



# Board of Light, Gas and Water Commissioners

220 S. Main Street  
Memphis, TN 38103  
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## Board Meeting

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Wednesday, August 6, 2025

8:30 AM

Board Room

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### CALL TO ORDER AND OPENING REMARKS:

Chairman Pohlman

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

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Chairman Pohlman

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

### ROLL CALL:

Rodney Cleek

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

### APPROVALS:

Chairman Pohlman

**Motion To:** Approve Minutes from the Meeting of July 16, 2025.

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

### CITY COUNCIL ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS & UPDATE:

Rodney Cleek

Acknowledged receipt of Certified Copies of City Council Resolutions dated July 22, 2025, Items 7 through 10. (See Minute File No. 1508)

### PRESENTATIONS:

(None)

**GENERAL STATEMENT(S) FROM THE PUBLIC:**

Chairman Pohlman read into record the policy and procedures for public comments at the Board Meetings.

Christopher Romel Taylor - 1966 Wynton - Mr. Taylor appeared before the Board to notify the Commissioners of several properties that he was involved with that had issues. Mr. Taylor spoke of bad wiring and needing assistance with his utility bill. Mr. Taylor made reference to some previous assistance that he had received, and was confused as to why he still owed so much money.

**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.

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**CONSENT AGENDA**

(Items 1 through 15)

**Motion To:** Approve Consent Agenda Items 1 through 15.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Mitch Graves, Board Member
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Cheryl Pesce, Board Member
<b>AYES:</b>	Michael Pohlman, Cheryl Pesce, Carl Person, Mitch Graves
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Leon Dickson

Advisory Board Member James Lewellen - Concurs

Advisory Board Member John Butler – Concurs

Commissioners had an opportunity to ask questions and make comments regarding Consent Agenda Items.

1. Resolution approving renewal and change (Change No. 1) to Contract No. 12383, Voice and Data Services with AT&T to change and renew the current contract in the funded amount of \$518,840.00. (Randy Orsby) (REQUIRES CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL)
2. Resolution approving renewal (Change No. 2) to Contract No. 12399 (solicited under Contract No. 12346), MLGW Utility Relocations for Street Improvement Project (Electric) to Gresham Smith to ratify and renew the current contract with no increase in the contract value. (Randy Orsby)

3. Resolution approving renewal (Change No. 2) to Contract No. 12346, MLGW Utility Relocations for Street Improvement Project (Electric) with Allen & Hoshall, Inc. to renew the current contract with no increase in the contract value. (Randy Orsby)
4. Resolution approving of extension (Change No. 4) to Contract No. 11723, EMS/SCADA, with Open Systems International (OSI), Inc. to change and extend the current contract in the funded amount of \$5,510,660.00. (Randy Orsby) (REQUIRES CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL)
5. Resolution approving renewal (Change No. 1) to Contract No. 12213, Hitachi/ABB Wireless Maintenance Services with Hitachi Energy USA Inc. to change the scope of work for the current contract in the funded amount of \$1,110,000.00. (Randy Orsby) (REQUIRES CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL)
6. Resolution approving renewal (Change No. 2) to Contract No. 12403 (solicited under Contract No. 12346), MLGW Utility Relocations for Street Improvement Project (Water) with Allen & Hoshall, Incorporated to renew the current contract with no increase in the contract value. (Randy Orsby)
7. Resolution approving renewal (Change No. 2) to Contract No. 12405 (solicited under Contract No. 12346), MLGW Utility Relocations for Street Improvement Project (Water) to Gresham Smith to ratify and renew the current contract with no increase in the contract value. (Randy Orsby)
8. Resolution approving renewal (Change No. 2) to Contract No. 12404 (solicited under Contract No. 12346), MLGW Utility Relocations for Street Improvement Project (Gas) to Gresham Smith to renew the current contract with no increase in the contract value. (Randy Orsby)
9. Resolution approving renewal (Change No. 2) to Contract No. 12402 (solicited under Contract No. 12346), MLGW Utility Relocations for Street Improvement Project (Gas) with Allen & Hoshall, Inc. to renew the current contract with no increase in the contract value. (Randy Orsby)
10. Resolution approving the issuance of, and recommending to and requesting that the City Council issue and sell, through negotiated sale, not to exceed \$250,000,000 principal amount of, Electric System Revenue Bonds, Series 2025 (Federally Taxable), pursuant to the Electric System Revenue Obligations Master Resolution, adopted by the Board on June 20, 2002, and by the City Council on July 2, 2002, as amended and supplemented by the Eleventh Supplemental Resolution. (Rodney Cleek) (REQUIRES CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL)
11. Resolution awarding Contract No. 12535, ESO Materials Storage Building to Standard Builders, Inc. in the funded amount of \$6,378,900.00. (Randy Orsby) (REQUIRES CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL)

12. Resolution approving renewal and change (Change No. 3) to Contract No. 12410 (solicited under Contract No. 12253), On-Call Consulting Services with Smith Seckman Reid, Incorporated to renew and change the current contract in the funded amount of \$1,063,602.00. (Randy Orsby) (REQUIRES CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL)
13. Resolution awarding Contract No. 12550, Brunswick Service Center Re-paving to Barnes & Brower, Inc. in the funded amount of \$786,260.85. (Randy Orsby) (REQUIRES CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL)
14. Resolution awarding Contract No. 12590, Security Enhancements to Convergent Technologies LLC in the funded not-to-exceed amount of \$1,221,330.00. (Randy Orsby) (REQUIRES CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL)
15. Resolution approving renewal and change (Change No. 3) to Contract No. 12630 (formerly Contract No. C2405), Customer Communication and Engagement with Convey (formerly Message Broadcast, LLC) to renew and expand the scope of work of the current contract in the funded amount of \$2,286,500.00. (Randy Orsby) (REQUIRES CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL)

## **PRESIDENT'S BRIEFING**

### **2nd Quarter Metrics Report - Daniel Hochstein**

Mr. Daniel Hochstein presented to the Board the 2nd Quarter Metrics Report. Mr. Hochstein reported on several items to include customer service, reliability, operations, infrastructure improvements, finances, safety and employees. All the information provided is available at MLGW.com.

### **2nd Quarter Ethics & Compliance Report - Ryan Groves**

Mr. Ryan Groves, Manager of Ethics and Compliance Department, presented to the Board the 2nd Quarter Ethics and Compliance Report. Mr. Groves spoke of inspections and audits that had taken place in the gas, water and electric divisions, as well as the results of those inspections/audits. Mr. Groves spoke of upcoming items that would be taking place as well as plans for improvement.

### **Other - Doug McGowen**

Chandrika Winston-Rosser, VP of Engineer and Construction of Water and Gas - Mrs. Winston-Rosser provided to the Board an update of the Weaver-Gill gas line replacement project. Mrs. Winston-Rosser provided a slide presentation showing the huge pipes as well as the large equipment that was being used. Mrs. Winston-Rosser described many of the issues that were faced and the changes that needed to be made. Mrs. Winston-Rosser thanked her team as well as the Corporate Communications team and the Security team. Mrs. Winston-Rosser stated that Commissioners were welcome



to come out and visit the sight, but that they would need to complete a safety video before doing so. Mrs. Winston-Rosser discussed the need for additional funding.

President McGowen discussed the Weaver-Gill project stating that he was pleased with how this project is going, and thanked the team for their hard work and dedication.

President McGowen discussed the straight line winds that knocked down 13 poles on Shelby Drive. President McGowen thanked the team for all your their hard work. President McGowen also mentioned the crews working in this extreme heat.

President McGowen showed the Board awards that our customer service department had received from TVA for our participation in the TVA Energy Right Program. President McGowen gave detailed information for the rewards and the various programs. President McGowen thanked Timothy Davis and John Lawrence for the hard work done by their teams.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

See President's Briefing

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:59 a.m. (See Minute File No. 1509)

Approved Without Interlineation

  
Chairman

These Minutes Compiled by Undersigned  
and are Correct

  
Secretary-Treasurer