

United Concerned Citizens of Prichard

Present

The Receiver's Update

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Tonight's Topics

- Responding to PWW&SB's Challenges
- Water & Sewer Bill Burdens for Customers
- PWW&SB Financial Challenges
- ADEM-Funded Work
- Impact of Not Addressing Leakages
- PWW&SB Integration Feasibility Study
- Tentative Integration Process
- Sources for Grants, Appropriations, and Earmarks
- Closing & Questions



Receiver's Work Responding to PWWSB's Challenges (Since November 2023)

- **Comply with ADEM Consent Orders (Water & Wastewater)**
- **Conducted a Hydraulic Analysis of the System**
- **Developed an Asset Management Plan**
- **Conducted a Source of Supply Study**
- **Completed Financial Audits** *(2021, 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025 in progress)*
- **Performed Cost of Service and Rate Study**
- **Undertaking hydrant maintenance/repairs**
- **Conducted an Affordability Study**

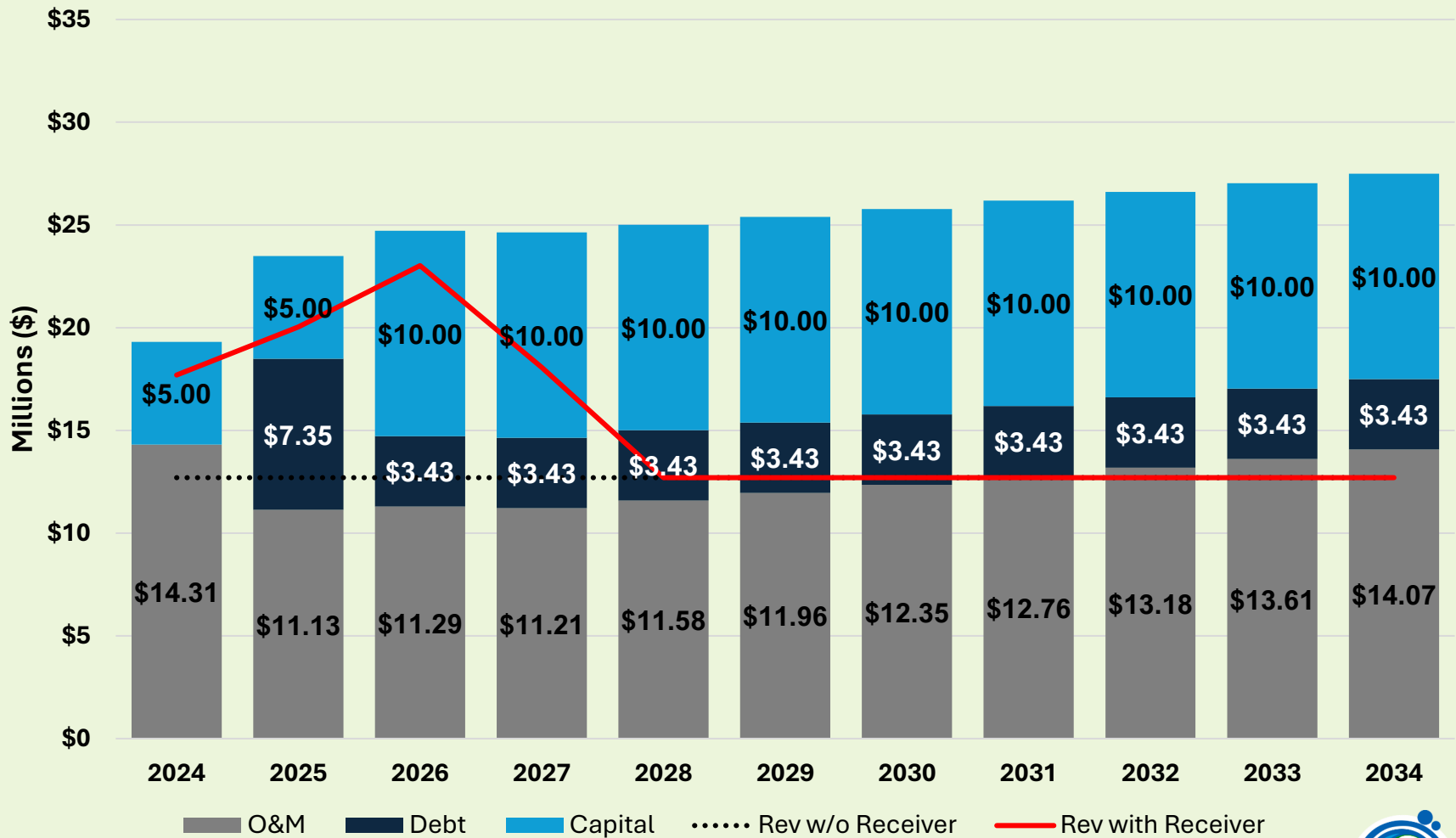


Water & Sewer Bill Burdens

Water and Sewer Bills		Bill as % of Median Household Income	Bill as a % of Lowest Quartile Income
Water & Sewer Bill for ¾" Meter, 2,000 gallon minimum (\$62.48/month)			
	Chickasaw, AL	1.88%	5.27%
	Prichard, AL	2.07%	4.77%
Water & Sewer Bill for ¾" Meter, 2,000 gallons minimum, 5,000 gallons/month (\$106.97/month)			
	Chickasaw, AL	3.21%	9.02%
	Prichard, AL	3.54%	8.17%



PWWSB Financial Challenges



Financial Challenges Prichard Water Works & Sewer

	FY 2024	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029	FY 2030	FY 2031	FY 2032	FY 2033	FY 2034
Water Rate Plan	0.00%	0.00%	25.00%	25.00%	25.00%	15.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Sewer Rate Plan	0.00%	0.00%	25.00%	25.00%	25.00%	15.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Senior-Lien DSC	0.00	0.28	1.53	2.66	3.95	4.93	4.84	4.75	4.65	4.54	4.41
Days Cash on Hand	-24	-292	-234	-39	123	192	235	255	253	228	183
CIP Execution %	100%	100%	100%	15%	65%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
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Total Single Family Bill	\$92.14	\$92.14	\$115.18	\$143.96	\$170.96	\$206.94	\$206.94	\$206.94	\$206.94	\$206.94	\$206.94

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ADEM-Funded Work

(Total of \$11.2M Secured by the Receiver)

- **Water Storage Tanks Design & Construction (\$2.4M)**
- **Monitoring and Control Technology Design (\$380K)**
- **Lovejoy Loop Pipeline Design (\$900K)**
- **Morris WWTP Improvements Design (\$460K)**
- **Financial Audits (\$400K)**
- **Financial Analysis/Rate Study (\$120K)**

- **Control Valves (Water Quality Enhancement) (\$1.6M)**
- **Lovejoy Pipeline Construction (\$4.4 million)**
- **PWWSB Integration Feasibility Study (\$600K)**



Years of Not Addressing Leakages

How PWWSB Has Avoided Rate Increases – But This Is Not Sustainable

Year	Water Purchased from MAWSS (gallons)	Percent Change Due to Leakage	% of MAWSS Water Sold to PWWSB
2025	1,553,941,000	-12.0%	13.14%
2024	1,634,197,000	-0.5%	14.23%
2023	1,615,315,000	+14.1%	14.98%
2022	1,556,324,000	+5.8%	13.25%
2021	1,471,640,000	+10.2%	13.18%
2020	1,336,005,800	+17.8%	11.60%
2019	1,134,447,000	-6.0%	9.53%
2018	1,167,902,100	+10.8%	10.28%
2017	1,054,229,000	+8.6%	9.70%
2016	970,807,800		8.43%

MAWSS Rate Increases for PWWSB's water for 2026-2028 = 6%/year

How the Receiver has avoided rate increases for PWWSB customers.



PWWSB Integration - Feasibility Study Scope

- **Capital Requirements**
- **Compatibility of Business Systems**
- **Operations & Maintenance Cost Savings**
- **Updated PWWSB Budget & Rate Impact**



The potential integration with PWWSB and MAWSS minimizes the impact of rates on customers in Prichard and Chickasaw, provides stable governance and expertise, and operational/financial sustainability.



The Tentative PWWSB Integration Process

- Complete Feasibility Study (end of 2026)
- Seek grant funding and address other enhancements compatible with the Integration Study's recommendations
- The Receiver makes proposal to MAWSS Board
- Obtain MAWSS Board approval
- **Only if the PWWSB Board does not approve the proposal...**
 - Legislative process
 - Mobile County referendum



“Everyone needs to get on board and start working together to solve problems to avoid future multiple double-digit rate increases.”



Sources for Grants, Appropriations, and Earmarks

The Receiver has met with numerous potential sources for grants, appropriations, and earmarks including...

- **Congressman Figures**
- **Senator Britt**
- **Senator Tuberville staff**
- **ADEM** (*Alabama Dept. of Environmental Management*)
- **USEPA**



Closing

The people of Prichard and Chickasaw deserve clean, affordable, and reliable water service.



Your Questions



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