

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

## **Board Meeting**

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Wednesday, May 7, 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 8:29 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	
Mitch Graves	Board Member	Absent	
Leon Dickson	Board Member	Present	
James Lewellen	Advisory Board Member	Present	
John Butler	Advisory Board Member	Present	

APPROVALS: Chairman Pohlman

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

RESULT: ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Carl Person, Vice Chairman

SECONDER: Leon Dickson, Board Member

AYES: Michael Pohlman, Cheryl Pesce, Carl Person, Leon Dickson

ABSENT: Mitch Graves

CITY COUNCIL ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS & UPDATE:

Rodney Cleek

Acknowledged receipt of Certified Copies of City Council Resolutions dated April 22, 2025, Items 11 through 28. (See Minute File No. 1505)

#### PRESENTATIONS:

MLGW's 2024 "Sol-Man" Art Contest Winners - Ursula Madden

Ursula Madden, VP of Corporate Communication, announced the winners of the 2024 MLGW Poster Art Contest, Power League Superhero "SOL-MAN":

- K 2 Grade Category Winner is Priyan Kapadia, 2nd Grader from Crosswind Elementary
- 3 5 Grade Category Winner is Akshara Habbu, 4th Grader from Bailey Station Elementary
- 6 8 Grade Category Winner is Anvi Vijendra, 6th Grader from West Collierville Middle School
- 9 12 Grade Category Winner is Shinjini Ghosh, 9th Grader from Collierville High School

## GENERAL STATEMENT(S) FROM THE PUBLIC:

Chairman Pohlman read into record the policies and procedures for public comments at the Board Meeting

Dennis Lynch - 347 N. McLean - Mr. Lynch appeared before the Board speaking regarding xAI.

# 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 19)

Motion To: Approve Consent Agenda Items 1 through 19

**RESULT:** APPROVED [UNANIMOUS] MOVER:

Carl Person, Vice Chairman

**SECONDER:** Cheryl Pesce, Board Member

AYES: ABSENT: Mitch Graves

Michael Pohlman, Cheryl Pesce, Carl Person, Leon Dickson

James Lewellen - Concurs

John Butler - Concurs

President McGowen provided and update on Grid Modernization - Item #2

Advisory Board Member James Lewellen asked that we not include the entire Sourcewell Contracts in the Board Packet. Mr. Lewellen asked that we just include the highlights.

- Resolution awarding Contract No. 12525, Distribution UAV Inspection to UAV-Recon, LLC in the funded amount of \$3,249,540.00. (Randy Orsby) (REQUIRES CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL)
- Resolution awarding Contract No. 12526, Private 5G Wireless Network to Nokia Corporation in the funded amount of \$43,807,417.00. (Randy Orsby) (REQUIRES CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL)
- 3. Resolution approving the 2025 Electric, Gas and Water Service Policy Manual to be effective June 1, 2025. (Chandrika Winston Rosser)
- 4. Resolution approving Change No. 4 to Contract No. 12251, Aerator Maintenance with R. P. Services, Incorporated to renew the current contract in the funded amount of \$324,729.65. (Randy Orsby) (REQUIRES CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL)
- 5. Resolution approving Change No. 4 to Contract No. 12245, Well Abandonment with Layne Christensen Company to renew the current contract with no increase in the contract value. (Randy Orsby)
- 6. Resolution approving adding and removing Authorized Signers for several MLGW Bank Accounts due to personnel changes and new bank accounts. (Rodney Cleek)
- Resolution approving Change No. 2 to Contract No. 12029, Physical Archive Storage with Vital Records Control, LLC. to ratify, change and extend the current contract in the funded amount of \$222,156.07. (Randy Orsby) (REQUIRES CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL)
- 8. Resolution approving Change No. 6 to Contract No. 11928, Mobile Document (On-Site) Shredding Services with Vital Records Control, Incorporated to ratify, change and extend the current contract in the funded amount of \$116,161.28. (Randy Orsby) (REQUIRES CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL)
- 9. Resolution approving twelve-month extension of Purchase Order Number 7057247 with Engineered Sealing Components LLC for cable 600-volt. (Randy Orsby)
- Resolution awarding purchase order for mini excavators to First Choice Farm and Lawn in the amount of \$167,511.27. (Randy Orsby) (REQUIRES CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL)
- Resolution approving ratification of Purchase Order Number 7068505 to Wilson County Motors, LLC for four-wheel drive light duty trucks in the amount of \$283,656.04. (Randy Orsby) (REQUIRES CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL)

- 12. Resolution approving Change No. 4 to Contract No. 12175, Locksmith Services with Quality Safe and Lock Company, Incorporated to ratify and renew the current contract in the funded amount of \$50,000.00. (Randy Orsby) (REQUIRES CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL)
- Resolution awarding Contract No. 12502, MLGW Administration Building Garage Repairs Sealing Garage Floors to A&B Construction Company, Incorporated in the funded amount of \$187,070.40. (Randy Orsby) (REQUIRES CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL)
- Resolution awarding forty-eight-month purchase order for office supplies and toners to Staples Contract & Commercial LLC / Guy Brown LLC in the amount of \$2,406,123.75. (Randy Orsby) (REQUIRES CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL)
- Resolution awarding purchase order for excavators to Thompson Machinery Commerce Corp. in the amount of \$706,881.63. (Randy Orsby) (REQUIRES CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL)
- 16. Resolution approving proposed changes to the 2025 MLGW Incentive Policy to be effective June 1, 2025. (Timothy Davis)
- 17. Resolution approving Change No. 3 to Contract No. 12353, General Pest Control and Termite Services with Nu Era Pest Control to renew the current contract in the funded amount of \$59,406.00. (Randy Orsby) (REQUIRES CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL)
- 18. Resolution approving the proposed 2025 Customer Care Policy to be effective June 1, 2025. (Timothy Davis)
- Resolution approving Change No. 4 to Contract No. 12209, Courier Services with Deep South Delivery, LLC dba Diligent Delivery Systems (formerly Express Courier International, Incorporated) to renew the current contract in the funded amount of \$152,292.15. (Randy Orsby) (REQUIRES CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL)

#### PRESIDENT'S BRIEFING CONT'D

## MLGW 1Q Metrics Review - Valerie McKinney

Mrs. Valerie McKinney presented to the Board the first quarter of 2025 Metrics Report. The Metrics report includes information on Customer Service, Operations, Reliability, Infrastructure Improvements, Financial update, Safety and Employee updates. Mrs. McKinney also provided an update of the r2l initiative which includes transformer replacement, substation breaker replacement, underground cable replacement, distribution automation improvements, tree trimming, gas infrastructure replacement and water filter bed replacement. Mrs. McKinney provided an update on each and

stated that tree trimming has met their goal four months ahead of time. All of the information presented can be found at MLGW.com.

## Other - Doug McGowen

President McGowen addressed the delayed bills that were mentioned in the Metrics Report. President McGowen also mentioned the Lead Service Line Replacement Pilot stating that we got Federal Funding to replace Lead Service Lines, and that we will be hiring contractors to do this work. President McGowen mentioned the rise in Medical recordables and that we held a Company-wide Safety Stand-down to heighten awareness and discuss issues. President McGowen discussed the Weaver-Gill Project. President McGowen highlighted that we have surpassed our tree trimming goal for the year. Lastly President McGowen mentioned that people do pay attention to our meetings as our friends at Habitat for Humanity had already contacted him thanking the Board for passing the updates to the Customer Incentive Policy and how this policy was going to benefit customers.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

(None)

### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:07 a.m. (See Minute File No. 1506)

Approved Without Interlineation

Acting Chairman

These Minutes Compiled by Undersigned

Secretary-Treasurer