

Board of Light, Gas and Water Commissioners 220 S. Main Street Memphis, TN 38103

Board Meeting

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Thursday, March 20, 2014

1:30 PM

Board Room

CALL TO ORDER AND OPENING REMARKS:

Chairman Masson

The meeting was called to order at 1:30 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Chairman Masson

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ROLL CALL:

Dana Jeanes

Attendee Name	Title	Status Arrived
Derwin Sisnett	Vice Chairman	Present
Rick Masson	Chairman	Present
Steven Wishnia	Board Member	Present
Darrell T. Cobbins	Board Member	Present

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 Lashell Vaughn, Vice President and Chief Technology Officer. Alonzo Weaver, Vice President, Engineering and Operations and Von W. Goodloe, Vice President, Human Resources did not attend the meeting.

APPROVALS:

Motion To: Approve Minutes of Meeting of March 6, 2014.

RESULT:

ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER:

Steven Wishnia, Board Member

SECONDER: Derwin Sisnett, Vice Chairman

AYES:

Derwin Sisnett, Rick Masson, Steven Wishnia, Darrell T. Cobbins

CITY COUNCIL ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS & UPDATE:

Dana Jeanes

Receipt of Certified Copies of City Council Resolutions dated March 4, 2014 Items 6 through 16 and Items 23 and 24. (See Minute File No. 1375.)

GENERAL STATEMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:

- 1) Mr. Chet Kibble, 3229 Lakeview Road, addressed the Board regarding lead exposure in water. He discussed several study publications pertaining to lead in water and the health risks imposed. He also provided a handout to the Board.
- 2) Ms. Maxine Thomas, 1343 Ridgeway, addressed the Board. She stated the Congressional report is contradictory to the lead used in the water in the community. She emphasized the seriousness of the matter in regard to lead in water and lead dust and stated there needs to be more public awareness. She questioned what is going to be done about it in the future and added that each child, woman, and man in the community should be tested for lead.
- 3) Ms. Sandra Hebron, 756 Boston, addressed the Board. She stated she was not aware of the problem of lead poison until she attended classes and did some research herself. She asked several questions. President Collins made note of her questions and stated she will be contacted with a response.
- 4) Minister Suhkara A. Yahweh, 1775 Porter St., provided a handout to the Board. He discussed his concerns of lead in water based on a study released in December, 2012. He stated that scientific data needs to be made public. He expressed his concern of various diseases in children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren from the water. He suggested that the Board Members "look up" Dr. David Carpenter, Director of the Institute for Health and the Environment at the University of Albany, NY and also the American Academy of Environmental Medicine for the facts of these toxins.
- 5) Ms. Melissa Taber, 395 Bluff Ridge Cove, addressed the Board expressing her frustration of how a situation has been handled regarding rental property she owns, disconnection of services and removal of the meter. She stated she expected to pay the bill, but not the additional fees that have been added to the bill. She stated she was passed from one department to another with no results. Clint Richardson attended the meeting and took her with him to attempt to resolve the matter. President Collins advised anyone in the audience that may be a landlord, not to keep the utilities in their own names. It is advised that the utilities should be in the renters name to alleviate this sort of problem.

PRESENTATIONS:

MLGW 75th Anniversary - President's Remarks - <u>Jerry R. Collins, Jr.</u> gave a brief history of MLGW and presented the Board of Commissioners with a memento celebrating the 75th anniversary of MLGW. He thanked all of the employees for their hard work and dedication. <u>Commissioner Wishnia</u> stated he hopes MLGW will continue to provide great service at low costs to the customers for at least another 75 years. <u>Chairman Masson</u> expressed his thanks to the employees and stated he looks forward to a full year of celebration. He also stated that MLGW is a great asset to the community.

PRESIDENT'S BRIEFING:

Review of Consent Agenda - <u>Jerry R. Collins</u>, <u>Jr.</u>

(President's Briefing Continued on Page 4)

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 6)

RESULT:

APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER:

Steven Wishnia, Board Member SECONDER: Darrell T. Cobbins, Board Member

AYES:

Derwin Sisnett, Rick Masson, Steven Wishnia, Darrell T. Cobbins

CONSTRUCTION & MAINTENANCE DIVISION

- Resolution approving Change No. 2 to Contract No. 11517, Directional Boring, with 1. Memphis Road Boring Company, Incorporated, in the funded amount of \$1,252,400.00. (This change is to renew the current contract for the second of four (4) annual renewal terms covering the period July 2, 2014 through July 1, 2015 in the funded amount of \$846,200.00 which reflects no increase in rates from the previous year. In addition, this change is also to increase the quantities in unit 1B-1 (Boring Services 10" through 12" per foot) from 3400 to 3500 in the amount of \$18,800.00 and unit 1B-2 (Boring Services 18" through 20" per foot) from 0 to 1300 in the amount of \$387,400.00. The increased quantities are needed to complete projected jobs during the renewal period.) (Jozelle Booker) (REQUIRES CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL)
- Resolution approving Change No. 2 to Contract No. 11510, Roof Replacement at 2. Sheahan Pumping Stations with B Four Plied, Incorporated, with no increase in contract value. (This change is to extend the current contract term through June 1, 2014 to allow the contractor time to complete construction with no increase in contract value.) (Jozelle Booker)

CUSTOMER CARE DIVISION

(None)

ENGINEERING & OPERATIONS DIVISION

(None)

FINANCE DIVISION

Approving and adopting the Resolution in connection with the proposed issuance of Series 2014 Electric System Revenue Bonds. (Dana Jeanes) (REQUIRES CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL)

- 4. Resolution approving an extension of Purchase Order number 138713 with OfficeMax for office supplies and toners until June 30, 2014 or until a new contract has been executed. (Jozelle Booker)
- 5. Resolution awarding Change No. 8 to Contract No. 10793, Professional Portfolio Software with Advent Software Incorporated, in the funded amount of \$30,152.70. (This change is to renew the current contract for an additional term covering the period May 11, 2014 through May 10, 2015 in the funded amount of \$30,152.70. This change also reflects a 3% increase from the previous year due to continued development and enhancements of the products as well as the cost to support the product. MLGW is requesting continuous maintenance support of the acquired system, which can only be performed by Advent Software Incorporated.) (Jozelle Booker) (REQUIRES CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL)

GENERAL COUNSEL DIVISION

(None)

HUMAN RESOURCES DIVISION

6. Resolution approving the following positions: Position No. 06287, Systems Operator 2 and eight Inspector Contracted Services named as Position Nos. 06472, 06473, 06475, 06477, 06480, 06481, 06482, and 06486. (Jerry Collins)

INFORMATION SERVICES DIVISION

(None)

PRESIDENT'S DIVISION

(None)

PRESIDENT'S BRIEFING (Continued):

- 2. Health & Medical Benefits Report 4th Quarter 2013 <u>Charles Perry</u> summarized the details of the health and medical benefits report for the fourth quarter of 2013. He stated there will be a cost savings with Express Scripts and with co-pay changes in the future. He also noted that President Collins asked him to participate on a special Committee which consists of the City, County, and Board of Education to compare plans and possibly develop a uniform wellness program.
- 3. Other Jerry R. Collins, Jr.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 2:09 p.m. (See Minute File No. 1375.)

Approved Without Interlineation

Chairman

These Minutes Compiled by Undersigned and are Correct
Secretary-Treasurer