Resolution approving Change No. 4 to Contract No. 12202, Network Maintenance with ConvergeOne, Inc. to renew and change the current contract in the funded amount of \$1,166,935.71. (Randy Orsby) (REQUIRES CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL)

9. Resolution awarding Contract No. 12504, Veeam Backups and Replication to Tate Computer Systems, Inc. in the funded amount of \$581,097.50. (Randy Orsby) (REQUIRES CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL)

10. Resolution approving Change No. 1 to Contract No. 12545, Veritas NetBackup Renewal (solicited under Contract No. C2668) with Thomas Consultants, Inc. to extend and change the current contract in the funded amount of \$215,757.90. (Randy Orsby) (REQUIRES CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL)

11. Resolution awarding purchase order for switchgears to WESCO Distribution, Inc. in the amount of \$238,310.00. (Randy Orsby) (REQUIRES CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL)

12. Resolution approving the ratification of Purchase Order Number 7063125 to AutoNation Ford Memphis for one-ton trucks with service bodies in the amount of \$323,748.00. (Randy Orsby) (REQUIRES CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL)

13. Resolution approving Change No. 1 to Contract No. 12553, (formerly Contract No. C2607), Well-Lots Turf Management with Turf Doctors L&LM, LLC to renew the current contract in the funded amount of \$125,741.91. (Randy Orsby) (REQUIRES CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL)

14. Resolution approving Change No. 4 to Contract No. 12347, Temporary Employment Services for General Laborer Services (solicited under Contract No. 12294) with Millennium Search, LLC to ratify and renew the current contract value in the funded amount of \$1,500,000.00. (Randy Orsby) (REQUIRES CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL)

15. Resolution approving Change No. 3 to Contract No. 12294, Temporary Employment Services for Clerical Support with Millennium Search, LLC to renew the current contract with no increase in the contract value. (Randy Orsby)

16. Resolution approving Change No. 4 to Contract No. 12186, Family Medical Leave Act with Unum Group to ratify and renew the current contract in the funded amount of \$140,550.00. (Randy Orsby) (REQUIRES CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL)

PRESIDENT'S BRIEFING

Other - Doug McGowen

President McGowen provided to the Board information regarding a recent outage that took about two and a half hours to get 8,000 customers back on. President McGowen believed that the outage was due to two lines either being knocked together or the winds blew them together which ultimately caused a failure in a circuit breaker. President McGowen stated that we are not immune from the effects of weather and thus is why we need to stay the course of aggressive tree trimming. President McGowen also mentioned that the circuit breaker that failed was 57 years old, but it had passed its assessment in 2023. President McGowen stated that we are aiming to get below 30 years for our infrastructure. President McGowen reported that we have 116 circuit breakers that are from 44 to 35 years old, and we have included in our Budget to replace 10 of those a year. President McGowen reported that our team has a good idea on what needs to be replaced, we just didn't make it on time. President McGowen reported that we have 150 transformers in substations and by our work to replace those, we have brought the average age from 39 years to 29 years. President McGowen stated that over the next five years we plan to replace two of those each year. President McGowen stated that the way forward plan was not the end and that the increase in the Budget is all to keep doing this.

Mr. Alonzo Weaver, Senior Vice President and Chief Operating Officer gave additional insight to the outage.

President McGowen also confirmed that we are ready for the winter weather. President McGowen stated that we are prepared for snow and ice removal so people can get to work, and the community is better prepared.

Ms. Ursula Madden, Vice President of Corporate Communication, spoke on winter weather planning including all efforts to communicate with the public on social media platforms and billing inserts as well as working with Vice President of Shared Services Dr. Von Goodloe.

Chairman Dickson congratulated Vice President of Water and Gas Engineering and Operations, Chandrika Winston Rosser on being selected to participate in the Southern Gas Association Accredited Natural Gas Executive Program as fewer than 20 people were selected to participate in the 18-month program.

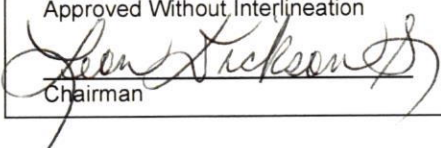
Chairman Dickson welcomed back Stacey Foster to our Board Meetings.

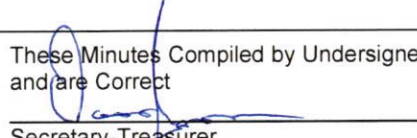
COMMITTEE REPORTS:

(None)

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:33 a.m.

Approved Without Interlineation

Chairman

These Minutes Compiled by Undersigned
and are Correct

Secretary-Treasurer