

**Minutes of
Engineering And Maintenance Committee Meeting
of The Water Works Board
of The City Of Birmingham
July 12, 2023**

An Engineering and Maintenance Committee Meeting of the directors of The Water Works Board of the City of Birmingham was held on Wednesday, July 12, 2023, at 12:30 p.m. or immediately following the Regular Board of Directors' Meeting, at the Birmingham Water Works Board, 3600 First Avenue North, Training Room, to discuss engineering and maintenance issues. The Public has the option to listen by phone by calling (888) 398-2342 Code: 5608731.

The following Committee members were present via roll call: Dalton NeSmith (Chair), Tom Henderson and Ronald A. Mims (by phone). Board members William "Butch" Burbage, Jr., Tereshia Huffman, George Munchus and Mashonda Taylor were also present.

Others present were: Michael Johnson, General Manager; Derrick Murphy and Iris Fisher, Assistant General Managers; Tammy Wilson, Executive Assistant to Derrick Murphy; Cynthia Williams, Board Administrator; Anitra Clark, Corporate Governance Specialist; Colandus Mason, Information Technology Manager; Rosalind Jones, MGRA-Accounting Manager; Jackie Hill, Accounting Manager; David Walker, Security Manager; Anthony Hazel, Security Superintendent; Rick Jackson, Public Relations Manager; Matthew Shiver, Purchasing Manager; Jarrod Shotts, Regulatory Compliance Officer; Derrick Maye, Employee Association President; Jeff Wade and Charles McGee, Electrical and Mechanical Shop; Mark Parnell, Parnell Thompson, LLC; Kelvin Howard, Kelvin Howard, LLC; Byron Perkins, Perkins Law, LLC; Olivia Martin, Office of Attorney General; Michael Bell, Birmingham Construction Industry Authority; Patrick Flannelly, ARCADIS U.S., Inc

Committee chair, Dalton NeSmith called the meeting to order at 12:27 p.m. A roll call confirmed two Committee members were present and one Committee member was present by phone, so there was a quorum. Also in attendance were William "Butch" Burbage, Jr., Tereshia Huffman, George Munchus and Mashonda Taylor.

Next, a motion was made and seconded, and the Committee unanimously approved the July 12, 2023, Engineering and Maintenance Committee agenda, in a roll call vote.

Following, the Committee was asked to approve the May 10, 2023, Engineering and Maintenance Committee meeting minutes, as set forth in agenda Item 1. A motion was made and seconded, and the Committee unanimously approved the referenced minutes, in a roll call vote. There were no Reports of Officers, and no Unfinished Business.

Next, under New Business, the Committee was asked to recommend to the Board to extend the Service Contract for LIMS (Laboratory Information Management System) at an out-of-pocket cost of \$30,286.11, to be effective for an additional one-year period beginning July 1, 2023, and ending June 30, 2024, as set forth in agenda Item 2. A motion was made and seconded, and the Committee unanimously recommended to move the referenced item to the Board for approval, in

a roll call vote. Director NeSmith asked Staff to be attentive to expiration dates prior to contracts expiring.

Following, the Committee was asked to recommend to the Board to award bid to Consolidated Pipe Company, the lowest responsible and responsive bidder, for two (2) 20" Resilient Seated Gate Valves, at an out-of-pocket cost of \$31,474.00; and to authorize the General Manager and/or Assistant General Manager to execute the agreement, as set forth in agenda Item 3. A motion was made and seconded, and the Committee unanimously recommended to move the referenced item to the Board for approval, in a roll call vote.

Next, the Committee was asked to recommend to the Board to ratify Emergency Work awarded to Rast Construction, for bridge repair, that crosses the Lake Purdy 30" reinforced concrete pipe, at an estimated out-of-pocket cost of \$79,850.00, as set forth in agenda Item 4. A motion was made and seconded, and the Committee unanimously recommended to move the referenced item to the Board for approval, in a roll call vote. Director Mims asked for an explanation of how the emergency work came about. Assistant General Manager Murphy explained that the collapsed 30-inch reinforced concrete pipe culvert positioned under the bridge was causing erosion control issues and impacting the subsurface of the bridge, which caused a public health and safety concern.

Following, the Committee was asked to recommend to the Board to exercise its bid option, to extend an agreement, for a one-year, with Pritchard Industries, the lowest responsible and responsive bidder, for Custodial Services, at an estimated out-of-pocket cost of \$296,130.00; and to authorize the General Manager and/or Assistant General Manager to execute the agreement, as set forth in agenda Item 5. A motion was made and seconded, and the Committee unanimously recommended to move the referenced item to the Board for approval, in a roll call vote.

Next, the Committee was asked to recommend to the Board to award bid to Ranger Environmental, the lowest responsible and responsive bidder, for hydra excavation of lead service lines, at an out-of-pocket cost of \$335,950.00; and to authorize the General Manager and/or Assistant General Manager to execute the agreement, as set forth in agenda Item 6. A motion was made and seconded, and the Committee unanimously recommended to move the referenced item to the Board for approval, in a roll call vote.

Following, the Committee was asked to recommend to the Board to award bid to Consolidated Pipe Co., the lowest responsible and responsive bidder, for estimated annual quantities of Non-AIS certified Tapping Sleeves, at an estimated out-of-pocket cost of \$111,287.00; and to award bid to Ferguson Water Works, the lowest responsible and responsive bidder, for estimated annual quantities of AIS certified Tapping Sleeves, to replenish inventory in the warehouse, at an estimated out-of-pocket cost of \$237,484.80; and to authorize the General Manager and/or Assistant General Manager to execute the agreements, as set forth in agenda Item 7. A motion was made and seconded, and the Committee unanimously recommended to move the referenced item to the Board for approval, in a roll call vote. Director Henderson asked about the difference in AIS and Non-AIS tapping sleeves. AGM Murphy stated that the AIS tapping sleeves are an EPA rule, which follows the *Made in America* requirement.

Next, the Committee was asked to recommend to the Board to exercise its bid option to extend (second extension), a one-year agreement with Landscape Unlimited of Alabama LLC, the lowest responsible and responsive bidder, for landscaping restoration, throughout the limits of the Board's distribution system, at an estimated out-of-pocket cost of \$1,549,117.50; and to authorize the General Manager and/or Assistant General Manager to execute the agreement, as set forth in agenda Item 8. A motion was made and seconded, and the Committee unanimously recommended to move the referenced item to the Board for approval, in a roll call vote. Director Mims asked if this landscape group is the one that follows Birmingham Water Works crews. AGM Murphy responded that it is.

As there was no further business, a motion was made and seconded, and the Committee adjourned, in a roll call vote, at 12:39 p.m.

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Michael Johnson
General Manager

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Dalton NeSmith
Assistant Secretary-Treasurer

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Thomas E. Henderson
Director

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Ronald A. Mims
Second Vice-Chairman