



NOMINATING COMMITTEE MEETING

Agenda

**Tuesday, June 23, 2015 – 5:30 p.m.
Board of Water & Light Headquarters
1201 S. Washington Ave.
REO Town Depot**

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Approval of 6/26/14 Nominating Committee Meeting Minutes
4. Public Comments on Agenda Items
5. Officer & Committee Survey Results
6. Officer & Committee Survey Memorandum
7. Nominate Board Officer Candidates for Fiscal Year 2015-2016
8. Adjourn

NOMINATING COMMITTEE MINUTES
June 26, 2014

The Nominating Committee of the Lansing Board of Water and Light met at the BWL Headquarters-REO Town Depot located at 1201 S. Washington Ave., Lansing, MI, at 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, June 26, 2014.

Committee Chair Tony Mullen called the meeting to order and asked the Corporate Secretary to call the roll. The following committee members were present: Commissioners Tony Mullen, Anthony McCloud, Tracy Thomas and Cynthia Ward. Board Member Louney arrived at 5:30 p.m.

Absent: None

Approval of Minutes

Motion by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner McCloud to approve the Nominating Committee meeting minutes of June 26, 2013.

Action: Motion Carried

Public Comment

There were no public comments.

Officer & Committee Survey Form/Memo

There was no dialogue under this section of the Agenda.

Nominate Board Officer Candidates for FY 2014-2015

The Nominating Committee met to review the Commissioner Survey responses for consideration of board officer nominations for the Board of Water & Light Board of Commissioner's Chair and Vice Chair for fiscal year 2014-2015.

Nominating Committee Chair Mullen opened the floor for nominations and the following nominations were made:

- **Motion** by Commissioner Ward, seconded by Commissioner McCloud to nominate David Price as Chair and Dennis Louney as Vice Chair:

Discussion: Commissioner Thomas questioned how the process would be handle this year and if we are forwarding candidates as a slate.

Nominating Chair Mullen stated after some thought he concluded that the nominating committee was set up for a purpose and one of the purposes is to allow for the committee to express the pro and cons of each individual candidate. He suggested a slate would be the way to go. I think that we should put all four individuals that want these positions of Chair and Vice Chair on a slate and forward to the full Board.

Action: Motion Failed (2/2)

- **Motion** by Commissioner Thomas, Seconded by Commissioner Mullen to nominate Margaret Bossenbery as Vice Chair:

Action: Motion Failed (2/2)

- **Motion** by Commissioner Mullen to nominate Margaret Bossenbery as Vice Chair and David Price as Chair.

Action: Motion Died, No Second

- **Motion** by Commissioner by McCloud, Seconded by Commissioner Mullen to nominate David Price as Chair.

Action: Motion Carried (3/1)

- **Motion** by Commissioner Thomas to nominate Margaret Bossenbery as Chair.

Action: Motion Died, No Second

- **Motion** by Commissioner McCloud to nominate Cynthia Ward as Vice Chair.

Action: Motion Died, No Second

- **Motion** by Commissioner Mullen to nominate Anthony McCloud as Vice Chair.

Action: Motion Died, No Second

- **Motion** by Commissioner McCloud, Seconded by Commissioner Mullen to nominate Tracy Thomas as Vice Chair.

Action: Motion Fails (2 Nays/1 No/1 Abstain)

- **Motion** by Commissioner McCloud, Seconded by Commissioner Ward to nominate Dennis Louney as Vice Chair.

Action: Motion Fails (2 Nays/1 No/1 Abstain)

Commissioner Ward stated reasons why she supports Dennis Louney in the position of Vice Chair. She stated that he has earned the position over the past six months.

Nominating Chair Mullen in response to the previous response he would like to add that he appreciate the work of the current leadership but personally believes that we need a breath of fresh air coming through the Board, both chair and vice chair position.

Commissioner McCloud stated reasons why he supports Commissioner Louney as Vice Chair. He stated that he has moved us forward during the rough times and deserves the opportunity continue the work he started.

Commissioner Thomas stated his appreciation for the current vice chair. He also stated his support for Commissioner Bossenbery as Vice Chair, stating that she would bring in fresh, open, cooperative

and collaborative leadership that will not hurt the Board as we move forward in this transition period.

- **Motion** by Commissioner Ward, Seconded by Commissioner McCloud to nominate Commissioner Loney to be included in the slate to serve as Vice Chair.

Action: Motion Fails (2/2)

- **Motion** by Commissioner Thomas to nominate Dennis Louney as Chair.

Action: Motion Died, No Second

Commissioner Louney said that he appreciates the opportunity to serve in the role as Vice Chair and would like to continue in that role; however, he is open to other possibilities if other positions are being considered. He said that he has always indicated that he serves at the pleasure of the Board, wherever they see him fitting.

Motion by Commissioner Thomas to nominate Dennis Louney as Vice Chair.

Action: Motion Died, No Second

It seems that we are at an impasse and suggest that we bring this back to the full Board for consideration and nominating from the floor on July 22, 2014. Moving forward the nominating of Commissioner David Price for Chair.

Since there was, only a partial slate of officers recommended from this committee this business matter will be taken up at the Regular Board meeting to be held on July 22, 2014 and nominations will be taken from the floor.

Commissioners McCloud stated that he would like to have more discussion regarding the slate. He said that it is his hope that we can come away with a slate and want to make sure that we explore all possibilities and options.

- **Motion** by commissioner McCloud, Seconded by Commission Ward to nominate Commissioner Price as Vice Chair.

Action: Motion Failed (2Yay, 1Nay, 1Abstain)

Commissioner Mullen suggested either Commissioner's Thomas or McCloud step up and serve as vice chair. That way we would have full slate.

- **Motion** by Commissioner Ward, seconded by Commissioner McCloud to nominate Commissioner Louney as Chair and Commissine Price as Vice Chair.

Action: Motion Fails (2/2)

- **Motion** by Commissioner to nominate Commissioner Louney as Chair and Commissioner as Vice Chair.

Action: Motion Died, No Second

- **Motion** by Commissioner Thomas to nominate Commissioner Louney as Chair and Commissioner McCloud as Vice Chair

Action: Motion Died, No Second

- **Motion** by Commissioner McCloud, Second by Commissioner Ward, to nominate Commissioner Louney as Chair and Commissioner Ward as Vice Chair.

Action: Motion Failed (2/2)

- **Motion** by Commissioner Ward, Second by Commissioner McCloud to nominate Commissioner Ward as Chair and Commissioner Louney as Vice Chair.

Action: Motion Failed (2/2)

- **Motion** by Commissioner Thomas to nominate Commissioner Bossenbery as Chair and Commissioner Louney as Vice Chair.

Action: Motion Died, No Second

- **Motion** by Commissioner McCloud, Seconded by Commissioner Ward, to nominate Commissioner Ward as Vice Chair.

Action: Motion Failed (2/2)

- **Motion** by Commissioner Thomas, seconded by Commissioner Ward to nominate Commissioner Louney as Chair and Commissioner McCloud as Vice Chair.

Action: Motion Failed (2/2)

We have reached an impasse and Nominating Chair Mullen repeated that a partial slate of officers recommended from this committee this business matter will be taken up at the Regular Board meeting to be held on July 22, 2014 and nominations will be taken from the floor.

The only Motion Passed at this meeting was to forward to the full Board the consideration of David Price as the Chair of the Board.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:51 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Tony Mullen, Chair
Nominating Committee

RESULTS FROM THE OFFICER & COMMITTEE SURVEY FORMS AND BOARD MEMBER'S COMMENTS 2015-2016

COMMISSIONERS	SERVE AS AN OFFICER?	OFFICE PREFERENCE	SERVE AS A COMMITTEE CHAIR?	COMMITTEE CHAIR PREFERENCE	COMMITTEE MEMBER PREFERENCE(S)
Bossenbery	No	N/A	No	N/A	HR & Nominating
Louney	Yes	Vice Chair	Yes	Finance	--
McCloud	No	N/A	No	N/A	HR
Mullen	No	N/A	Yes	HR	N/A
Price	Yes	Chair	N/A	N/A	N/A
Thomas	No Resp	--	--	--	--
Ward	Not Partaking	Not Partaking	Not Partaking	Not Partaking	Not Partaking
Zerkle	Yes	Vice Chair	N/A	N/A	HR
Robert Nelson E. Lansing Non-Voting Member	N/A	N/A	No	N/A	Finance

Comments from Commissioners

Margaret Bossenbery: No Comments

Dennis M. Louney:

Comments/Remarks: I would be interested in serving as the Vice Chair if needed. I served as Vice Chair previously and believe that I was effective in that role. I have served as Finance Chair recently and would be interested in continuing if needed.

Anthony McCloud: No Comments

Tony Mullen:

Comments/Remarks: I believe that I would be able to contribute greatly to the position of Human Resource committee chair. I have a bachelor's degree in Political Science with an emphasis in Public Administration, giving me an education that would help guide a public utility.

David Price:

Comments/Remarks: Without exception, the role of board chair is paramount to ensuring an active, focused and supportive board. I believe that over the past year I have demonstrated an ability to lead through difficult times and be a credible spokesperson for the Commission. We will continue to be challenged in the coming months with welcoming new board member, creating a process for hiring our next general manager, re-writing our rules of procedure, and fielding questions regarding a possible sale of the BWL. I look forward to those challenges in addition to re-establishing a working relationship with City Council (actually, already begun).

Tracy Thomas: No Survey Submitted

Cynthia Ward: Not Partaking in Survey

Sandra Zerkle:

Comments/Remarks: Vice Chair Position-I think I can help with several projects that are ahead, and would like to assist with that. There are many issues to address in the coming year, including the new Commissioners. I think with my experience, I would be an asset to the position and the Commissioners.

Robert Nelson

Comments/Remarks: Grateful for the opportunity to serve on a committee.



M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Board of Commissioners

FROM: M. Denise Griffin, Corporate Secretary

CC: Interim General Manager Peffley

DATE: June 16, 2015

RE: Officer and Committee Survey Form Results & Meeting Information

The 2015-2016 Nominating Committee has been established. Board Chair Price has deemed that the Nominating Committee will be composed of the following Board members: Commissioners Cynthia Ward (Chair), Anthony McCloud, Tony Mullen and Tracy Thomas. As such, the Nominating Committee will meet to discuss and recommend a slate of officers for fiscal year 2015-2016. The Nominating Committee **Meeting date is June 23, 2015 at 5:30 p.m.** and will be conducted at the Board of Water & Light's Headquarters' Depot facility located at 1201 S. Washington Ave. Lansing, MI.

A copy of the Committee's proposed slate of officers will be sent to each Commissioner following the respective meeting. The committee report will then be presented to the Board of Commissioners for approval at the regularly scheduled Board Meeting to be held July 28, 2015.

In addition to the slate of officers presented by the Nominating Committee, the Chair will also ask for nominations from the floor. If there are additional persons nominated for the position of Chair or Vice Chair then the Board of Commissioners will vote on each candidacy individually (if applicable). If no nominations are received from the floor then the Board can introduce a motion to pass the slate of officers as presented.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the above information please feel free to contact me.

Thank you.



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