

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF DIRECTORS
OF THE WATER WORKS BOARD OF THE CITY OF BIRMINGHAM
January 11, 2018**

The regular meeting of the directors of The Water Works Board of the City of Birmingham was held on Thursday, January 11, 2018 at 9:00 a.m., at 3600 First Avenue North, Birmingham, Alabama.

The following Directors were present: Tommy Joe Alexander, Deborah Clark, Brett A. King, William “Butch” Burbage, Jr., Brenda J. Dickerson, George Munchus, William R. Muhammad, Ronald A. Mims and Sherry W. Lewis.

Inasmuch as all Directors were present, a quorum was in attendance.

The meeting was also attended by: Mac Underwood, General Manager; Darryl Jones, Assistant General Manager of Operations and Technical Services; Sonny Jones, Assistant General Manager of Engineering and Maintenance; Michael Johnson, Assistant General Manager of Finance and Administration; Tammy Wilson, Executive Assistant to Assistant General Managers, Sonny Jones and Darryl Jones; Grace Amison, Executive Assistant to the Board of Directors; K. Mark Parnell and Mary Thompson, Parnell Thompson, LLC; Kelvin Howard, Kelvin Howard, LLC; Jesse Lewis, Dorian Kendrick, Agency 54; Brian Ruggs and Patrick Flannelly, ARCADIS; David Merrida, Birmingham Construction Industry Authority; Nelda Thompkins, retiree; Theo Johnson, Volkert, Inc.; Chris Woods, C. W. Woods Contracting; Terrell Jones, Superintendent of Security; Barry Williams, Manager of Business Systems; Olivia Martin, State Attorney General’s Office; Carlos Chaverst, Outcast Voters League; Charles Hicks, LaJune White, Velma Waldrop, Lorraine Burke, Lucille Hubbard, Philemina Hill, II, John Nevels, D. Fleming, D. Broom, G. Brown, Iva Williams and David Russell, citizens; Reverend James Rutledge, Rising Star Church; Janice Bledsoe Fisher, CSJC; Jeff Sherrer, Blount County Commission; Jon Paepcke, WVTM 13.

Chairwoman, Sherry Lewis called the meeting to order at 9:04 a.m. and welcomed the meeting body. General Manager, Mac Underwood called on Information Technology Manager, George Anderson to open the meeting with prayer.

Following, was a request for the Board to elect officers of the Corporation for the 2018 calendar year, as set forth in agenda item 1. General Manager Mac Underwood declared all positions vacant and asked for nominations for Chairman of the Board of Directors for the Water Works Board of the City of Birmingham. Director Muhammad nominated Director George Munchus for Board Chairman. On a motion duly made and seconded, the nomination failed. Director King nominated Director Tommy Joe Alexander for Board Chairman and Director Burbage seconded the motion. On a motion duly made and seconded, the following resolution was adopted:

“BE IT RESOLVED, that Mr. Tommy Joe Alexander is hereby appointed Chairman/President of The Water Works Board of the City of Birmingham (“the Board”) and to serve as an Officer of the Corporation at the pleasure of the Board or until the next election of

Officers. On a motion duly made by Mr. Brett A. King and seconded by Mr. William “Butch” Burbage, Jr. Resolution No. 7678 is hereby adopted on January 11, 2018 by a roll call vote:

Director Lewis, Aye; Director Alexander, Aye; Director Clark, Aye Director Burbage, Aye; Director Mims, No; Director Munchus, No; Director Muhammad, No; and Director Dickerson, No; and Director King, Aye.”

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Next, GM Underwood opened the floor for nominations for First Vice Chair/First Vice President. Director Muhammad nominated Director Brenda J. Dickerson for First Vice Chair/First Vice President. On a motion duly made and seconded, the nomination failed. Director King made a motion to nominate Director Deborah Clark for First Vice Chairwoman and Director Alexander seconded the motion. On a motion duly made and seconded, the following resolution was adopted:

“BE IT RESOLVED, that Ms. Deborah Clark is hereby appointed First Vice Chairwoman/First Vice President of The Water Works Board of the City of Birmingham (“the Board”) and to serve as an Officer of the Corporation at the pleasure of the Board or until the next election of Officers. On a motion duly made by Mr. Brett A. King and seconded by Mr. Tommy Joe Alexander Resolution No. 7679 is hereby adopted on January 11, 2018 by a roll call vote:

Director Lewis, Aye; Director Alexander, Aye; Director Clark, Aye Director Burbage, Aye; Director Mims, No; Director Munchus, No; Director Muhammad, No; and Director Dickerson, No; and Director King, Aye.”

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Following, GM Underwood opened the floor for nominations for Second Vice Chair/Second Vice President. Director King mad a motion to nominate Director Brenda J. Dickerson for Second Vice Chairwoman and Director Munchus seconded the motion. On a motion duly made and seconded, the following resolution was adopted:

“BE IT RESOLVED, that Ms. Brenda J. Dickerson is hereby appointed Second Vice Chairwoman/Second Vice President of The Water Works Board of the City of Birmingham (“the Board”) and to serve as an Officer of the Corporation at the pleasure of the Board or until the next election of Officers. On a motion duly made by Mr. Brett A. King and seconded by Mr. George Munchus. Resolution No. 7680 is hereby adopted on January 11, 2018 by a roll call vote:

Director Lewis, Abstain; Director Alexander, Aye; Director Clark, Aye Director Burbage, Aye; Director Mims, Aye; Director Munchus, Aye; Director Muhammad, Aye; and Director Dickerson, Abstain; and Director King, Aye.”

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Next, GM Underwood opened the floor for nominations for Secretary-Treasurer. Director King nominated Director William “Butch” Burbage, Jr. for Secretary-Treasurer and Director Alexander seconded the motion. On a motion duly made and seconded, the following resolution was adopted:

“BE IT RESOLVED, that Mr. William “Butch” Burbage, Jr. is hereby appointed Secretary-Treasurer of The Water Works Board of the City of Birmingham (“the Board”) and to serve as an Officer of the Corporation at the pleasure of the Board or until the next election of Officers. On a motion duly made by Mr. Brett A. King and seconded by Mr. Tommy Joe Alexander. Resolution No. 7681 is hereby adopted on January 11, 2018 by a roll call vote:

Director Lewis, Aye; Director Alexander, Aye; Director Clark, Aye Director Burbage, Aye; Director Mims, No; Director Munchus, No; Director Muhammad, No; and Director Dickerson, No; and Director King, Aye.”

Following, GM Underwood opened the floor for nominations for Assistant Secretary-Treasurer. Director King nominated Director Ronald A. Mims for Assistant Secretary-Treasurer and Director Munchus seconded the motion. On a motion duly made and seconded, the following resolution was adopted:

“BE IT RESOLVED, that Mr. Ronald A. Mims is hereby appointed Assistant Secretary-Treasurer of The Water Works Board of the City of Birmingham (“the Board”) and to serve as an Officer of the Corporation at the pleasure of the Board or until the next election of Officers. On a motion duly made by Mr. Brett A. King and seconded by Mr. George Munchus. Resolution No. 7682 is hereby adopted on January 11, 2018 by a roll call vote:

Director Lewis, Aye; Director Alexander, Aye; Director Clark, Aye Director Burbage, Aye; Director Mims, Abstain; Director Munchus, Aye; Director Muhammad, Aye; and Director Dickerson, Aye; and Director King, Aye.”

Next, was a request for the Board to adopt a resolution approving the Board of Directors and the General Manager to travel to and from various cities to attend conferences/annual meetings for calendar year 2018, as outlined in the resolution, to pay any advances necessary and to reimburse all appropriate expenses incurred by the Board and the General Manager in connection with the respective conferences/annual meetings, as required by the Board’s and the Employees’ Travel Expense Reimbursement Policies, as set forth in agenda item 2. GM Underwood stated a line item had been added for the General Manager to travel to Washington, DC up to four times during the year in conjunction with AMWA and EPA regulations. On a motion duly made and seconded, the following resolution was adopted:

“BE IT RESOLVED By The Water Works of the City of Birmingham, on a motion duly made by Mr. Tommy Joe Alexander and seconded by Mr. Brett A. King, that the Board of Directors and the General Manager are hereby approved to travel to and from various cities to attend conferences/annual meetings for calendar year 2018, as listed below, to pay any advances necessary and to reimburse all appropriate expenses incurred by the Board of Directors and the General Manager in connection with the following said conferences/annual meetings, as required by the Board’s and the Employees’ Travel Expense Reimbursement Policies:

2018 CONFERENCES/MEETINGS SCHEDULE				
CONFERENCES/MEETINGS DATES	CONFERENCES/MEETINGS	LOCATION	HOTEL (RESERVATIONS RESERVED "RR")	DIRECTORS AND/OR GENERAL MANAGER (PLANNING TO ATTEND CONFERENCES/MEETINGS)
ANNUAL CONFERENCES THE BOARD AND/OR THE GENERAL MANAGER PLAN TO ATTEND				
February 12 – 14, 2018	Training 2018 Conference & Exposition "This conference is designed for learning, training and performance professional."	Atlanta, GA		
February 20 – 23, 2018	2018 Utility Management Conference – AMWA - WEPTC "This is a 'Utility Leader Forum' to hear the latest approaches, practices, processes, techniques, case studies, and research in all aspects of utility management."	San Antonio, TX	Hwy 82 Regency Riverwalk San Antonio, TX	
April 18 - 22, 2018	Forum 2018 National Conference - National Forum for Black Public Administrators "This Forum provides 'Waves of Change, Oceans of Opportunity Repositioning Our Communities for the Future'."	Cleveland, Ohio	Hilton Cleveland Downtown	Mina and Muhammad
June 11 - 14, 2018	AMWA Annual Conference & Exposition (ACE) – 2018 "The AMWA Annual Conference provides an environment where water professionals can be leaders and learn from leaders in the water industry."	Las Vegas, NV	Mandalay Bay Resort	
July _____, 2018	Alabama Society of CPAs (ASCPA) Annual Conference 2018 (for General Manager)	San Destin, FL		General Manager
September 5 - 7, 2018	2018 Annual Alabama Water Resources Symposium Conference "This is a Forum for all participants of Water Resources"	Orange Beach, AL	Perdido Beach Resort	
October 14 - 18, 2018	Alabama-Mississippi Section 2018 Conference – AMWA "A nonprofit scientific and educational society dedicated to the improvement of drinking water quality and supply."	Birmingham, AL	Sheraton – Downtown Birmingham	
OTHER CONFERENCES THE BOARD AND/OR THE GENERAL MANAGER MAY ATTEND				
March 18 – 21, 2018	2018 Water Policy Conference – Association of Metropolitan Water Agencies "The AMWA provides utility managers with a wealth of ideas and practical knowledge."	Washington, D.C.	The Liaison Capitol Hill Hotel	
October 14 – 17, 2018	2018 Annual Executive Management Conference Association of Metropolitan Water Agencies "The Association of Metropolitan Water Agencies serves CEOs and general managers by providing tools for competitiveness and management."	San Francisco, CA		
October 15 – 17, 2018	SAP for Utilities 2018 "SAP offers utility leaders, managers, directors and other utility professionals with best practices, innovative ideas..."	San Antonio, TX	Grand Hyatt – San Antonio, TX	
DATES TO BE DETERMINED (As Needed)	Various trips in 2018 to meet with rating agencies and bond underwriters – NYC	New York, NY		
DATES TO BE DETERMINED	General Manager (As AMWA President) to visit Washington, D.C. to meet with AMWA and EPA (As Needed)	Washington, D.C.		General Manager

NOTE: The General Manager has been appointed as President of Board of Directors of the Association of Metropolitan Water Agencies.
Prepared by: Jesse Anker

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that prepayment of registration and workshop fees are hereby approved for the Board of Directors, the General Manager and other Board employees as set out above for the referenced conferences/seminars/annual meetings.

Resolution No. 7683 is hereby adopted on January 11, 2018.”

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Following, was a request to approve Director King’s mileage expense and a lunch meeting reimbursement for December 2017 in the amount of \$168.82, as set forth in agenda item 3. GM Underwood reminded the Board that there is a formal resolution which was approved by the Board that states if there is a meeting, that meeting minutes should be drafted following the meeting to show there was a meeting and tell what was discussed. On a motion duly made and seconded, the following resolution was adopted:

“WHEREAS, the Board of Directors has adopted a Travel Expense Reimbursement Policy, as amended; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Act No. 2015-164, approval is requested for the following mileage expense reimbursement.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, on a motion made by Mr. Tommy Joe Alexander and seconded by Mr. William "Butch" Burbage, Jr., that the following board member(s) be reimbursed for his mileage expense reimbursements as follows:

- Brett King for mileage and a lunch meeting expense reimbursement for December 2017 in the amount of \$168.82 (as itemized on the attached Expense Report).

Resolution No. 7684 is hereby adopted on January 11, 2018, by a roll call vote: Director Lewis, Aye; Director Alexander, Aye; Director Clark, Aye; Director Burbage, Aye; Director Mims, Aye; Director Munchus, No; Director Muhammad, No; and Director Dickerson, Aye; and Director King, Abstain."

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Next, were requests for the Board to adopt resolutions authorizing retirement benefits from the Board's Retirement Trust Fund, as stated on the respective retirement calculations, effective February 1, 2018, and commending them for their years of service, as set forth in agenda items 4.1 through 4.3. On a motion duly made and seconded, the following resolutions were adopted:

"WHEREAS, Jay Trimm, an employee of The Water Works Board of the City of Birmingham, is retiring, effective February 1, 2018, after 30 years of service with the Board; and

WHEREAS, management has informed the Board of Jay Trimm's efficiency, reliability, and loyal service which contributed to the effective operation and growth of The Water Works Board of the City of Birmingham; and

WHEREAS, Jay Trimm, leaves behind a record which deserves a sincere word of gratitude for a job well done; and the Board does hereby express its best wishes for many happy years ahead.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Directors of the Water Works Board of the City of Birmingham, Jay Trimm is hereby commended for his efficiency, reliability, and loyal service to the Board.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that in recognition of Jay Trimm's services to the Board, a copy of this resolution be spread upon the minutes of The Water Works Board of the City of Birmingham and an official resolution presented to Mr. Trimm.

Resolution No. 7685 is hereby adopted on January 11, 2018."

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"WHEREAS, Jay Trimm, an employee of The Water Works Board of the City of Birmingham ("the Board"), is retiring, effective February 1, 2018, at an age of 49; and

WHEREAS, Jay Trimm has 30 years of continuous service with the Board at his retirement date, and, in accordance with the terms of the Trusteed Pension Plan, Mr. Trimm is entitled to receive a monthly Retirement payment from the Board's Retirement Trust Fund in the amount of \$4,431.49; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED By the Board of Directors of The Water Works Board of the City of Birmingham, on motion duly made by Mr. George Munchus and seconded by Ms. Brenda J. Dickerson, that the Trustee be, and is hereby instructed to pay monthly benefit payments of \$4,431.49 to Mr. Trimm, beginning February 1, 2018, from the Board's Retirement Trust Fund, in accordance with the terms of the Pension Plan.

Resolution No. 7686 is hereby adopted on January 11, 2018.”

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“WHEREAS, Floyd Stephens, an employee of The Water Works Board of the City of Birmingham, is retiring, effective February 1, 2018, after 32 years and 8 months of service with the Board; and

WHEREAS, management has informed the Board of Floyd Stephen's efficiency, reliability, and loyal service which contributed to the effective operation and growth of The Water Works Board of the City of Birmingham; and

WHEREAS, Floyd Stephens, leaves behind a record which deserves a sincere word of gratitude for a job well done; and the Board does hereby express its best wishes for many happy years ahead.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Directors of the Water Works Board of the City of Birmingham, Floyd Stephens is hereby commended for his efficiency, reliability, and loyal service to the Board.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that in recognition of Floyd Stephen's services to the Board, a copy of this resolution be spread upon the minutes of The Water Works Board of the City of Birmingham and an official resolution presented to Mr. Stephens.

Resolution No. 7687 is hereby adopted on January 11, 2018.”

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“WHEREAS, Floyd Stephens, an employee of The Water Works Board of the City of Birmingham ("the Board"), is retiring, effective February 1, 2018, at an age of 69; and

WHEREAS, Floyd Stephens has 32 years and 8 months of continuous service with the Board at his retirement date, and, in accordance with the terms of the Trusteed Pension Plan, Mr. Stephens is entitled to receive a monthly Retirement payment from the Board's Retirement Trust Fund in the amount of \$7,069.75; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED By the Board of Directors of The Water Works Board of the City of Birmingham, on motion duly made by Mr. George Munchus and seconded

by Ms. Brenda J. Dickerson, that the Trustee be, and is hereby instructed to pay monthly benefit payments of \$7,069.75 to Mr. Stephens, beginning February 1, 2018, from the Board's Retirement Trust Fund, in accordance with the terms of the Pension Plan.

Resolution No. 7688 is hereby adopted on January 11, 2018."

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"WHEREAS, Alpha Johnson, an employee of The Water Works Board of the City of Birmingham, is retiring, effective February 1, 2018, after 19 years and 7 months of service with the Board; and

WHEREAS, management has informed the Board of Alpha Johnson's efficiency, reliability, and loyal service which contributed to the effective operation and growth of The Water Works Board of the City of Birmingham; and

WHEREAS, Alpha Johnson, leaves behind a record which deserves a sincere word of gratitude for a job well done; and the Board does hereby express its best wishes for many happy years ahead.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, By the Board of Directors of the Water Works Board of the City of Birmingham, Alpha Johnson is hereby commended for his efficiency, reliability, and loyal service to the Board.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that in recognition of Alpha Johnson's services to the Board, a copy of this resolution be spread upon the minutes of The Water Works Board of the City of Birmingham and an official resolution presented to Mr. Johnson.

Resolution No. 7689 is hereby adopted on January 11, 2018."

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"WHEREAS, Alpha Johnson, an employee of The Water Works Board of the City of Birmingham ("the Board"), is retiring, effective February 1, 2018, at an age of 60; and

WHEREAS, Alpha Johnson has 19 years and 7 months of continuous service with the Board at his retirement date, and, in accordance with the terms of the Trusteed Pension Plan, Mr. Johnson is entitled to receive a monthly Retirement payment from the Board's Retirement Trust Fund in the amount of \$1,658.89; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED By the Board of Directors of The Water Works Board of the City of Birmingham, on motion duly made by Mr. George Munchus and seconded by Ms. Brenda J. Dickerson, that the Trustee be, and is hereby instructed to pay monthly benefit payments of \$1,658.89 to Mr. Johnson, beginning February 1, 2018, from the Board's Retirement Trust Fund, in accordance with the terms of the Pension Plan.

Resolution No. 7690 is hereby adopted on January 11, 2018."

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Next, was a request for the Board to approve payment for the following invoices, as set forth in agenda items 5.1 through 5.4. GM Underwood indicated management has reviewed the invoices and recommends them for approval. Director Munchus made a motion to approve payments of invoices and Director Burbage seconded the motion. Director Dickerson asked if the \$45,722.50 was part of the General File Summary regarding Parnell Thompson, LLC’s general fee. Attorney Thompson responded yes. Director Dickerson asked what the phrase “review of various subpoenas and documents and phone calls to attorneys” was. Attorney Howard responded that the BWWB gets subpoenas for records for cases involving their customers or employees, in which the BWWB isn’t involved such as in instances of custody of minors or a divorce case when records are subpoenaed. Director Dickerson asked about the work mentioned related to Liberty Park. GM Underwood stated the Board required Liberty Park to meet BWWB’s Watershed Protection Plan Agreements prior to starting a proposed shopping area. Director Dickerson asked about the attorney firm reviewing a “Coal and Ash in Rivers” article. GM Underwood stated Staff pays close attention to anything regarding the Warrior River Watershed that might impact BWWB’s ability to treat water and it involves review of previous cases as well. Director Munchus questioned Liberty Park and other developers starting projects without proper approvals. GM Underwood stated sometimes developers begin a project before getting proper approvals first. Director Munchus stated he was in favor of making it into law that developers have proper approvals first. AGM Sonny Jones stated someone oversees the Cahaba River Watershed, but Liberty Park is a little different. Years ago, Liberty Park established a covenant on their property that they must comply with due to BWWB providing their water service. Director Muhammad asked if the general consulting fee for Parnell Thompson, LLC, is itemized. GM Underwood stated the summary was in Diligent and Staff has the detail if the Board wants to see it. On a motion duly made and seconded, the following resolution was adopted:

“BE IT RESOLVED By The Water Works Board of the City of Birmingham (“the Board”), on a motion duly made by Mr. George Munchus and seconded by Mr. William “Butch” Burbage, Jr., that the Board hereby authorizes staff to execute payments to the following:

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| 5.1 | <u>Terminus Municipal Advisors, LLC</u>
For professional services performed in December 2017 | <u>\$ 6,500.00</u> |
| 5.2 | <u>Volkert, Inc.</u>
For professional services performed in September 2017 | <u>\$ 78,939.26</u> |
| 5.3 | <u>ARCADIS U. S., Inc.</u>
For professional services performed per November 2017
Progress Report | <u>\$229,848.85</u> |
| 5.4 | <u>Parnell Thompson, LLC</u>
For professional services performed in December 2017 | <u>\$ 87,662.80</u> |

Resolution No. 7691 is hereby adopted on January 11, 2018.”

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Following, was a request for the Board to award bids to Consolidated Pipe, the lowest responsible and responsive bidder, for estimated quantities of Curb Stops (Annual), at an estimated out-of-pocket cost to the Board of \$50,289.22, Consolidated Pipe, the lowest responsible and responsive bidder, for estimated quantities of Unions (Annual), at an estimated out-of-pocket cost to the Board of \$98,855.55 and Bulls Construction Group, LLC., the lowest responsible and responsive bidder, to pressure wash and paint clearwells at Shades Mountain Filter Plant, Putnam Filter Plant, and Carson Filter Plant for a bid amount of \$499,731.00, as set forth in agenda item 6.1 through 6.3 Director Munchus noted 6.1 and 6.2 do not have any HUB participation. Director Muhammad asked what type of HUB participation does item 6.3 consist of. AGM Sonny Jones responded that the owner is a black male. On a motion duly made and seconded, the following resolution was adopted:

“BE IT RESOLVED By The Water Works Board of the City of Birmingham (“the Board”), on a motion duly made by Mr. George Munchus and seconded by Mrs. Brenda J. Dickerson, that the Board hereby authorizes staff to award bids on the following:

- 6.1 Consolidated Pipe, the lowest responsible and responsive bidder, for estimated quantities of Curb Stops (Annual), at an estimated out-of-pocket cost to the Board of \$50,289.22.
- 6.2 Consolidated Pipe, the lowest responsible and responsive bidder, for estimated quantities of Unions (Annual), at an estimated out-of-pocket cost to the Board of \$98,855.55.
- 6.3 Bulls Construction Group, LLC., the lowest responsible and responsive bidder, to pressure wash and paint clearwells at Shades Mountain Filter Plant, Putnam Filter Plant, and Carson Filter Plant for a bid amount of \$499,731.00. [Note: General Contractor is 100% HUB, Subcontractor is 10% HUB].

Resolution No. 7692 is hereby adopted on January 11, 2018.”

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Under old business, Director Munchus asked for information from the December 21st Board Meeting. Director Munchus asked for the invitations to bid for items 6.1, 6.2, 6.5 and 6.6, adding he was going to continue to press the HUB participation issue in 2018 because there was no HUB participation on these items. Director Munchus commended the Staff for making notes on the HUB participation. Director Muhammad asked if there was a detailed year-end HUB participation report. AGM Michael Johnson stated that should be available after the first of the year. Director King asked if there was an update on moving the Pension Funds as recommended by Morgan Stanley to Hamilton Lane to invest in the private debt market to try and capture some gains. GM Underwood stated Staff would schedule another Executive Committee Meeting in the next couple of weeks adding this required the Board’s approval to direct the manager. Director King asked the Chairman if he would plan a Strategic Planning Session soon. GM Underwood

stated Staff would try and set up two sessions, one in mid-February and one in mid-March. Director Muhammad asked if money can be moved within the pension plan or other monies without the Board's knowledge. GM Underwood stated with what has already been approved it can be moved in accordance with the Investment Policy Statement, however; a new manager, which was discussed in November or December requires Board approval.

Next, speakers were recognized. Reverend James Rutledge, Jr. asked for clarity on a water bill his church received in December 2017. He was told by Customer Service he could not discuss the bill unless he had a tax identification number which he did not have at the time. AGM Michael Johnson stated Customer Service was waiting outside the meeting room to assist him. Velma T. Waldrop stated the environment at BWWB was not welcoming and the meeting space was like a hole in the wall. Ms. Waldrop stated she understood Mayor Woodfin asked two BWW Board members to resign and they refused. Ms. Waldrop asked how someone who has been indicted could still be on the Board adding everything will eventually come to the light. Ms. Waldrop stated she demanded answers and she would be back. Director Munchus stated everyone was not in disagreement with her including him. David Russell wished everyone a Happy New Year. Mr. Russell stated he was very disappointed in the Chairman appointment today. Mr. Russell stated there was a Director on the Board with a Ph.D. that has been on the Board longer than anyone and in fact there are two with Ph.D's and he asked what kind of degree Chairman Alexander had. Mr. Russell stated he has done things to put people of color in position. Mr. Russell said he wants to know how many black contractors BWWB has already and what happened to the money gained when the City of Birmingham lost the water system. Iva Williams stated he wrote an open letter to Chairwoman Lewis. Mr. Williams stated nothing on that list was addressed under the leadership of an African American. Mr. Williams stated we are now under the leadership of a white man, not even from the City of Birmingham. Mr. Williams stated he would re-submit the same letter to Chairman Alexander asking for consideration for minority contracts and service to the poor.

As there was no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 9:59 a.m.

/s/
Tommy Joe Alexander
Chairman/President

Attest:

/s/
William "Butch" Burbage, Jr.
Secretary-Treasurer