



Board of Light, Gas and Water Commissioners

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

Wednesday, May 15, 2024

8:30 AM

Board Room

CALL TO ORDER AND OPENING REMARKS:

Chairman Dickson

The meeting was called to order at 8:31 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 May 1, 2024.

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

CITY COUNCIL ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS & UPDATE:

Dana Jeanes

Receipt of Certified Copies of City Council Resolutions date May 7, 2024, Items 10 through 16. (See Minute File No. 1494.)

PRESENTATIONS:

(None)

GENERAL STATEMENT(S) FROM THE PUBLIC:

Kevin Carter - name called twice but no response. Mr. Carter not present

Keenan Hilson - 7665 Easterly Lane, Memphis, TN - Mr. Hilson stated that he was a former employee of Memphis Light, Gas & Water. Mr. Hilson stated that he was terminated in 2011 because of an altercation with another employee. Mr. Hilson stated that he has been trying to get his job back since 2011, and he believes he is being treated unfairly because he has known several other people who have been given their job back. Mr. Hilson states that many of the people that he had been talking with are no longer with Memphis Light, Gas & Water. Mr. Hilson asked for help and stated that he could start today.

Chet Kibble, Sr. - Director of the Memphis/Shelby County Lead Safe Collaborative - 3229 Lakeview Road - Mr. Kibble appeared before the Board to discuss the effects of fluoride as one of the Agenda Items for approval at today's meeting is to purchase fluorosilicic acid. Mr. Kibble stated that his organization has expressed concerns about the effects of fluoride as far back as 2012. Mr. Kibble brought several handouts for the Board Members. Mr. Kibble gave a brief overview of each handout. Mr. Kibble encouraged the Board to give some serious thought to a long-term contract on fluoride stating that many cities do not use it at this time because of its effects.

Chairman Dickson acknowledged City of Memphis Councilwoman Jerri Green's attendance via Zoom.

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 53)

CONSENT AGENDA
(Items 1 through 8)

Motion To: Approve Consent Agenda Items 1 through 8.

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

James Lewellen - concurs

John Butler – concurs

Motion To: Same Day Minutes for Items 1 and 2

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

PRESIDENT

(None)

SVP, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER

(None)

VP WATER & GAS ENGINEERING & OPERATIONS

1. Resolution awarding a twenty-four month purchase order with the option to extend for an additional twelve months to Hawkins, Inc. for the purchase of sodium hypochlorite in the amount of \$3,096,000.00. (Randy Orsby) (SAME DAY MINUTES REQUESTED) (REQUIRES CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL)
2. Resolution awarding a twenty-four month purchase order with the option to extend for an additional twelve months to Harcros Chemicals Inc. for the purchase of fluorosilicic acid in the amount of \$896,670.00. (Randy Orsby) (SAME DAY MINUTES REQUESTED) (REQUIRES CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL)

VP ELECTRIC ENGINEERING & OPERATIONS

3. Resolution approving a one-year option to renew purchase order number 7032368 to Mitsubishi Electric Power Products, Inc. and purchase order number 7035342 to Siemens Energy, Inc. for high voltage power circuit breakers. (Randy Orsby)
4. Resolution approving Change No. 3 to Contract No. 11723, EMS/SCADA, with Open Systems International (OSI), Inc. to change the current contract in the funded amount of \$708,550.00. (Randy Orsby) (REQUIRES CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL)
5. Resolution approving modification to Change No. 1 to Contract No. 12389, approved on March 6, 2024, LED Streetlight Conversion to Ameresco, Inc., in the Funded Amount of \$8,357,223.40. (Randy Orsby) (REQUIRES CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL)

SVP, CFO & CAO, FINANCE

6. Resolution approving the selection of professionals in connection with the proposed issuance of Series 2024 Electric System Revenue Bonds. (Dana Jeanes) (REQUIRES CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL)
7. Resolution approving plans to issue tax-exempt Series 2024 Electric System Revenue Bonds in an original aggregated principal amount of not to exceed \$180,000,000. (The Division intends to use a portion of the proceeds of the Bonds to reimburse the Division

for costs incurred prior to the issuance of the Bonds. Under federal tax law, in order for the proceeds of tax-exempt Bonds to be used to reimburse the Division for prior expenditures, the Division and the City must declare their official intent to reimburse the Division for prior expenditures with proceeds of the Bonds. This resolution will constitute such declaration of official intent and will allow the Division to utilize a portion of the Bond proceeds to reimburse the Division for capital expenditures incurred on or after the date that is sixty days prior to the approval date of this Resolution by the City.) (Dana Jeanes) (REQUIRES CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL)

8. Resolution to approve the removal of Quinton Clark and the addition of Chandrika Winston-Rosser to the First Horizon Water ARP Account. (Dana Jeanes)

SHARED SERVICES

(None)

CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICER

(None)

VP of CUSTOMER EXPERIENCE and ENERGY SERVICES

(None)

COMMUNITY & EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

(None)

VP & GENERAL COUNSEL

(None)

CHIEF PEOPLE OFFICER

(None)

PRESIDENT'S BRIEFING**Other - Doug McGowen**

President McGowen mentioned that we are working to push information to the public in the spirit of giving you more information. We are continuing to publish information on our website including our unaudited financial statements. President McGowen spoke about a storm that took place on April 7, 2024, which included a lightning storm that caused a fire in a control house in Substation 27. President McGowen informed the Board of the quick response from our team, hard-work, dedication, and quick repair. President McGowen mentioned several of the Employees that played a part in the successful and quick repair of Substation 27. President McGowen gave an update on delayed bills stating that the team has continued to reduce the delayed bills and the number of customers that are affected. President McGowen mentioned that the new gas registers are now in the lab being tested to make sure they will be the solution. We are also training technicians to install those new registers on the gas meters. President McGowen reported that we have replaced the water meters and that is essentially

complete. President McGowen stated that our team is actively pursuing a solution such that if there is now or ever in the future an issue with one of our services, that the bill could continue to be issued so that every customer gets a bill every month. President McGowen stated that he will continue to keep the Board posted on the billing issues as we go forward. The last matter President McGowen discussed was tree trimming. President McGowen reported to the Board that we have marked a milestone in tree trimming in that we surpassed 1,000 miles of tree trimming and that is 72% of our goal in one year. President McGowen reported that we are ahead of schedule by several percentage points to complete 1,400 miles of tree trimming in one year.

Advisory Board Member Butler requested to get out in the field to see some of the infrastructure since this is not his area of expertise.

Advisory Board Member Butler also requested a briefing about chemicals we add to our water and why including state and local laws that we must meet so that he has a better understanding.

President McGowen stated that he thought that would be a great idea to take another tour. President McGowen discussed items that are added to our water and that process and stated that we would be happy to get a package together for him regarding the chemicals.

Commissioner Person asked for an update on the employee that was bit by dog as well as what steps we are taking to ensure the safety of our employees. President McGowen responded that MLGW Employee went to inspect a leak at a home in Arlington. Employee Joe was attacked by two mastiffs. Employee Joe did have mace but did not have time to react. Employee Joe has been released from medical care and is recovering.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Second Quarter 2024 HR Committee Report - Jacqueline Jones

Jacqueline Jones - VP of Human Performance and Development discussed the 2nd Quarter HR Committee Meeting that was held on May 1, 2024. Mrs. Jones stated that today they would provide an update on the workforce development initiative. Mrs. Jones stated that the workforce development could be employee training and development as well as educational development. Mrs. Jones stated that the programs discussed today are designed to help our workforce maximize their development. Mrs. Jones introduced Angela Hewlett, Manager of Human Performance and Development. Mrs. Hewlett reviewed several programs that we have by partnering with local schools. Mrs. Hewlett described the following programs, employees that head up each initiative, and how each program benefits students:

MLGW STEM Educational Support Programs

MSCS Adopt-A-School - Middle School

Memphis Chamber Teachers Externship Program

MLGW/CCTE/STCC - Utility Boot Camps

High School Student Spring and Summer Internship

Student Co-ops Internship - work with high schools, new program with the Memphis Bar Association called SLIP, Summer Legal Intern Program, and we have new program with TCAT for mechanic student interns

Mrs. Hewlett stated that they have also received a request from Timothy Davis for Call Center Boot Camps. Mrs. Hewlett described why these types of programs are important in our community and to our business.

Advisory Board Member Butler said thank you for making a difference in the community.

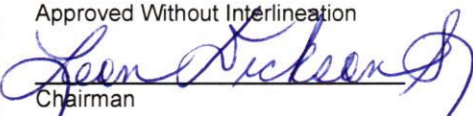
Commissioner Pesce suggested that we present our internship opportunities to the City Council. President McGowen stated that we would be happy to do that.

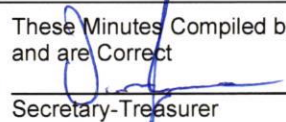
Commissioner Pohlman asked if we tracked students to see where they end up.

Chairman Dickson this needs to be pumped up.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:35 a.m. (See Minute File No. 1494.)

<p>Approved Without Interlineation</p>  <p>Chairman</p>
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<p>These Minutes Compiled by Undersigned and are Correct</p>  <p>Secretary-Treasurer</p>
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