

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

# **Board Meeting**

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Thursday, October 17, 2013

1:30 PM

**Board Room** 

CALL TO ORDER AND OPENING REMARKS:

Chairman Wishnia

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Chairman Wishnia

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**ROLL CALL:** 

Dana Jeanes

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Derwin Sisnett	Board Member	Present	
Rick Masson	Vice Chairman	Present	İ
Steven Wishnia	Chairman	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; Christopher Bieber, Vice President, Customer Care; Von W. Goodloe, Vice President, Human Resources; and Lashell Vaughn, Vice President and Chief Technology Officer. The following staff members were absent: Nick Newman, Vice President, Construction and Maintenance and Alonzo Weaver, Vice President, Engineering and Operations.

### **APPROVALS:**

**Motion To:** Approve Minutes of Meeting of October 3, 2013.

**RESULT:** 

**ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]** 

MOVER:

Darrell T. Cobbins, Board Member

SECONDER: Derwin Sisnett. Board Member

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 October 1, 2013, Items 7 through 11 and Items 13 through 25, approved by the Board on September 18, 2013. (See Minutes File No. 1369)

## PRESENTATIONS:

1. <u>United Way and St. Jude Check Presentations</u> - <u>David Staggs</u> introduced <u>Brad Gates</u> who chaired a golf tournament at Quail Ridge Golf Course, with great success. It was noted that the MLGW/TVPPA Lineman Rodeo is involved in this golf tournament. A check for \$3,700 was presented to the Saint Jude representative.

<u>David Staggs</u> reported that the United Way Golf Tournament was very successful and <u>Faith Carter</u>, of United Way, thanked the MLGW employees and executives for remaining dedicated and contributing generously. A check was presented to United Way for \$9,000 to United Way representatives, <u>Faith Carter</u> and <u>Reginald Green</u>.

<u>Bob and Paulette White</u> of <u>Dog Search South</u> spoke of the search and rescue services their dogs, Ivan, Gunner, and Bella provide in emergency instances, due to the support received from United Way. They spoke of several incidents where the dogs had saved the lives of people of all ages and/or found missing persons in various circumstances. They also provided educational materials to those present at the meeting.

2. <u>United Way Presentation</u> - <u>Von Goodloe/Ashley Campbell/Kevin Watkins</u>. Von Goodloe commended Ashley Campbell and Kevin Watkins for their hard work and dedication in the fund raising drives for United Way. New fund raising events this year are a Halloween costume contest and a basketball tournament. It was noted the goal for this year is \$669,507. Mr. Goodloe gave accolades to MLGW employees for being the best "giving" company which he has been associated with.

## **GENERAL STATEMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:**

1. <u>Bill Hawkins</u>, 4000 Clearpool Circle, respectfully requested the Board to consider removing Item No. 14 from the Agenda. Mr. Hawkins distributed documentation and read excerpts from the document, including language from Article 21. He requested this be brought to the bargaining table and not be rushed. He noted that the government had delayed the Obama individual mandate for one year, the previous evening. <u>Jerry Collins</u> stated this is an additional option to the insurance plan for the employees, and pointed out nothing is being taken away. He noted the enrollment period is approaching; therefore, the item should be approved to allow an additional option to the employees' insurance plan. <u>Charles Perry</u> provided details in regard to premium, copay, and out-of pocket costs to the employee with the additional option.

## PRESIDENT'S BRIEFING:

1. Review of Consent Agenda - <u>Jerry R. Collins, 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 14)

**APPROVED [UNANIMOUS] RESULT:** 

MOVER:

Rick Masson, Vice Chairman

SECONDER: Derwin Sisnett, Board Member

AYES:

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

## **CONSTRUCTION & MAINTENANCE DIVISION**

- Resolution approving Change No. 3 to Contract No. 11416, Mobile Sweeping Cleaning, with Horizon of Memphis, Incorporated, in the funded amount of \$53,304.36. (This change renews the current contract for the third of four renewal terms covering the period March 1, 2014 to February 28, 2015, with no increase in rates from the previous vear.) (Jozelle Booker) (REQUIRES CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL)
- Resolution awarding a contract to Condux Tesmec, Inc., for the purchase of puller 2. tensioners and winder trailers in the amount of \$704,073.52. (Jozelle Booker) (REQUIRES CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL)
- Resolution approving the rejection of bids received up to 4 o'clock p.m., Tuesday, 3. August 20, 2013, for furnishing MLGW with one diesel powered, hydraulic wire puller/tensioner. (Jozelle Booker)

## **CUSTOMER CARE DIVISION**

- Resolution approving MLGW Customer Care Policy to be effective January 1, 2014. 4. (Christopher Bieber)
- Resolution approving Electric, Gas and Water Service Policy to be effective January 1, 5. 2014. (Christopher Bieber)
- Resolution approving Electric, Gas and Water Schedule of Charges to be effective 6. January 1, 2014. (Christopher Bieber)
- Resolution approving Resolution approving MLGW Incentive Policy to be effective 7. January 1, 2014. (Christopher Bieber)

## **ENGINEERING & OPERATIONS DIVISION**

- Resolution awarding contracts for gas pipe and fittings, to Supply Line of Memphis, in the amount of \$127,268.00 and Consolidated Pipe and Supply, in the amount of \$50,880.00. (Jozelle Booker) (REQUIRES CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL)
- Resolution awarding Contract No. 11625, Downtown Smart Grid to Ventyx, in the 9. funded amount of \$860,834.00. (Jozelle Booker) (REQUIRES CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL)

#### FINANCE DIVISION

- 10. Resolution approving Change No. 5 to Contract No. 11292, Cashiering System Replacement, with System Innovators, in the funded amount of \$320,876.00. (This change is for additional capabilities to the current Inovah System for the purpose of mail payment processing, credit card acceptance at Point of Sale (POS), and Project Inspire requirements in the funded amount of \$278,069.00. In addition, MLGW is also requesting annual support and maintenance due to this change in the funded amount of \$42,806.50. The term will remain through February 28, 2014. (Jozelle Booker) (REQUIRES CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL)
- 11. Resolution approving the Budgets for the Electric, Gas and Water Divisions for the 2014 operation and maintenance expenses and the 2014 capital expenditures, and to approve revisions to the Water Rate Schedules; TVA FCA Electric Rate Schedule. The resolution also petitions the Memphis City Council to convene as a rate making body in a public hearing on November 19, 2013, and authorizes the President to publish a public notice of the intention of MLGW to seek approval from the Memphis City Council of the electric and water rate revisions. (Jerry R. Collins, Jr.) (REQUIRES CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL)

## **GENERAL COUNSEL DIVISION**

12. Resolution approving Change No. 6 to Contract No. 11279, Third Party Administrator for Workers' Compensation, with Brentwood Services Administrators, Incorporated, in the funded amount of \$125,000.00. (This change is to renew the current contract for the fifth of six renewal terms for the period covering January 1, 2014 to December 31, 2014 with no increase in rates from the previous year.) (Jozelle Booker) (REQUIRES CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL)

Motion To: APPROVE REVISION AND SAME DAY MINUTES FOR ITEM NO. 13

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]

MOVER: Derwin Sisnett, Board Member

SECONDER: Rick Masson, Vice Chairman

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

### **HUMAN RESOURCES DIVISION**

- 13. Resolution approving revised Human Resources Policy No. 21-09, Employment of MLGW Retirees. (Jerry R. Collins, Jr./Von Goodloe)
- 14. Resolution approving an amendment to the MLGW Health Care Plan, to incorporate those specific provisions, required by the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act signed into law on March 23, 2010, as amended by the Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act of 2010. This adds an additional minimum coverage option to the OAP Plan for active employees only. The option is valued at approximately 60% AV with premiums at 52% of standard OAP active Plan option. (Von Goodloe)

### INFORMATION SERVICES DIVISION

(None)

#### PRESIDENT'S DIVISION

(None)

# PRESIDENT'S BRIEFING (Continued):

2. Other - Jerry R. Collins, Jr.

Mr. Henry Turley addressed the Board regarding a 200-unit apartment project in the downtown area for low income citizens of Memphis. The building is a 3-story building. He is requesting an exception to the policy regarding the gas incentive, which is \$100/unit. The current plan is to install efficient electrical appliances and materials. Jerry Collins pointed out that this is a wonderful project. He also noted that a 3-story building can be more problematic with gas.

<u>Clint Richardson</u> has been working on the project and also addressed the Board. He reported that approximately two more weeks are needed to complete the assessment, but as of today's date, it appears the project qualifies for all other incentives. Without the gas incentive, the approximate total incentive is \$50,000. With the gas incentive, it would equate to approximately \$80,000. <u>Commissioner Masson</u> stated a revision to the policy may be a better solution, if time is allowed. His concern of making exceptions to policies was expressed. Mr. Richardson explained due to the timing of the project, if an exception could be considered in this instance, a change to the policy could be presented to the Board in the near future.

Mr. Turley also thanked MLGW and the Board of Commissioners for past experiences in a previous project he was involved in.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS:

(None)

## ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 2:37 p.m.

SEE MINUTE FILE NO. 1370.

Approved Without Interlineation

Chairman

These Minutes Compiled by Undersigned and

are Correct

Secretary-Treasurer