



Board of Light, Gas and Water Commissioners

220 S. Main Street
Memphis, TN 38103
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Board Meeting

~ Minutes ~

Wednesday, July 6, 2022

8:30 AM

Auditorium

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	Absent	

APPROVALS:

Motion To: Approve Minutes of the Meeting of July 6, 2022.

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

CITY COUNCIL ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS & UPDATE:

Dana Jeanes

Receipt of Certified Copies of City Council Resolutions dated June 21, 2022, items 14 through 22. (See Minute File No. 1471.)

REGULAR AGENDA – Item 1 - (No Vote Required)

1. Proclamation acknowledging posthumously, Larry Wayne Papasan, for his work, leadership, and contributions to MLGW and the City of Memphis.

Chairman Graves welcomed Past President Papasan's family. He spoke from a personal perspective of knowing Mr. and Mrs. Papasan. He read the proclamation into the record, which included Mr. Papsan's accomplishments during his leadership at MLGW, as well as other contributions he made to the City of Memphis as a whole. The family was presented with a framed proclamation.

PRESENTATIONS:

Oak Spring Baptist Church Check Presentation - Gale Carson

- Pastor Michael Martin
- George Wright, Servant Leader
- Chester Ragland, Servant Leader
- Rhonda Thompson, Recipient
- Gloria Smith, Recipient

Ms. Carson discussed The Gift of Comfort program, which was created in 2005. She shared that from 2005 to 2020, approximately 2,000 customers received assistance with a total of approximately \$500,000 in donations. Prior to 2021, customers were required to visit a community office or mail a check to contribute to the program. In 2021, the program was set up on the MLGW website and allows electronic contributions.

Ms. Carson stated today we are highlighting Oak Spring Baptist Church and pointed out they have done an amazing job in assisting residents in the 38053 and 38002 zip codes. Contributions made by OSBC since April, 2021 through today total \$52,428.74. The church selects the recipients.

Pastor Martin spoke and stated he is thankful to serve a church benevolent and supportive of the community. He introduced the Servant Leader Board members in attendance of the meeting. He stated the job of their church is to "shed light and be a light" of the community. He thanked Beverly Perkins for assisting with the program. The check was presented to the Chairman of the Board and the President/CEO of MLGW.

Ms. Thompson, a church member as well as a recipient of the Gift of Comfort program, stated she is very proud to be a member of Oak Spring Baptist Church. She told of another example that the church is helping with, which involves a young teenager and a work program.

Chairman Graves thanked the attendees from the church and stated we appreciate that they are carrying out God's work.

GENERAL STATEMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:

1) Carrie Dowdy, 1535 Ash St., addressed the board regarding the balance on her statement. Martrice Anderson attended the meeting and assisted Ms. Dowdy outside of the meeting room.

2) Justin Pearson, 3831 Masterson St., addressed the board and stated MLGW has a huge opportunity whether to stay with TVA or move to another power supplier. He wanted to make the board aware that he is opposed to gas plants that exacerbate the environment and long-term contracts. He discussed certain portfolios in the GDS presentation. He pointed out that TVA burned coal for over 60 years and his concern of remissions in the community. He did state that TVA is no longer doing that and are making improvements.

PRESIDENT'S BRIEFING:**1. Review of Consent Agenda - J. T. Young**

(President's Briefing Continued on Page 5)

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.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS] - Items 2 through 6 and Item 8

MOVER: Michael Pohlman, Board Member

SECONDER: Cheryl Pesce, Board Member

AYES: Michael Pohlman, Cheryl Pesce, Carl Person, Mitch Graves

ABSENT: Leon Dickson

CONSENT AGENDA

(Items 2 through 8)

CHIEF CUSTOMER OFFICER

(None)

CHIEF INFORMATION OFFICER

2. Resolution approving Change No. 2 to Contract No. 12309, Veritas NetBackup Maintenance with Thomas Consultants, Inc., in the funded amount of \$194,895.62. (This change is to renew annual maintenance for Veritas NetBackup Platform Base software licenses, maintenance, and support services for the i6000 tape library for the period covering October 1, 2022 through September 30, 2023 in the amount of \$166,034.64, with a 0.05% increase in rates from the previous term due to license and maintenance support. The cost was not negotiated since it was a very minimal cost that was accepted by the End User. In addition, this change is to ratify and expand the scope of the contract to include annual maintenance for the following Backup Appliances: 1) Two NetBackup Appliance 5240 (support and storage units that backup and restore data for the MLGW Data Backup Systems) in the amount of \$11,381.10 for the period covering June 29, 2022 through September 30, 2023; and 2) Two Ess 24Mo Ren NB App5240 103TB 4 1GB (hardware maintenance for 24 months for NetBackup Appliance 5240. MLGW has two big hardware units with hard drive storage in them to hold data.) in the amount of \$17,479.88 for the period covering June 29, 2022 through September 30, 2023. (Randy Orsby) (REQUIRES CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL)

CHIEF PEOPLE OFFICER

(None)

COMMUNITY & EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

(None)

DESIGN CONSTRUCTION & DELIVERY

(None)

ENGINEERING & OPERATIONS

3. Resolution approving Change No. 2 to Contract No. 11723, EMS/SCADA, with Open Systems International (OSI), Inc., in the funded amount of \$686,500.00. (This change is to increase the contract value to include the following: 1) Professional services to assist in implementing Distribution Automation (\$300,000.00); 2) SCADA Point Expansion for Distribution Automation implementation (\$226,000.00); 3) OpenNet Implementation for real time power flow analysis (\$130,500.00); and 4) Training credits for real time load flow analysis and EMS/SCADA support (\$30,000.00). (Randy Orsby) (REQUIRES CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL)
4. Resolution approving Change No. 2 to Contract No. 12150, Mallory Wash Water Recovery with Chris-Hill Construction Company, LLC., with no increase in the contract value. (This change is to extend the current contract through December 31, 2022. The contract extension is due to delays in the delivery of two Pratt 30" Butterfly Valves included with the project. The delay is from the manufacturer and beyond the Contractor's control.) (Randy Orsby)
5. Resolution approving Change No. 1 to Contract No. 12204, Distribution Automation Strategic Assessment, Road mapping and Master Plan with Burns and McDonnell in the funded amount of \$10,750.00. (This change is to ratify, extend, and change the contract value. In addition, this change is to expand the scope of the contract to include the following: 1) Wireless Communication Private LTE Network (PLTE) Total Cost of Ownership (TCO) Study and 2) Change Management Assessment. The original contract term was for the period covering April 22, 2021 through April 21, 2022. The contract term will be extended through December 31, 2022.) (Randy Orsby) (REQUIRES CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL)
6. Resolution approving Change No. 2 to Contract No. 12129, Watkins Bridge Over Loosahatchie River Main Relocation with Owens Irrigation, Incorporated, d/b/a Owens Construction Services of Tennessee with no increase in rates or the contract value from the previous term. (This change is to extend the current contract until December 31, 2022, with no increase in rates from the previous term, to allow the Contractor additional time to complete the project.) (Randy Orsby)

PRESIDENT

(None)

RESULT:	TABLED [UNANIMOUS] – Item 7 Held – Awaiting Cost Details from the City of Memphis
MOVER:	Mitch Graves, Chairman
SECONDER:	Michael Pohlman, Board Member
AYES:	Michael Pohlman, Cheryl Pesce, Carl Person, Mitch Graves
ABSENT:	Leon Dickson

SVP, CFO & CAO, FINANCE

7. Reference to the MLGW Board action on 4/20/2022 and the Memphis City Council action on 5/24/2022, that MLGW has been informed that instead of the Street Cut

Permit Fees of \$300 per cut) the City now intends to charge MLGW the Utility Cut Fees included as a part of the City Engineer's Procedures for a Right of Way Permit which include a minimum permit fee of \$750.00 plus a base area fee of \$25 per 10 square feet of utility trench cut ("Minimum Utility Cut Fee") on streets over five years in age plus an additional pavement impact factor (sometimes referred to as "Diminution in Value Fees"). (Dana Jeanes)

SVP, CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER
(None)

SHARED SERVICES

8. Resolution approving Change No. 1 to Contract No. 12281, Hickory Hill Service Center Repaving, with A & B Construction Company, Inc., with no increase in the contract value. (This change is to expand the scope of the contract to extend the current paving area north of the original design area, with no increase in the contract value. The cost of the project is \$218,634.55 and will be absorbed in the current contract value. The original design area terminated at the stored transformer area. The new paving area will continue upward and around the transportation garage and additional asphalt drives will be replaced as well. The contract term will remain January 15, 2022 through January 14, 2023.) (Randy Orsby)

VP & GENERAL COUNSEL
(None)

PRESIDENT'S BRIEFING (Continued):

2. Other - J. T. Young

President Young informed the Board that Dana Jeanes did an interview with the media last week to address some of the questions pertaining to utility bills and costs due to the increase in fuel prices. Mr. Jeanes responded stating that most of the attention was focused on residential bills, but we have increases in fuel cost through TVA. He explained that they are adjusted through a mechanism called the fuel cost adjuster which passes on to MLGW and we pass along to customers. He explained that element could change a typical customer's bill by about 20%. He went on to explain that as the additional consumption is built in and with warmer temperatures in the summer, that is another element; those combined effects can be somewhere in the 20% to 40% range. In the interview, several tips were released to the public on how to control some of the costs such as adjusting thermostats, using ceiling fans, and other energy saving tips. He added that we are monitoring fuel costs in the future, and they look as though they are coming down, primarily natural gas.

Chairman Graves asked some questions regarding TVA and Mr. Jeanes explained that natural gas has basically doubled. He noted that TVA generates roughly 20% of their power with natural gas. He also indicated this is not unique to TVA; this is a nationwide and global issue and other utilities are facing similar circumstances. He added that utilities that use more natural gas than TVA does, are seeing an even greater impact. TVA has a diverse portfolio where about 40% of their generation is nuclear. Mr. Jeanes stated the fuel cost adjuster is done monthly so there is a quick response to change the conditions. He explained how there is a continual balancing of collections of costs.

Commissioner Pesce asked if TVA would make a statement about this. She reinforced that she would like to see TVA in this instance share the responsibility, much like she had suggested that the City do the same regarding the street cuts (Item 7). Mr. Jeanes explained that TVA does a monthly press release on the fuel cost adjuster and some of the media outlets he spoke with last week were referred to TVA for their comments.

Commissioner Pesce asked if we could share the policy pertaining to temperatures and cut-offs as well as budget billing. President Young asked Martrice Anderson to explain the summer moratorium. She explained that the temperatures are analyzed daily. For seniors, if the temperatures reach 95 degrees or above, MLGW does not disconnect. However, for non-senior customers, if the temperature reaches 100 degrees or over, this applies to all residential customers. Commercial customers are not included in weather related moratoriums.

President Young gave "kudos" to MLGW employees that participated in the APPA Lineman Rodeo in June. He acknowledged the following:

Individual Lineman Competition: Colin Vinson - Won 3rd place in the Lightning Arrester Replacement Event

Lineman Team Competition: Shane Huston / James Smith (Devlin) / Shad Old/ Steve Person (Alternate)

Placed:

3rd - Hurtman Rescue Event

3rd - Lightning Arrester Replacement Event

2nd - Obstacle Course Event

4th - Overall

Apprentice Competition: Troy Huston and Spencer Linley competed and completed all events safely and without any deductions.

President Young informed the attendees that sadly, MLGW lost an employee, Terrance Brazell. He asked that everyone keep his family in our prayers.

Lastly, President Young thanked everyone for coordinating today's meeting which was held in the Auditorium of the Administration building, due to two elevators being down for maintenance.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

(None)

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:31 a.m.

(See Minute File No. 1472.)

Approved Without Interlineation

Mitch Graver
Chairman

These Minutes Compiled by Undersigned and
are Correct

Secretary-Treasurer