Board of Light, Gas and Water Commissioners

220 S. Main Street
Memphis, TN 38103
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Board Meeting

~ Minutes ~

Wednesday, August 5, 2026 **8:30 AM** **Board Room**

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CALL TO ORDER AND OPENING REMARKS: ***Chairman Pohlman***

The meeting was called to order at 8:29 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	
James Lewellen	Board Member	Present	
John Butler	Board Member	Present	
Leon Dickson	Board Member	Remote	
Kevin Woods	Board Member	Present	

APPROVALS: ***Chairman Pohlman***

Motion To: Approve Minutes from the Meeting of July 15, 2026.

RESULT: **ADOPTED [6 TO 0]**
MOVER: Carl Person, Vice Chairman
SECONDER: Cheryl Pesce, Board Member
AYES: Pohlman, Pesce, Person, Lewellen, Butler, Woods
AWAY: Leon Dickson

Commissioner Dickson attended the meeting remotely and therefore did not vote.

CITY COUNCIL ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS & UPDATE: ***Rodney Cleek***

Acknowledged receipt of Certified Copies of City Council Resolutions dated July 21, 2026, Items 5 through 10. (See Minute File No. 1520)

PRESENTATIONS: ***Chairman Pohlman***

(None)

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

Chairman Pohlman read into record the policies and procedures for making public comments before the Board.

Rickey Lewis - 6399 Dimwood Cove

Glenda Hicks - 608 Gilleas Road

Dr. Ray Bauer - 755 University Street

Review of Regular and 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 70)

CONSENT AGENDA

(Items 1 through 17)

Motion to: Delete Item 14 from the Consent Agenda.

RESULT:	**DELETED [6 TO 0]**
MOVER:	Cheryl Pesce, Board Member
SECONDER:	Kevin Woods, Board Member
AYES:	Pohlman, Pesce, Person, Lewellen, Butler, Woods
AWAY:	Leon Dickson

Commissioner Dickson attended the meeting remotely and therefore did not vote.

14. Resolution awarding Contract No. 12651, MLGW Administration Building Elevator Modernization to Barnes & Brower, Inc. in the funded amount of $1,506,765.70. (Randy Orsby) (REQUIRES CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL)

Motion to: Approve Consent Agenda Items 1 through 13 and Items 15 through 17 with Same Day Minutes for Item 7 and Item 8.

RESULT:	**APPROVED [6 TO 0]**
MOVER:	Carl Person, Vice Chairman
SECONDER:	James Lewellen, Board Member
AYES:	Pohlman, Pesce, Person, Lewellen, Butler, Woods
AWAY:	Leon Dickson

Commissioner Dickson attended the meeting remotely and therefore did not vote.

Commissioners had an opportunity to ask questions regarding Consent Agenda Items. MLGW Staff responded.

1. Resolution approving the Ratification and Renewal (Change No. 3) 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)

2. Resolution approving the Ratification and Renewal (Change No. 3) to Contract No. 12404 (solicited under Contract No. 12346), MLGW Utility Relocations for Street Improvement Project (Gas) with Gresham Smith to ratify and renew the current contract with no increase in the contract value. (Randy Orsby)

3. Resolution approving the Ratification and Renewal (Change No. 3) 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)

4. Resolution approving of Extension (Change No. 1) to Contract No. 12617, Phase II Private Side Lead Service Line Replacement with Acuff Enterprises, Inc. to extend the current contract with no increase in the contract value. (Randy Orsby)

5. Resolution approving of Extension (Change No. 1) to Contract No. 12484, Water Filter System Upgrades with Grinder, Taber & Grinder, Inc. to extend the current contract with no increase in the contract value. (Randy Orsby)

6. Resolution approving the Extension (Change No. 5) to Contract No. 12247, Gas Transmission Right-of-Way (ROW) Mowing and Tree Trimming with ABC Professional Tree Services, Inc. to extend the current contract with no increase in the contract value. (Randy Orsby)

7. Resolution approving Northern Trust Asset Management's Collective Russell 100 Value Index Fund to manage $136,000,000 for the benefit of the MLGW OPEB Trust Fund, as part of a reallocation. (Rodney Cleek) (SAME DAY MINUTES REQUESTED)

8. Resolution approving Northern Trust Asset Management Russell 1000 Growth Index Fund to manage $136,000,000 for the benefit of the MLGW OPEB Trust Fund, as part of a reallocation. (Rodney Cleek) (SAME DAY MINUTES REQUESTED)

9. Resolution approving the Ratification, Renewal, Scope Expansion, and Increase (Change No. 2) to Contract No. 11821, NERC Compliance Management Solution Software with AssurX, Incorporated to ratify, renew, expand the scope, and increase the contract value in the funded amount of $256,045.33. (Randy Orsby) (REQUIRES CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL)

10. Resolution approving the Increase and Extension (Change No. 2) to Contract No. 12536 (formerly Contract No. C2624), Queue Management Solution with QLess Inc. to increase the contract value and extend the current contract in the funded amount of $115,441.63. (Randy Orsby)

11. Resolution awarding a purchase order for aerial tap arms to Engineered Sealing Components LLC in the amount of $263,951.68. (Randy Orsby)

12. Resolution awarding a twelve-month purchase order for 500 KCM wire with the option to extend for two, twelve-month periods to Brighter Days and Nites, Inc. in the amount of $504,813.00. (Randy Orsby) (REQUIRES CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL)

13. Resolution approving the Ratification, Renewal, and Increase (Change No. 3) to Contract No. 12516 (formerly Contract No. C2610), Security Automation Installation and Service Agreement with Access Control Integration, Inc., to ratify, renew, and increase the current contract in the funded amount of $187,000.00. (Randy Orsby) (REQUIRES CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL)

15. Resolution approving the ratification of Purchase Order Number 7034616 with Wesco Distribution Inc. for underground fittings in the additional amount of $256,519.07. (Randy Orsby)

16. Resolution ratifying the emergency award of Contract No. 12707, MLGW Netters HVAC Replacement with Trane U.S., Inc. to ratify the current contract in the funded amount of $2,790,687.45. (Randy Orsby) (REQUIRES CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL)

17. Resolution approving the Increase and Renewal (Change No. 1) to Contract No. 12584, MLGW Safety Boot Program with Tyndale Enterprises, Inc. to increase the contract amount and renew the current contract in the funded amount of $342,000.00. (Randy Orsby) (REQUIRES CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL)

PRESIDENT'S BRIEFING CONT'D: ***Chairman Pohlman***

4M Forum Presentation- Daniel Hochstein

Daniel Hochstein, Manager of Performance Engineering, reported to the Board of Commissioners the 2026 Second Quarter Performance Metrics known as the 4M Forum. The 4M Forum metrics information can be found on MLGW's website at www.mlgw.com/4M.

Commissioner had an opportunity to ask questions regarding the information provided. MLGW Staff responded.

Other - Doug McGowen

President McGowen addressed the public comments regarding MLGW Employees.

President McGowen briefed the Board on our next steps toward improving reliability in specific neighborhoods. President McGowen also updated the Board of the LIHEAP initiative.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: ***Chairman Pohlman***

(None)

ADJOURNMENT ***Chairman Pohlman***

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:55 a.m. (See Minute File No. 1521)

Approved Without Interlineation	These Minutes Compiled by Undersigned and are Correct
Chairman	Secretary-Treasurer