

BUSINESS OFFICE, 4725 MOFFETT ROAD, MOBILE, ALABAMA
November 4, 2024

The Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners of the City of Mobile met this Monday in their regular session at 1:30 p.m. at MAWSS' Park Forest Plaza.

PRESENT:

Mr. Thomas Zoghby, Vice Chair
Mr. John C. Williams, Secretary-Treasurer
Ms. Barbara Drummond, Commissioner
Ms. Maria Gonzalez, Commissioner
Ms. Linda St. John, Commissioner
Mr. Jay W. Weber, Commissioner

Mr. Bud McCrory, Jr., Director
Mr. Bradley Dean, Attorney
Mr. Douglas L. Cote
Mr. Daryl Russell
Ms. Calressia Clark
Ms. Fatima Washington

ABSENT:

Mr. Raymond L. Bell, Jr., Chair

Commissioner Zoghby called the meeting to order and gave the invocation.

Commissioner Drummond briefly reported on the **Ad Hoc Committee Meeting** held this morning at 10:30 a.m. There were no **Visitors** present requesting an audience with the Board.

Commissioner Zoghby presented the **Consent Agenda Items** for approval, and they are as follows:

Item 4 Consent Agenda

Bids and Purchasing

- A. IFB 24-024 Purchase of (9) Backwash Valves / Actuators / IFB 24-025 Purchase of (10) Agitator Valves / Actuators for Myers WTP
- B. McCrory & Williams Project No. M5712-2805 2025 Annual Contract for Painting
- C. McCrory & Williams Project No. M5712-2808 2025 Annual Contract for Cleaning / Video of 15" – 54" Various Sanitary Sewer Segments
- D. McCrory & Williams Project No. M5712-2810 2025 Annual Contract for Waterline Repairs
- E. McCrory & Williams Project No. M5712-2812 Schillinger Road Lift Station FM ARV Replacement
- F. Stantec Consulting Service Inc. Project No. 175578363 BCL Dam Toe Berm & Drainage Improvements
- G. Volkert Project No. 1201846.003 2025 Annual Plant Maintenance Contract
- H. Volkert Project No. 1201846.004 2025 Annual Electrical Maintenance Contract
- I. Volkert Project No. 1025621 Annual Plant Maintenance Contract Increase Authorization Request
- J. Ardurra Task Order No. 2023-43 811 Utility Locating Services/Ticket Management Contract Request

Commissioner Drummond moved for approval of the **Consent Agenda**; Commissioner Williams seconded and the motion then carried with the unanimous vote of the Board present.

Due to Mr. Shepard's absence, Mr. McCrory directed attention to the *Accounting presentation* and updated those present on the following:

- Revenues, Expenses and Net Income YTD and Annualized
- Consumption per Million Gallons 2023 v 2024
- Raw Water Consumption through September 2024
- Raw Water Revenue through September 2024
- Commercial, Residential, Wholesale Water/Sewer and Raw Water Revenue through September 2024
- Current MAWSS Payment Methods:
 - Auto Draft (Preferred method/no fee for customer) *MAWSS pays processing fee
 - Bill Pay (no fee for customer) *MAWSS pays processing fee
 - Retail
 - Phone

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- MAWSS Website
- Direct Mail/Drop Box (*Manual processing/customers are urged to utilize other available options*)
- Lockbox
- Kiosks

In response to comments from the Board, Mr. McCrory and Ms. Washington will submit payment usage data to the Board.

The **Minutes of October 14, 2024** were presented for approval. Commissioner Williams moved for approval and Commissioner Drummond seconded. The motion then carried with the unanimous vote of the Board present.

Bid Openings were next, Mr. Cote read the bid tabs as follows:

Item 6A McCrory/Williams Project No. M5712-2766 Transite Water Line Replacement PH I; Crestview Subdivision North of Crestview Drive

The engineers estimate for this project is \$1,600,000; there were four bidders, the apparent low bidder is Fulcrum Construction Group, LLC in the amount of \$1,449,927.80.

Item 6B McCrory/Williams Project No. M5712-2806 2025 Low-Pressure Sewer Check Valve Assembly Installation

The engineers estimate for this project is \$500,000; there were two bidders, the apparent low bidder is Construction Labor Services in the amount of \$474,840.

Item 6C McCrory/Williams Project No. M5712-2807 2025 Annual Contract for Replacement of Private Sanitary Sewer Laterals

The engineers estimate for this project is \$175,000; there were two bidders, the apparent low bidder is Dortch Figures and Sons, Inc. in the amount of \$155,015.87.

Item 6D McCrory/Williams Project No. M5712-2815 2025 Annual Contract for Replacement of HDPE Water Services

The engineers estimate for this project is \$400,000; there were three bidders, the apparent low bidder is GH, LLC in the amount of \$471,985.

Item 6E McCrory/Williams Project No. M5712-2816 Eight Mile Creek 18" Sewer Line Replacement MH 401 – MH 407

The engineers estimate for this project is \$2,000,000; there were three bidders, the apparent low bidder is Construction Labor Services, Inc. in the amount of \$2,272,750; which is the Base Bid + Additive Alternate Bid 2. Staff requests approval of a Directors Award after review has been completed by the engineer and DBE Department.

Commissioner Drummond moved for approval and Commissioner Williams seconded. The motion then carried with the unanimous vote of the Board present.

Item 6F McCrory/Williams Project No. M5712-2817 2025 Annual Contract for Water Line Looping

The engineers estimate for this project is \$750,000; there were three bidders, the apparent low bidder is Hughes Companies, Inc. in the amount of \$964,500. **Information submitted for the agenda packet listed the project year as 2024. Minutes show correct year as 2025.*

Staff will bring the remaining items back to the Board for consideration after they have been reviewed by the engineer and DBE Department.

Legal was next and Attorney Dean stated there are two litigation matters and two real estate matters that are appropriate for discussion in an Executive Session.

There were no items of **Unfinished Business**.

New Business was next and they are as follows:

Item 9A MAWSS 2024 Holiday Bonus Distribution

As discussed during the October 14th Board Workshop, staff requests approval of a 2024 Holiday Bonus to be issued to all employees meeting the required criteria as outlined in HR 20-03 MAWSS Incentive and Compensation Pay Policy.

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Commissioner Drummond moved for approval and Commissioner Williams seconded. The motion then carried with the unanimous vote of the Board present.

Item 9B MAWSS 2025 Holiday Schedule

As also discussed during the October 14th Board Workshop, staff requests approval of the 2025 MAWSS Holiday Schedule as detailed in the Board's Agenda packet. In accordance with instruction, staff will incorporate discussion with the Board to consider reintroducing Veterans Day to the 2026 Holiday Schedule as a designated holiday.

Commissioner Williams moved for approval and Commissioner Drummond seconded. The motion then carried with the unanimous vote of the Board present.

Item 9C Appointment of Nominating Committee for 2025 Board Officers

Due to the absence of Chair Bell and at his instruction, Commissioner Zoghby appointed Commissioner Drummond, Commissioner Weber and Commissioner St. John to the nominating committee.

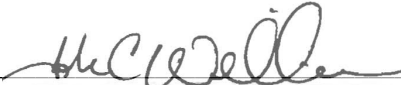
Item 10 Information Only Items:

- A. Ext 1 Annual Contract MAWSS 24001 Professional Service – Wildlife Services (Y2)
- B. Ext 2 Annual Contract MAWSS 22036 – Meter Boxes and Lids w/MAWSS Logo (Y3)
- C. Ext 2 Annual Contract Project No. M5712-2745 – Liquid Calcium Nitrate and VX 456 Solution (Y3)
- D. Sole Source Repair Parts for Spare Flygt Pump at Faye Ln LS020
- E. Sole Source Purchase of Three (3) Nash Replacement Suitcase Separators for CC Williams WWTP
- F. Sole Source Purchase of a Clarifier Drive Unit for Myers WTP
- G. Sole Source Repair Parts for Flygt Pump #3 at Virginia St LS154
- H. Isaiah Project No. IEMAWSS0104 Airport Blvd Walter Smith Rd Force Main (REBID)
- I. McCrory/Williams Project No. M5712-2739 2023 AC for Roadway Bores
- J. McCrory/Williams Project No. M5712-2744 2023 AC for CIPP Rehab of the Public Portion of SS Laterals
- K. McCrory/Williams Project No. M5712-2765 2024 AC for Sewer Line Repairs
- L. McCrory/Williams Project No. M5712-2775 2024 AC for CIPP Rehab of Large Diameter SS Mains
- M. McCrory/Williams Project No. M5712-2777 2024 AC for Manhole Rehabilitation
- N. McCrory/Williams Project No. M5712-2780 2024 AC for Access Roads Constr/Swr Esmnt Maintenance
- O. McCrory/Williams Project No. M5712-2781 2024 AC for Street & Sidewalk Repairs
- P. McCrory/Williams Project No. M5712-2782 2024 AC for Manhole Frame & Cover Replacement
- Q. McCrory/Williams Project No. M5712-2783 2024 AC for C & V Inspection of Various SS Segments (SD)
- R. HDR Project No. 10315599 Underground Fuel Storage Tank Replacements Final Change Order No. 1
- S. Consultant Project Status Reports – *September 2024*

There being no further business to come before the Board at 1:50 p.m., Commissioner Drummond motioned to move into Executive Session; Commissioner Williams seconded and the motion then carried with the unanimous vote of the Board present.

Regular session reconvened at 2:35 p.m., Commissioner Drummond motioned to adjourn the meeting; Commissioner St. John seconded and the motion then carried with the unanimous vote of the Board present.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for **December 2, 2024** at 1:30 p.m.


John C. Williams, Secretary-Treasurer