



Board of Light, Gas and Water Commissioners

220 S. Main Street
Memphis, TN 38103
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Board Meeting

~ Minutes ~

Wednesday, November 16, 2022

8:30 AM

Board Room

CALL TO ORDER AND OPENING REMARKS:

Chairman Graves

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Chairman Graves

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ROLL CALL:

Dana Jeanes

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Michael Pohlman	Board Member	Present	
Cheryl Pesce	Board Member	Present	
Carl Person	Board Member	Present	
Mitch Graves	Chairman	Present	
Leon Dickson	Vice Chair	Present	

APPROVALS:

Motion To: Approve Minutes from the Meeting of November 2, 2022.

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Michael Pohlman, Board Member
SECONDER: Leon Dickson, Vice Chair
AYES: Pohlman, Pesce, Person, Graves, Dickson

CITY COUNCIL ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS & UPDATE: Dana Jeanes

Receipt of Certified Copies of City Council Resolutions dated November 1, 2022, items 30 with same night minutes. (See Minute File Number 1475.)

PRESENTATIONS:

Operation Feed 2022 - Cliff DeBerry, Liz Williams, Joan Brown, and Latonya Alexander
- Cliff DeBerry told of the history of the Mid-South Food Bank explaining their primary focuses. He stated that \$1 will buy three wholesome meals. He complimented Liz Williams and Joan Brown for their hard work and efforts. He explained the role of the key people for each area. He had a power point presentation and showed slides of the mobile food pantry that MLGW sponsored, employees volunteered and made the event a success. Mr. DeBerry shared the amount of the funds raised in previous years. He

was happy to share that this year MLGW raised \$49,239. He mentioned that J.T. Young was the largest contributor, and all the leaders gave generously. Nicole Willis with the Food Bank was invited to the podium and thanked everyone for their participation and donations.

GENERAL STATEMENT(S) FROM THE PUBLIC:

1) Dennis Lynch, 347 N. McLean, stated he wrote a letter and sent it to the City Council and County Commission asking that MLGW not support the TVA LTA and remain with the current contract. He believes this will allow more time and flexibility for the future. He stated the "forever" contract is not the route he wants MLGW to go.

2) Tim Birchett, II, 625 Brister, explained he converts vehicles to hydrogen. He discussed Mason, TN the Ford Motor plant and the Blue Oval City and how they are building solar. He referenced an article from June 25, 2022 discussing the limitations that TVA has with renewable energy. He is concerned about no solar incentive. He also stated that he believes that GDS withheld information from the citizens. He is an advocate for hydrogen generated by solar.

3) Barry Moore, 715 Lake Meadow Cove, Collierville, he has a Bachelor of Science and has worked in public health, which included working in the county's environmental and ground water arenas. He asked why MLGW would consider a 20-year agreement. He believes protecting ground water is more important than ever and sees a correlation with the power decision. He discussed coal ash and his concerns with that. He also talked about various possibilities in the future and developments that could occur and how to protect our ground water. He believes the 5-year agreement should be approved for these reasons.

4) Pearl Walker, 5378 Loch Lamond Rd., stated she sent a letter to the board last week and copied the City Council and the Mayor. She wanted to share some of the comments from the letter. She discussed the IRP and RFP. She is requesting the board to have GDS and the staff to release the details of the assumptions to the public. She is opposed to the TVA LTA and is asking for more time and for MLGW to slow the process down.

5) Keshaun Pearson, 3914 North Lakewood Dr., introduced himself adding he is a board member of Protect Our Aquifer and is here on behalf of the community and primarily the 38109 community. He says he has lost three family members due to cancer and attributes that to the environment. He stated it's not a good idea to have a 20-year agreement, which would bind local entities. He stated TVA is providing a blanket solution and discussed 38109 environmental injustices and the influx in the economy that our nation has faced. He believes MLGW should remain agile and to do that would have to reject the LTA contract.

6) Aaron Lewis, III, 200 Napoleon Place, stated he had a discussion with Jerry Collins two days ago and what MLGW would gain with a 20-year contract. He believes a 3% savings is not of value versus the long-term commitment. He doesn't believe that TVA has a presence in economic development in Memphis. He believes that is all going to Nashville. He stressed with the buying power and the sizeable customer that MLGW is to TVA, they could do better and focus more on economic development. He does agree that TVA has done a good job and probably best to stay with TVA but stressed not to go with the LTA.

7) Dr. Rev. K. Andre Brooks, 384 Decatur St., stated his mentor set up the Mid-South Food Bank and didn't intend for it to be needed for 40 years. He stated we've become complacent and there is a lot of work to do in the community. He is opposed to the 20-year LTA with TVA and is asking for more transparency.

PRESIDENT'S BRIEFING:

1. Review of Consent Agenda - Alonzo Weaver

(President's Briefing Continued on Page 133)

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.

CONSENT AGENDA

(Items 1 through 5)

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Cheryl Pesce, Board Member
SECONDER:	Michael Pohlman, Board Member
AYES:	Pohlman, Pesce, Person, Graves, Dickson

VP of CUSTOMER EXPERIENCE and ENERGY SERVICES

(None)

CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICER

1. Resolution approving Change No. 4 to Contract No. 11966, MLGW Network Upgrade and Enhancement with ConvergeOne, Incorporated (formerly Venture Technologies, Incorporated) to change the current contract with no increase in the contract value.
(Randy Orsby)

CHIEF PEOPLE OFFICER

(None)

COMMUNITY & EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

(None)

DESIGN CONSTRUCTION & DELIVERY

2. Resolution approving Change No. 1 to Contract No.12247, Gas Transmission Row Mowing and Tree Trimming to ABC Professional Tree Services, Incorporated in the funded amount of \$753,308.00. (This change is to ratify and renew the current contract for the first of four annual renewal terms for the period covering August 16, 2022 through August 15, 2023.) (Randy Orsby) (REQUIRES CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL)
3. Resolution awarding Contract No. 12366, Large Directional Drilling to Memphis Road Boring Co., Incorporated in the funded amount of \$2,487,600.00. (Randy Orsby) (REQUIRES CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL)

ENGINEERING & OPERATIONS

4. Resolution awarding Contract No. 12387 (solicited under Contract No.12302), Substation Engineering Services (Asset Management) to Burns & McDonnell Engineering Company, Inc., in the funded not-to-exceed amount of \$300,000.00. (Randy Orsby) (REQUIRES CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL)

PRESIDENT

(None)

SVP, CFO & CAO, FINANCE

(None)

SVP, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER

(None)

SHARED SERVICES

5. Resolution approving the ratification of Purchase Order Numbers 7030455 to Stuart C. Irby Company and 7029663 to Industrial Sales Company of Memphis Inc., for gas pipe and electric pedestals in the total amount of \$578,096.48. (Randy Orsby) (REQUIRES CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL)

VP & GENERAL COUNSEL

(None)

PRESIDENT'S BRIEFING (Continued):

2. Greater Memphis Chamber Update - Ted Townsend provided an economic development update to the MLGW board. He shared that there are six major projects that have been committed to the Chamber area this year which will result in \$233 million in capital investments; 1,034 new jobs; and 138 retained jobs. He added that there are 56 potential projects and most likely a concern for MLGW because of potential power users. He added that the Chamber is getting more and more inquiries related to Ford

Motor Co.'s Blue Oval City project. Chairwoman Pesce asked him about the grant he spoke of at his last presentation. He explained that unfortunately, Memphis was not awarded the grant.

3. Other - Alonzo Weaver

Mr. Weaver acknowledged the relationship with the Chamber, adding we are always working together to improve it. Meetings are being held with the Chamber in relation to commercial businesses and the service provided by MLGW.

Mr. Weaver also told of three MLGW employees that were victims of a robbery while out on a job. Thankfully they were not hurt.

He informed the board that MLGW made presentations to the City Council members at the MLGW Committee meeting. Presentations included third party billing and billing structure. There was a lot of in-depth discussion. The budget was presented again, and questions were answered. The budget will go to full CC meeting at the first meeting in December.

Mr. Weaver thanked the public for taking the time to come today and sharing their comments.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

(None)

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:24 a.m.

(See Minute File No. 1476.)

Approved Without Interlineation


Chairman

These Minutes Compiled by Undersigned and
are Correct


Secretary-Treasurer