

**BUSINESS OFFICE, 4725 MOFFETT ROAD, MOBILE, ALABAMA  
MAY 4, 2026**

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:**

Ms. Linda St. John, Chair  
Mr. Jay W. Weber, Vice Chair  
Mr. Thomas Zoghby, Commissioner  
Mr. Raymond L. Bell, Jr., Commissioner  
Mr. Vincent Robinson, Commissioner

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

**ABSENT:**

Ms. Barbara Drummond, Commissioner  
Mr. John C. Williams, Secretary-Treasurer

Ms. Calressia Clark

Chair St. John called the meeting to order and Commissioner Bell gave the invocation.

Chair St. John **welcomed new Board Member**, Commissioner Vincent Robinson and conveyed her appreciation on his appointment to the Board. His resolution is as follows:

\*\*\*RESOLUTION\*\*\*

*Sponsored by: Councilmember Penn*

*BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF MOBILE, ALABAMA, that Vincent Robinson is appointed to the  
Water & Sewer Board of Commissioners effective April 29, 2026 for a term ending April 29, 2032.  
Adopted: MAR 31, 2026*

**Committee Reports** were next; Commissioner Zoghby updated those present on topics discussed during the *Finance / Risk Management Committee Meeting*; which was held this morning at 10:30 a.m.. The committee reviewed the 2025 Annual Financial Report (AFR), showing the organization has a clean report, which will be presented at the June 2026 meeting of the Board. Thames Batre' presented updated Risk Insurance / Building Coverage costs along with prior year pre-renewal information. Staff also discussed the quarterly 2026 Budget figures, MAWSS' investments, Current and Future Capital Projects (Master Plan Phases) and concluded with the IT Master / Strategic Plan Review.

There were no **Visitors** present requesting an audience with the Board.

Mr. McCrory extended warm wishes and congratulations to **MR. ALLEN H. TYREE, JR.**, Engineering Technician IV, on his retirement after 40 years of service to the Board and **MR. RICKEY B. WHITE**, Public Service Worker II, on his retirement after 35 years of service to the Board. It is an honor to represent our employees as they enter their well-deserved retirements.

Chair St. John presented the **Consent Agenda Items** for approval, and they are as follows:

**Item 5 Consent Agenda**

Bids and Purchasing

- A. IFB 26-016 Epoxy Floor Replacement for the MAWSS Garage
- B. IFB 26-018 Nitrifying Filter Splitter Box Valve Improvements at Wright Smith WWTP
- C. IFB 26-022 Annual Contract for Lime Slurry at Myers WTP
- D. IFB 26-024 Annual Contract – Laboratory Testing Services
- E. IFB 26-025 Annual Contract for the Purchase of Flygt Pumps

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- F. IFB 26-026 Hurricane Equipment Rental – Annual Contract
- G. Annual Renewal for AMI Sensors Support
- H. Jacobs Project No. D3521300 Myers SCADA Upgrades CO #5 in the amount of \$66,405.35 with a revised contract amount of \$5,124,522.63.
- I. Stantec Project No. 175578363 J. B. Converse Reservoir Toe Berm and Drainage Improvements Change Order No. 2 in the amount of ~~\$217,453.47~~ or 4.2% of the original contract amount with a revised total of \$5,703,031.56. The request also includes the addition of 60 Days to the contract schedule.

Staff requests the removal of *Item I* from the Consent Agenda; Mr. Cote has an update on pricing.

Commissioner Bell moved for approval of **Consent Agenda Items A – H**. Commissioner Zoghby seconded and the motion then carried with the unanimous vote of the Board present.

Mr. Cote explained that the initial numbers received from the consultant were incorrect. The correct pricing for the change order should read \$217,638.27; an increase of \$184.80. Commissioner Bell moved for approval of **Consent Agenda Item I**. Commissioner Zoghby seconded and the motion then carried with the unanimous vote of the Board present.

Mr. Moore approached the Board with a **presentation** detailing the *Water Plant Department Annual Update*. There were several plant employees in attendance as well. Each of them play significant roles in the day to day operations of MAWSS' Plant Facilities. The plants have received several awards throughout 2025 – 2026 as listed below:

- 2025 – Charles W. White Award (Zack Butler) / Best Tasting Water (AWWA AL/MS) / Distribution System (AWPCA Best Operated) / Stickney WTP (AWPCA Award of Excellence / ADEM Optimization Award) / Myers WTP (AWPCA Best Operated / ADEM Optimization Award)
- 2026 – AWWA Operator of the Year (Vern Dillion) / Best Tasting Water (AWWA AL/MS)

Continuing the presentation, he briefly described several projects that are currently in progress within the following areas of the organization: *EM Stickney*                      *HE Myers*                      *Booster Stations*                      *Raw Water*

Training and Outreach are a major process at the treatment plants. Staff continually develops their skillsets by maintaining strict schedules attending water treatment classes along with providing outreach to our community through vendor led training, plant tours and school events.

MAWSS maintains approximately 10,000 timber acres with the guidance and recommendations of our contracted registered forester, Mr. David Corliss, Jr. An annual report is provided each year detailing invasive control, prescribed burns, timber cuts, gopher tortoise reserve, and future planning.

In conclusion, Mr. Moore responded to Commissioner Robinson; there are approximately 40-50 utilities that participate in the award selection process which includes Alabama and Mississippi.

The **Minutes of April 6, 2026** were presented for approval. Commissioner Bell moved for approval and Commissioner Zoghby 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 7A                      GMC Project No. AMOB230011 Smith WWTP Maintenance Building Renovations**

The engineers estimate for this project is \$725,000; there were four bidders. The apparent low bidder is M W Rogers Construction Company in the amount of \$480,000. Staff requests authorization of a Directors Award after review has been completed by the engineer and SDP.

Commissioner Zoghby moved for approval. Commissioner Bell seconded and the motion then carried with the unanimous vote of the Board present.

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**Legal** was next and Attorney Dean stated there is one litigation matter appropriate for discussion in an Executive Session.

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

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

### Item 11 Information Only Items:

- A. IFB 26-019 Annual Contract – Tree Removal and Maintenance
- B. IFB 26-020 Annual Contract – Tapping Saddles, Clamps & Coupling Adapters
- C. IFB 26-023 Purchase of Two Zero-Turn Mowers
- D. Annual Maintenance Agreement for UPS Systems
- E. Bypass Pumps Rental for Wright Smith WWTP
- F. Ext 1 Annual Contract MAWSS 25014 – Aggregates, Various Size Limestone **(Y2)**
- G. Ext 1 Annual Contract MAWSS 25015 – Safety Shoes **(Y2)**
- H. Ext 2 Annual Contract MAWSS 24009 – Fire Hydrants **(Y3)**
- I. Fuel Polishing and Treatment of the Diesel Fuel Storage Tanks at CCW WWTP
- J. Purchase of Check and Gate Valves for Wright Smith WWTP
- K. Purchase of a Promag Meter for C. C. Williams WWTP
- L. Purchase of Two Eurodrive Gear Reducers for C. C. Williams WWTP
- M. Purchase of Two FortiGate 500 Core Firewalls
- N. Purchase of a Vaughn Chopper Pump for C. C. Williams WWTP
- O. Sole Source Installation of a Sensus M400 Base Station
- P. Sole Source Purchase of Thirty-six Wager Media Odor Control Canisters
- Q. Sole Source Purchase of a Wilo Pump for Augusta LS189
- R. Garver Project No. W10-2401551 E. M. Stickney WTP Solids Upgrades
- S. Jacobs Project No. D3755100 Wright Smith WWTP Electrical, I & C and HVAC Modifications
- T. Jacobs Project No. D3424000 Nortons Lane SWAT and Lift Station Project OAA#8
- U. Jacobs Project No. D3521300 Myers WTP SCADA Upgrades Project OAA#3
- V. M5712-2830 IFB 25-057 Roof Replacement at CCW WWTP OAA#2
- W. M5712-2832 / IFB 25-056A CCW WWTP Demolition of SWAT Tank / Grease Facility CO#1
- X. Consultant Project Status Reports – *March 2026*

There being no further business to come before the Board at 2:00 p.m., Commissioner Zoghby motioned to move into **Executive Session**. Commissioner Bell seconded and the motion then carried with the unanimous vote of the Board present.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for **June 1, 2026** at 1:30 p.m.



John C. Williams, Secretary-Treasurer