

**Minutes of the meeting of the Board December 19, 2016, continued**

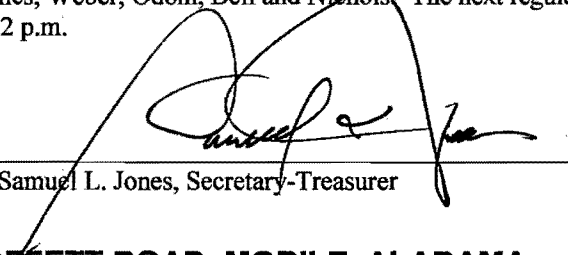
Contract extension period: 1/1/17 – 12/31/17, or \$847,710, whichever comes first.  
Current contract holder: SIS Industrial Services

**E. Sensitive Positions**

At 2:27 p.m., Chair Laier said he will entertain a motion to go into **Executive Session**. Commissioner Weber so moved and Vice Chair Drummond seconded. The motion then carried with the aye votes of Commissioners Laier, Drummond, Jones, Weber, Odom, Bell and Nichols.

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The meeting reconvened at 3:53 p.m. with all members present. There being no further business to come before the Board, Commissioner Odom moved to adjourn. Vice Chair Drummond seconded, and the motion then carried with the aye votes of Commissioners Laier, Drummond, Jones, Weber, Odom, Bell and Nichols. The next regular meeting is scheduled for Monday, January 9, 2017, at 2 p.m.

  
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Samuel L. Jones, Secretary-Treasurer

**BUSINESS OFFICE, 4725 MOFFETT ROAD, MOBILE, ALABAMA  
JANUARY 9, 2017**

The Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners of the City of Mobile met this Monday in their regular session at 2:00 p.m. at MAWSS' Park Forest Plaza.

**PRESENT:**

Dr. James E. Laier, Chair  
Ms. Barbara Drummond, Vice Chair  
Mr. Samuel L. Jones, Secretary-Treasurer  
Ms. Sheri N. Weber, Commissioner  
Mr. Maynard V. Odom, Commissioner  
Mr. Walter E. Bell, Commissioner  
Mr. Kenny Nichols, Commissioner

Mr. Charles E. Hyland, Jr., Director  
Mr. Douglas L. Cote, Assistant Director  
Mr. Bud McCrory, Assistant Director

Chair Laier called the meeting to order, and Commissioner Drummond gave the invocation. There were no **Committee Reports** and no **Visitors** signed in requesting to speak. **Resolution for Retiree** was next and Mr. Hyland read the following into record:

**RESOLUTION**

**WHEREAS, MR. MICHAEL L. HUNTER**, Equipment Operator II, began his employment with the Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners on April 21, 2001 as a classified employee, and has worked continuously since; and

**WHEREAS**, he served the System faithfully for over 15 years, performing his duties with the highest quality, working in a cooperative spirit with his fellow employees,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF WATER AND SEWER COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF MOBILE** that **MR. MICHAEL L. HUNTER**, whose retirement was effective January 1, 2017, be recognized and commended for his years of service to the Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners of the City of Mobile and to the citizens of Mobile.

**ADOPTED** this 9<sup>th</sup> day of January 2017.

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Mr. Hyland said Mr. Hunter isn't present today but he worked in our Water & Sewer Repair Department and our Material Hauling Department after transferring to us from the Public Works Department. He spent 15 years helping serve our customers and the City of Mobile. We certainly appreciate his efforts and we wish him a very long, happy, and healthy retirement.

The **Minutes of December 19, 2016** were presented for approval. Commissioner Jones moved for approval and Commissioner Bell seconded. The motion then carried with the unanimous vote of the Board.

**Bids and Purchasing** was next and Mr. Cote reviewed the following items:

**CH2M 662616 Halls Mill Creek Lift Station Severe Weather Attenuation Basin**

Cost Estimates	Original	Revised
Construction	\$4,236,530	\$4,949,106
Additive Alt. No. 1 – Canopy	\$ 0	\$ 27,778
Additive Alt. No. 2 – Pump	\$ 0	\$ 108,366
Engineering	\$ <u>461,828</u>	\$ <u>546,061</u>
	\$4,698,358	\$5,631,311

Bidders	Total Base Bid Amount	Additive Alternate No. 1	Additive Alternate No. 2
J & P Construction	\$8,370,000.00	\$600,000.00	\$150,000.00

Mr. Cote said we only had one bidder, J & P Construction, which is the same contractor doing the construction on the Williams WWTP. Today's bid was \$2.7 million over the engineer's estimate so the consultant will look at that cost and try to determine why it's so high and why we had so few bidders, and bring it back at the next Board meeting. As mentioned previously, it's very likely that project will be rebid.

**Mott MacDonald IFB-16033, Purchase Gaillard PS Emergency Generators, ATS, & Electrical Gear**

Engineer's Opinion of Probable Equipment Cost: \$1,159,787

Suppliers	Cummins
Base Bid:	\$1,096,321.00
Deductive Alternate	\$ 96,622.00

Mr. Cote said this bid was for materials only at the Gaillard Pump Station, the purchase of emergency generators, automatic transfer switch, and electrical gear. That bid is under the engineer's estimate and we ask that the Board give the Director the authority to award after review and recommendation by the consultant. Commissioner

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

**Legal** was next. Attorney McConaha said an **Executive Session** is needed on a litigation matter, expected to last approximately 10-15 minutes.

**Unfinished Business** was next with **HR 95-1 Vehicle Use Policy – Proposed Revision (7/20/15)**. Mr. Hyland said this has been ongoing for a long time. At the first meeting in February, we'll bring this to the premeeting and ask for it to be resolved at the second meeting in February.

**New Business** was next with **GMC CMOB150016, Water Line Relocation & Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation**, with tabulation of the December 19, 2016 bids and recommendation to award to the low bidder, REV Construction, Inc., for \$1,768,680. Based on the engineer's recommendation, Commissioner Weber moved for approval and Commissioner Drummond seconded. She then asked if there is a reason why we are having only one bidder. Mr.

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Cote said he thinks it's different reasons for different projects. It could have been the holidays, amount of rainfall, etc. We look at each project separately and this one came in under the engineer's estimate. The motion then carried with the unanimous vote of the Board.

Item B was **MW5712-2508, Sewer Force Main from Schillinger Road East to Existing Sewer Manhole #195**, with tabulation of the December 19, 2016 bids and recommendation to award to the low bidder, Construction Labor Services, Inc., for \$292,533.86. Based on the engineer's recommendation, Commissioner Drummond moved for approval and Commissioner Odom seconded. The motion then carried with the unanimous vote of the Board.

Item C was **V044416.06, 48" Raw Water to Potable Water Conversion Ph 2-B, with Change Order #5** in the amount of \$48,209 (3.02% of original \$1,594,923.92 contract) resulting in a revised \$2,144,681.84 contract. Change covers costs associated with avoiding the Mobile Gas Company gas line, riser rings for sewer manholes and valve boxes, and surplus materials unit pricing. Mr. Tierce said this actually resulted in a savings for the project. Mobile Gas was going to relocate these lines for \$90,000 and the contractor worked around them for \$45,000. It took him a little more time to do it so we decided to split the cost. (It was noted there were discrepancies in the amounts shown on today's meeting agenda. The amounts shown on these Minutes were confirmed.) Based on the engineers' recommendation, Commissioner Drummond moved for approval and Commissioner Odom seconded. The motion then carried with the unanimous vote of the Board.

Item D was **CH2M497498, Big Creek Lake PS Influent Improvements with Change Order #5**, in the amount of \$116,799.08 (5% of original \$2,314,201 contract) resulting in a revised \$2,411,917.63 contract. Change covers electrical and I & C Modifications and additional excavation and rock fill below screen platform. (It was noted there were discrepancies in the amounts shown on today's meeting agenda. The amounts shown on these Minutes were confirmed.) Mr. David Stejskal, CH2M, said the net amount of the change order will be \$97,716.63.

**Water & Sewer Engineering Manager Hector Castro** said, early on in this project, we had several change orders that reduced or gave credit to the project overall bid cost of about \$31,000. The actual change order the Board is asked to approve today is for \$116,799.08 for the final adjustment of schedule of value quantities plus the extra excavation needed to be done in order to set the framing system for the screens; however, because of the credits we had early on, the amount of money difference between the final project cost and the original bid is \$97,716.63. Commissioner Jones asked what is the final contract amount. Mr. Castro said the final cost is \$2,411,917.63 so it's 4.2% above the original bid of \$2,314,201 and still significantly below the original engineer's estimate of \$2.9 million. Commissioner Jones said he wants to be sure the Board approves the correct amount. Mr. Castro said we are asking the Board to approve today a change order in the amount of \$116,799.08 which will close out this project. Based on the engineers' recommendation, Commissioner Odom moved for approval and Commissioner Drummond seconded. The motion then carried with the unanimous vote of the Board.

Items presented to the Board for **Information Only** were:

- A. **Volkert 644104, Annual Electrical Maintenance Contract**, with tabulation of the December 19, 2016 bids and recommendation to award to the low bidder, A & B Electric Co. of Mobile, Inc., for \$233,029. (Confirmation of Director's Award)
- B. **CH2M497498, Big Creek Lake PS Influent Improvements with Change Order #3**, in the amount of \$7,097.67 (.3% of original \$2,314,201 contract) resulting in a revised \$2,291,858.55 contract. Change covers costs associated with increasing screen guide thickness on platform, installation of additional support below screens, seal welding around screen support members, and additional drafting by fabrication due to conflicts between screen equipment and structure.
- C. **CH2M497498, Big Creek Lake PS Influent Improvements with Change Order #4**, in the amount of \$3,260 (.14% of original \$2,314,201 contract) resulting in a revised \$2,295,118.55 contract. Change covers costs to prepare and coat four new steel piles to be used for protection in front of the traveling screens.
- D. **M5712-2596, 2017 Annual Waterline Repairs**, with tabulation of the December 19, 2016 bids and recommendation to award to the low bidder, Construction Labor Services, Inc., for \$354,077.85. (Confirmation of Director's Award)

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- E. **M5712-2586, Cleaning & Painting Primary Digester #2 at Williams & Smith WWTF**, with underrun Change Order #1 (Final) in the amount of \$24,514.20 (4.34% of original \$565,190.50 contract) resulting in a revised \$540,676.30 contract. Change revises contract quantities to as-built conditions.
- F. **McCrary & Williams Project Status Report – December 21, 2016**

Mr. Hyland said we are still working to arrive at a date for the proposed luncheon with the City Council and the Mayor. Ms. Rambo sent new dates to our Board and we're still working to find a mutual date. Today, we sent an email with proposed dates for a Board retreat. That was talked about at the last Board meeting so if the Board will let us know your availability, we'll try to coordinate and get something set up.

At 2:20 p.m., Chair Laier said he will entertain a motion to go into **Executive Session**. Commissioner Weber so moved and Commissioner Drummond seconded. The motion then carried with the unanimous vote of the Board.

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The meeting reconvened at 2:38 p.m. with all members present. There being no further business to come before the Board, Commissioner Odom moved to adjourn. Commissioner Drummond seconded and the motion then carried with the unanimous vote of the Board. The next regular meeting is scheduled for Monday, January 23, 2017, at 2 p.m.



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Samuel L. Jones, Secretary-Treasurer