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Masengil to lead Etowah Utilities

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The Etowah Utilities Board has a new general manager.

During Monday night's regular meeting, the board voted unanimously to promote Water and Wastewater Superintendent Harold Masengil to the soon-to-be-vacant post of general manager.

Current General Manager John Goins announced his intent to retire from his position on Jan. 4, and Etowah Utilities Board members quickly moved to fill the spot.



At the time of the announcement, Etowah Utilities Board Chairman Burke Garwood said he expected the general manager position to be filled from within, and it was, with Masengil taking over the reins.

Masengil is a native of McMinn County, having grown up just outside of Englewood. He attended Englewood Elementary School and McMinn Central High School before earning his undergraduate degree from Tennessee Wesleyan College (now University) and his master's degree from East Tennessee State University.

Masengil will have been with Etowah Utilities for four years in June. Prior to that, he worked three years for the Tennessee Valley Authority, three years for the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation, 10 years for the Tennessee American Water Company, and 22 years for Johns Manville.

He was also in the U.S. Navy Reserve for 30 years as an environmental health officer and was honorably discharged as a captain.

"I'm very excited," he said after the meeting. "I look forward to working with the Etowah Utilities Board, supporting our customers, maintaining our infrastructure, and taking care of our employees."



Masengil said he also looks forward to "continuing to work with Kathy (Price) on industrial development."

Goins plans to work through most of March, and that is when Masengil's contract is set to begin.

The two will work together in the meantime as Masengil prepares to take over for his current boss.

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