



Board of Light, Gas and Water Commissioners

220 S. Main Street
Memphis, TN 38103
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Board Meeting

~ Minutes ~

Wednesday, March 2, 2016

1:00 PM

Board Room

CALL TO ORDER AND OPENING REMARKS:

Vice-Chairman Cobbins

The meeting was called to order at 1:02 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Vice-Chairman Cobbins

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ROLL CALL:

Dana Jeanes

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Derwin Sisnett	Chairman	Absent	
Darrell T. Cobbins	Vice Chairman	Present	
Steven Wishnia	Board Member	Present	
Carlee McCullough	Board Member	Present	
Rick Masson	Board Member	Late	1:27 PM

The following staff members were present: Jerry R. Collins, Jr., President and CEO; Dana Jeanes, Vice President, CFO and Secretary-Treasurer; Cheryl Patterson, Vice President and General Counsel; Nick Newman, Vice President, Construction and Maintenance; Christopher Bieber, Vice President, Customer Care; and Von W. Goodloe, Vice President, Human Resources. Alonzo Weaver, Vice President, Engineering and Operations and Lashell Vaughn, Vice President and Chief Technology Officer did not attend the meeting.

APPROVALS:

Motion To: Approve Minutes of the Meeting of February 17, 2016.

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Steven Wishnia, Board Member
SECONDER:	Carlee McCullough, Board Member
AYES:	Darrell T. Cobbins, Steven Wishnia, Carlee McCullough
ABSENT:	Derwin Sisnett, Rick Masson

CITY COUNCIL ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS & UPDATE:

Dana Jeanes

Receipt of Certified Copies of City Council Resolutions dated February 16, 2016, Items 9 through 24 and Items 27 through 29. (See Minute File Nos. 1397 and 1398.)

PRESENTATIONS:

(None)

GENERAL STATEMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:

1. Charles Todd, 787 Alice, Memphis, TN, addressed the Board regarding a problem with his bill. Mr. Todd states someone else's service has been added to his bill and he cannot get it resolved. He stated he has called and been to several of the community offices, and still has not been able to get it resolved. He stated he has always paid his utility bill on time, and he is here today to get this corrected. Clint Richardson was in attendance of the meeting, and President Collins asked Mr. Richardson to please assist Mr. Todd in getting this resolved. Vice-Chairman Cobbins asked Mr. Richardson to report back to the Board with an update.
2. Minister Suhkara Yahweh, 870 E. McLemore Avenue, addressed the Board regarding his continued concern regarding fluoride and requesting that it be removed from the water. He handed out documents to the Board Members, and discussed various negative effects of fluoride.

PRESIDENT'S BRIEFING:

1. Review of Consent Agenda - Jerry R. Collins, Jr.

(President's Briefing Continued on Page 23)

The original of the resolutions and documents relating to each item is filed in the vault on 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.

CONSENT AGENDA

(Items 1 through 10)

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Steven Wishnia, Board Member
SECONDER:	Carlee McCullough, Board Member
AYES:	Darrell T. Cobbins, Steven Wishnia, Carlee McCullough
ABSENT:	Derwin Sisnett, Rick Masson

CONSTRUCTION & MAINTENANCE DIVISION

1. Resolution awarding a contract to APFELBAUM Industrial, Inc., for the purchase of a transformer oil purification system, in the amount of \$414,100.00. (Jozelle Booker) (REQUIRES CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL)

CUSTOMER CARE DIVISION

(None)

ENGINEERING & OPERATIONS DIVISION

2. Resolution approving the payment of an invoice from Tennessee Regulatory Authority, for the Tennessee Regulatory Authority Inspection Fee for year 2015, in the amount of \$78,000.00. (Alonzo Weaver)
3. Resolution approving Change No. 4 to Contract No. 11498, Internet Service Provider, with Windstream Communications, in the funded amount of \$27,600.00. (This change is to renew the current contract for the second and final renewal term for the period covering May 1, 2016 through April 30, 2017, with no increase from the previous year.) (Jozelle Booker) (REQUIRES CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL)
4. Resolution awarding Engineered Sealing Components, LLC, for submersible pumps, in the amount of \$219,380.00. (Jozelle Booker) (REQUIRES CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL)

FINANCE DIVISION

5. Resolution awarding a thirty-six month contract to Elster American Meter Co., LLC, for gas regulators, in the amount of \$579,730.88. (Jozelle Booker) (REQUIRES CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL)
6. Resolution awarding a contract to Universal Scaffold and Equipment, LLC, for water meter vaults and lids, in the amount of \$485,450.00. (Jozelle Booker) (REQUIRES CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL)
7. Resolution approving rejection of bids received up to 4:00 p.m., Tuesday, December 14, 2015, for furnishing MLGW with underground secondary cable. (Jozelle Booker)

GENERAL COUNSEL DIVISION

(None)

HUMAN RESOURCES DIVISION

8. Resolution approving the following positions: Position No. 00241 - Senior Communications Specialist and Position No. 01359 - Pipeline Integrity Engineer 3. (Jerry R. Collins, Jr./Von Goodloe)

Motion To: APPROVE SAME DAY MINUTES FOR ITEM NO. 9

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Steven Wishnia, Board Member
SECONDER:	Carlee McCullough, Board Member
AYES:	Darrell T. Cobbins, Steven Wishnia, Carlee McCullough
ABSENT:	Derwin Sisnett, Rick Masson

9. Resolution approving revisions to MLGW Human Resources Policy, #21-01, Employment of Relatives. (Von Goodloe) (SAME DAY MINUTES REQUESTED)

INFORMATION SERVICES DIVISION

(None)

PRESIDENT'S DIVISION

10. Resolution awarding a thirty-six month contract to Three Point Graphics, for the purchase of utility bill paper, in the estimated amount of \$280,670.89. (Jozelle Booker) (REQUIRES CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL)

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Supplier Diversity Update - Fourth Quarter, 2015 - Renise Holliday discussed the details of her power point presentation. The highlight of her report was of the fact that MLGW had the highest minority spend in the history of the program. She reported a 37% Supplier Diversity Spend, equivalent to \$47,000,000 with Minority, Women, and Local Small Businesses at the end of 2015. She discussed exceeding the goals that had been set and stated they will continue to be intentional and look for ways to continue to work with minority businesses. Accolades were given to Renise, Jozelle Booker, and the MLGW staff responsible for a job very well done.

PRESIDENT'S BRIEFING (Continued):

2. Health & Medical Benefits Report - Fourth Quarter, 2015 - Charles Perry discussed the addition of 850 enrollees from the POS plan which reflects the noticeable increases in claims and prescription drug costs after 2013. The current trend indicates the Plan stands to spend \$15.4 million less in 2015 than under the previous agreement. He noted that the contract will be bid for services beginning in January, 2017. He also pointed out that as a result of the pricing negotiated mid-term with ESI and 2014 benefit design changes, MLGW's prescription plan cost grew only 1.25% in 2014 and Express Scripts reported that the U.S. prescription drug spend rose 13.1%, the largest since 2003. He discussed the Affordable Care Act pertaining to additional costs and the 40% excise tax changes. He noted the implementation of the tax has moved from 2018 to 2020, as of December 18, 2015. He provided a chart showing a ten year premium history for MLGW's OAP health plan rate increases versus medical trending to PPO's, reported by Segal Health Plan Cost Trend Surveys.
3. Other - Jerry R. Collins, Jr.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:45 p.m.

(See Minute File No. 1399.)

Approved Without Interlineation

Chairman

These Minutes Compiled by Undersigned and
are Correct

Secretary-Treasurer