# GREENVILLE UTILITIES COMMISSION GREENVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA

Thursday, January 18, 2024

The Board of Commissioners of the Greenville Utilities Commission met in the Greenville Utilities Board Room in regular session at 12:00 noon with the following members, and others present, and Chair Geiger presiding.

#### Commission Board Members Present:

Peter Geiger Mark Garner
Lindsey Griffin Dr. Wanda D. Carr
Ferrell L. Blount III Dillon Godley
Tommy Stoughton Michael Cowin

#### Commission Staff Present:

Tony Cannon, General Manager/CEO Lou Norris Chris Padgett Kevin Keyzer Jeff McCauley Jonathan Britt Phil Dixon Tony Godwin Anthony Miller Amanda Wall John Worrell Paige Wallace David Springer Lena Previll Richie Shreves **Emily Garner** Andy Anderson Julius Patrick Scott Mullis Brian Greer Amy Wade Zack Hamilton Ken Wade **Brooks Nobles** Colleen Sicley James Smith

Durk Tyson Scott Farmer

#### Others Attending:

Les Robinson, City Liaison; Jeff Monico, Sierra Club Cypress Group; Drew Ligon, Retired Citizen/Customer; and Brittany Langley, Chamber Leadership Institute.

Chair Geiger called the meeting to order. Secretary Blount ascertained that a quorum was present.

#### ACCEPTANCE OF THE AGENDA

Chair Geiger stated that the agenda would need to be amended to add an action item related to an update on the sale of GUC's Mumford Road property. A motion was made by Mr. Stoughton, seconded by Dr. Carr, to accept the agenda as amended. The motion carried unanimously as amended.

# SAFETY BRIEF AND MOMENT

Mr. Kevin Keyzer, Operations Support Manager, provided a safety brief and explained the plan of action should there be an emergency at today's meeting. Mr. Keyzer provided a safety moment on slick surfaces (ice or snow) during the winter months.

# RECOGNITION OF 2022 WATER TREATMENT PLANT AREA WIDE OPTIMIZATION PROGRAM (AWOP) AWARD

Mr. David Springer, Director of Water Resources, introduced Water Treatment Plant Facilities Manager Julius Patrick to share information on the 2022 AWOP Award. Mr. Patrick stated that the North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality presented GUC's Water Treatment Plant staff with the 2022 Area Wide Optimization Program (AWOP) Award for the eighth

consecutive year. GUC was one of eleven surface plants in the Coastal Plain Region of North Carolina to receive this award.

AWOP was developed to help water systems meet successively more stringent regulations and achieve higher levels of water quality. The focus of the AWOP award is turbidity removal, a key test of drinking water quality. Eliminating particles lessens the amount of chemicals needed to process water, which reduces byproducts in the water.

Mr. Patrick congratulated the Water Treatment Plant staff on these accomplishments and acknowledged Brian Greer, Zack Hamilton, Brooks Nobles, and James Smith, who attended the Board meeting representing all the staff at the Water Treatment Plant.

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

Mr. Tony Cannon, General Manager/CEO, presented the following items for approval on the consent agenda:

(Agenda Item 1) Approval of Minutes - Regular Meeting: December 21, 2023

A motion was made by Mr. Garner, seconded by Dr. Carr, to approve the consent agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

REVIEW OF MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATEMENT – DECEMBER 31, 2023 (Agenda Item 2)

#### December 31, 2023, Financial Statement:

Key financial metrics for the combined funds for the period ending December 31, 2023:

Operating Cash	\$78,929,021	Days of Cash on Hand	123
Less Current Liabilities	(\$26,117,164)		
Fund Balance	\$52,811,857	Days of Cash on Hand After Liabilities	83
Fund Balance Available for Appropriation Average Investment Yield	18.6% 3.18%		

#### Fund Equity/Deficit Before Transfers

	Cı	Current Month			Year to Date		
	Actual	Budget	Last Year	Actual	Budget	Last Year	
Electric	(\$171,811)	(\$206,928)	(\$788,949)	(\$1,885,826)	(\$1,085,815)	(\$204,681)	
Water	(\$78,636)	\$180,036	\$303,573	\$854,180	\$959,000	\$2,958,544	
Sewer	(\$184,826)	\$113,449	(\$237,012)	\$1,067,757	\$446,371	\$1,298,235	
Gas	\$1,062,448	\$1,034,978	\$669,325	\$807,320	(\$4,015,941)	(\$1,248,403)	
Combined	\$627,175	\$1,121,535	(\$53,063)	\$843,431	(\$3,696,385)	\$2,803,695	

### Fund Equity/Deficit After Transfers

_	Current Month			Year to Date		
_	Actual	Budget	Last Year	Actual	Budget	Last Year
Electric	(\$171,811)	\$443,072	(\$285,626)	\$1,364,174	\$2,814,185	(\$501,358)
Water	(\$78,636)	\$46,703	\$267,037	\$304,180	\$159,002	\$1,347,008
Sewer	(\$184,826)	\$63,449	(\$95,005)	\$717,757	\$146,371	(\$34,758)
Gas	\$1,062,448	\$1,234,978	\$776,922	\$807,320	(\$2,815,941)	(\$1,140,806)
Combined	\$627,175	\$1,788,202	\$663,328	\$3,193,431	\$303,617	(\$329,914)

Mr. McCauley provided a presentation on the Financial Statement for December 31, 2023.

The weather impact for the month of December indicated that the December Heating Degree Days were lower than last year. The December rainfall was approximately 5 inches which was more than last year. The portfolio earned 3.18% for the month of December.

Overall year-to-date results through the end of December remain stable. The Electric Rate Stabilization Reserves are approximately \$16.5 million, and the Gas Rate Stabilization Reserves are \$4.9 million. The Operating Reserves are 123 Days Cash on Hand, and Renewals and Replacements Reserves are approximately \$2.6 million. The Capital Project Funds Reserved for Existing and Future Capital Projects are approximately \$22.1 million.

After discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Blount, seconded by Mr. Garner to accept the December 31, 2023 Financial Statement. The motion carried unanimously.

# MUMFORD ROAD PROPERTY UPDATE (Amended Agenda Item 2a)

Mr. Cannon reminded the Board of Commissioners that GUC's Mumford Road property has been under contract since last year. An environmental review was conducted on the site and revealed the existence of contamination on a portion of the property (approximately 5.9 acres) deemed "de minimis" by the state. The State did not require the property to be cleaned up, however, GUC did volunteer to remediate. The buyer will take title of the majority of the tract of land at closing and lease the remaining portion for up to 5 years or until remediation is complete, whichever comes first. GUC is asking for the Board to ratify the sale of property with the short-term lease for the full purchase price.

After discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Blount, seconded by Mr. Godley to ratify the sale of the property, as described above, and recommend similar action by City Council. The motion carried unanimously.

# GENERAL MANAGER'S/CEO REPORT (Agenda Item 3)

#### 1. <u>Informational Reading</u>

Bids, Statistical Data Report, Sewer Spill Tracking Report, Load Management Report, and PGA Report were provided.

The following Bids awarded by the General Manager/CEO during the past month were reported for information:

#### **GREENVILLE UTILITIES COMMISSION**

# **TABULATION OF BIDS RECEIVED**

10,000' - CONDUIT, 4" ROLL SDR 11 GUC STK# 210560, 6,000' - CONDUIT, 2" ROLL SDR 11 GUC STK# 210540, 5,600' - CONDUIT, 2" PVC GUC STK# 202570, 500' - CONDUIT, 4" GALVANIZED GUC STK# 202540 250' - CONDUIT, 2" SCH. 80 PVC GUC STK# 210500 300' - CONDUIT, 3" SCH. 80 PVX GUC STK# 210510 50 - ELLS, 4" LONG 90 GALVANIZED GUC STK# 208820

# DECEMBER 12, 2023 @ 2:00 PM

VENDORS	MFG.	DELIVERY WEEKS	UNIT PRICE 4" ROLL SDR 11	TOTAL
Wesco Distribution, Inc.	Blue Diamond	2	\$2.613	\$26,130.00*
Border States Electric	Duraline	3	3.06	30,600.00
Elite Textile Trading, LLC.	_	_	_	

VENDORS	MFG.	DELIVERY WEEKS	UNIT PRICE 2" ROLL SDR 11	TOTAL
Wesco Distribution, Inc.	Blue Diamond	2	\$0.697	\$4,182.00*
Border States Electric	Duraline	3	1.03	6,180.00
Elite Textile Trading, LLC.	_	_		_

VENDORS	MFG.	DELIVERY WEEKS	UNIT PRICE 2" PVC CONDUIT	TOTAL
Wesco Distribution, Inc.	Cantex	2	\$1.759	\$9,850.40*
Border States Electric	Southern	6	2.06	11,536.00
Elite Textile Trading, LLC.	Leoes	8	2.31	12,936.00

VENDORS	MFG.	DELIVERY WEEKS	UNIT PRICE  4"  GALVANIZED	TOTAL
Border States Electric	Allied	3	\$31.28	\$15,640.00*
Wesco Distribution, Inc.	-		_	
Elite Textile Trading, LLC.	_	_	- 1	

VENDORS	MFG.	DELIVERY WEEKS	UNIT PRICE 2" SCH 80 PVC CONDUIT	TOTAL
Wesco Distribution, Inc.	Cantex	2	\$2.797	\$699.25*
Border States Electric	Southern	6	5.28	1,320.00
Elite Textile Trading, LLC.				_

VENDORS	MFG.	DELIVERY WEEKS	UNIT PRICE 3" SCH 80 PVC CONDUIT	TOTAL
Wesco Distribution, Inc.	Cantex	5	\$5.00	\$1,500.00*
Border States Electric	Southern	6	7.52	2,256.00
Elite Textile Trading, LLC.	_		_	_

VENDORS	MFG.	DELIVERY WEEKS	UNIT PRICE 4" LONG 90 ELLS GALV.	TOTAL
Border States Electric	Allied	6	\$305.00	\$15,250.00*
Wesco Distribution, Inc.	_	_	-	-
Elite Textile Trading, LLC.			- <u>-</u>	_

<sup>\*</sup> Indicates recommended award based on the lowest responsible, responsive bid.

40,000' - WIRE, 1/0 15KV UG PRIMARY CABLE GUC STK# 201360, 16,000' - WIRE, 750 MCM UG PRIMARY CABLE GUC STK# 201350, 10,000' - WIRE, 12/2 U.F. CABLE GUC STK# 204540, 10,000' - CONDUIT, CABLE IN W/#6 ALUM. TRIPLEX GUC STK# 210530 7,200' - WIRE, #2 TRIPLEX CABLE (OH) GUC STK# 204630 4,500' - WIRE, 2/0 TRIPLEX CABLE (OH) GUC STK# 204650 12,480 lbs. - WIRE, 336.4 ACSR (18/1) GUC STK# 204580 2,400 lbs. - WIRE, 1/0 ACSR GUC STK# 204570

# DECEMBER 12, 2023 @ 3:00 PM

VENDORS	MFG.	DELIVERY WEEKS	UNIT PRICE 1/0 15KV UG CABLE	TOTAL
Wesco Distribution, Inc.	Okonite	1*	\$3.97	\$158,800.00*
CME Wire & Cable	CME	41	3.12	124,800.00(1)
Border States Electric	Prysmian	14-16	3.80	186,400.00
Mina Holdings, LLC.	Priority	2	4.84	193,600.00(2)
Nexgen Power Inc.		_	-	

VENDORS	MFG.	DELIVERY WEEKS	UNIT PRICE 750 MCM UG CABLE	TOTAL
Border States Electric	Prysmian	14-16*	\$11.65	\$186,400.00*
CME Wire & Cable	CME	41	9.31	148,960.00(1)
Wesco Distribution, Inc.	Okonite	45-46	12.61	201 760.00
Mina Holdings, LLC.	WTEC	16	12.50	200,000.00(2)
Nexgen Power, Inc.	Daewon	18	8.85	141,600,00(2)
VENDORS	MFG.	DELIVERY WEEKS	UNIT PRICE 12/2 U.F. CABLE	TOTAL
Border States Electric	Southwire	6	\$0.53	\$5,300.00*
Wesco Distribution, Inc.	Service	1-2	0.74	7,400.00
Mina Holdings, LLC.	LS	2	0.48	4,800.00(2)
CME Wire & Cable	_	-	_	-
Nexgen Power Inc.	_	_	_	

VENDORS	MFG.	DELIVERY WEEKS	UNIT PRICE CONDUIT CABLE IN #6	TOTAL
Wesco Distribution, Inc.	Southwire	28-30	\$1.49	\$14,900.00*
Mina Holdings, LLC.	LS	2	0.89	8,900,00(2)
Border States Electric			_	
CME Wire & Cable	_	_		-
Nexgen Power, Inc.				

VENDORS	MFG.	DELIVERY WEEKS	WHIT PRICE #2 TRIPLEX CABLE OH	TOTAL
Wesco Distribution, Inc. (2)	СМЕ	1-2	\$0.78	\$5,616.00*
Border States Electric	Prysmian	14-18	0.96	6,912.00
Wesco Distribution, Inc. (1)	King	1	0.806	5,803.20(2)
Mina Holdings, LLC.	Lonestar	2	0.99	7,128,00(2)
CME Wire & Cable		-	-	
Nexgen Power Inc.	-	_	_	_
VENDORS	MFG.	DELIVERY WEEKS	UNIT PRICE 2/0 TRIPLEX OH CABLE	TOTAL
Wesco Distribution, Inc. (2)	СМЕ	8	\$1.34	\$6,030.00*
Border States Electric	Prysmian	14-18	2.16	9,720.00
Wesco Distribution, Inc. (1)	King	2-4	1.36	6,120.00(2)
Mina Holdings, LLC.	Lonestar	2	2.02	9,090.00(2)
CME Wire & Cable	_	-	_	_
Nexgen Power, Inc.	_			_

VENDORS	MFG.	DELIVERY WEEKS	UNIT PRICE 336.4 ACSR 18/1	TOTAL
Wesco Distribution, Inc. (2)	СМЕ	8	\$2.494	\$31 125.12*
Border States Electric	Prysmian	14-18	3.39	42,307.20
Wesco Distribution, Inc. (1)	King	1-2	2.489	31,062.72(2)
Nexgen Power, Inc.	Daewon	18	4.07	50,793.00(2)
Mina Holdings, LLC.	Champion	2	4.17	52,041.60(2)
CME Wire & Cable	_		-	_

VENDORS	MFG.	DELIVERY WEEKS	UNIT PRICE 1/0 ACSR CABLE	TOTAL
Wesco Distribution, Inc. (2)	СМЕ	5	\$2.397	\$5,752.80*
Border States Electric	Prysmian	14-18	3.58	8,592.00
Wesco Distribution, Inc. (1)	King	1-2	2.387	5,728.80(2)
Nexgen Power, Inc.	Daewon	18	3.68	8,832.00(2)
Mina Holdings, LLC.	Champion	2	5.03	12,072.00(2)
CME Wire & Cable	_	-	_	_

<sup>\*</sup> Indicates recommended award based on the lowest responsible, responsive bid.

(1) Indicates vendor lead time is not acceptable.

(2) Indicates vendor is not an approved source.

# STREET LIGHT MATERIAL DECEMBER 12, 2023 @ 2:00 PM

VENDORS	MFG.	DELIVERY WEEKS	UNIT PRICE	TOTAL
Wesco Distribution, Inc.	ECP	10	\$556.79	\$55,679.00*
Border States Electric	ECP	10-12	587.00	58,700.00
Bell Electrical Supply	Maclean	17	811.08	81,108.00

<sup>\*</sup> Indicates recommended award based on the lowest responsible, responsive bid.

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VENDORS	DELIVERY TIME (WKS)	UNIT	OWNERSHIP COST/UNIT	TOTAL
Aloha Plotter, LLC.	16-18	\$2 213.75	\$2,764.85*	\$11 068.75
MVA Power Inc.	22-26	2,281.50	2,830.20	11 407.50
Wesco Distribution Inc.	22	2 344.00	2,913.70	11,720.00
Technology International, Inc.	34	9,350.00	N/A	46,750.00

<sup>\*</sup>Indicates recommended award based on lowest total ownership cost.

# SERVICES FOR DREDGING IN THE TAR RIVER AROUND RAW WATER INTAKE SCREENS DECEMBER 20, 2023 @ 3:00 PM

VENDORS	TOTAL	
TJ's Marine Construction, LLC	\$234,975.00*	
Grillot Construction, LLC	512,000.00	

<sup>\*</sup> Indicates recommended award based on the lowest responsible, responsive bid.

The Duke Energy Progress (DEP) monthly peak occurred on December 20, 2023, for the hour ending at 8:00 a.m. GUC's load management system was in full operation during this period. As a result, the estimated avoided demand costs amount to \$1,521,806.

# 2. Key Performance Indicators (KPIs)

The Corporate KPI report was provided.

# 3. Commendations

Mr. Daniel Farmer sent a message through the CSR Team Mailbox to thank Chris Wallace and John Sheppard for providing excellent customer service. On Friday, December 15, 2023, Chris Wallace responded to a gas leak in which he found a leak under the customer's house and on Monday, December 18, 2023, John Sheppard returned to cut the gas back on after the contractor made repairs. Mr. Farmer stated that both Service Workers were very nice and helpful, and he really appreciated the great customer service. **Employees' Names:** Chris Wallace and John Sheppard, Gas Service Specialist II.

# 4. Other

- Mr. Cannon announced there will be a Workshop Session for the Board of Commissioners on January 22 and 23, 2024.
- Mr. Cannon stated that cold weather is expected this weekend with 18 hours below freezing temperatures and may require peak shaving plant to be operated.

# BOARD CHAIR'S REMARKS/REPORT (Agenda Item 4)

Chair Geiger announced the Regular Board meeting is scheduled for Thursday, February 15, 2024, at 12:00 noon.

# **BOARD MEMBER REMARKS**

Mr. Garner thanked staff for response during recent weather event that created some outages.

Mr. Stoughton thanked Phil Dixon and Scott Mullis for promptly handling two minor incidents with customer this week that were brought to his attention.

Upon motion by Mr. Griffin, seconded by Mr. Stoughton, the Board of Commissioners unanimously agreed to adjourn the meeting at 12:21 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Amy Wade, Executive Secretary

APPROVED: