



MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR  
GARY SANITARY DISTRICT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
HELD ON **FEBRUARY 17, 2021** AT 10:00AM – Via ZOOM Video Conferencing

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1. The meeting was called to discuss the following, as authorized under Indiana Code Section 5-14-1.5-6:
  - The initiation of litigation, pending litigation, or written notice of threatened litigation.
2. The following persons were in attendance at the Executive Session:

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**PRESENT**

	via Conf. Call	via Zoom Video
Maurice G. Mabon, President	✓	
Ola V. Morris, Secretary		✓
Charles W. Jackson, Jr., Member		✓
Darnail Lyles, Member		✓
Daniel F. Vicari, Executive Director		✓
Tony Walker, Attorney		✓
Jerome Foster, Finance Manager		✓

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**ABSENT**

Charles G. Peller, Jr., Vice  
President

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3. The following matters were discussed and information received by the Board during its advertised Executive Session, and NO OFFICIAL ACTION was taken.
    - Collective Bargaining
    - The initiation of litigation, pending litigation, or written notice of threatened litigation
    - The purchase or lease of real property by the governing body up to the time a contract, or option to purchase or lease is executed by the parties
    - Discuss job performance evaluation or individual employees, excluding salary, compensation, or benefits of employees during the budget process

**GARY SANITARY DISTRICT  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

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**Maurice G. Mabon, President**

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**Ola V. Morris, Secretary**

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REGULAR MEETING HELD ON **FEBRUARY 17, 2021**

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**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING**

**DATE:** Wednesday, February 17, 2021  
**TIME:** 11:00AM  
**LOCATION:** Video / Tele Conferencing

**TYPE:** Regular Meeting  
**NOTICE PROVIDED IN ADVANCE:** YES  
**QUORUM:** YES

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**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT via**

<b>Video Conferencing</b>	<b>Tele-Conferencing</b>
Ola V. Morris Charles W. Jackson, Jr. Darnail Lyles	Maurice G. Mabon

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**ABSENT MEMBERS**

Charles G. Peller, Jr.

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**OTHERS PRESENT via**

<b>Video Conferencing</b>	<b>Tele-Conferencing</b>
Tony Walker Daniel F. Vicari Jerome Foster	

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**OTHERS ABSENT**

**Attendee Titling:**

*Maurice G. Mabon, President*  
*Charles G. Peller, Jr., Vice-President*  
*Ola V. Morris, Secretary/Treasurer*  
*Charles W. Jackson, Jr., Member*  
*Darnail Lyles, Member*

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*Tony Walker, Attorney*  
*Daniel F. Vicari, Executive Director*  
*Jerome Foster, Finance Manager*

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**Meeting ID: 667 768 1093**

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**Call to Order: 11:03AM** by Commissioner Mabon

As this meeting was conducted via Video/Tele-Conferencing, no action was taken for the Pledge of Allegiance. Commissioner Mabon began the Meeting with Roll Call. He then certified that prior to the February 17, 2021 Board Meeting, there was an Executive Session held. Commissioner Mabon asked if any Board Member dissented to the certification. Hearing none, he then proceeded with the meeting.



**1. MINUTES**

As per the Minutes of the February 1, 2021 Regular Board Meeting, Commissioner Mabon called for the Board's pleasure with respect to approving the minutes.

A motion to accept the Minutes of the Executive Session Items and the Regular Board Meeting Minutes of February 1, 2021 with any/all noted corrections; was given by Commissioner Morris. The motion for approval of the minutes was seconded by Commissioner Jackson and passed without dissent.

The vote: Three (3)-Ayes / One (1)-Abstention (Morris)

**2. NEW BUSINESS**

**2.1 A Motion to Approve GSD's Payroll Earnings for Period Ending: January 4, 2021 through January 17, 2021, in the amount of \$239,779.18.**

Finance Manager Jerome Foster recommended approval of the GSD Payroll Earnings Report submitted as GSD Agenda Item 2.1.

Commissioner Mabon called for the Board's pleasure with respect to approving GSD Agenda Item 2.1. Commissioner Jackson gave the motion to approve. The motion to Approve GSD's Payroll Earnings for Period Ending: January 4, 2021 through January 17, 2021 was seconded by Commissioner Morris and passed/approved.

The vote: Four (4)-Ayes / Zero (0)-No

**2.2 A Motion to Approve a One (1) Year Payment Deferral/Extension to the City of Gary for the Repayment of all loans pursuant to a seven (7) Year Schedule.**

Overview: Executive Director Vicari stated per GSD's Current Consent Decree, a \$600,000 loan payment was due to GSD from the City by December 31, 2020. The City placed a request with the Department of Justice to ask for a One-Year Extension in repayment. The request was approved by USEPA and DOJ. By January 31, 2022 a \$600,000 payment from the City of Gary to Gary Sanitary District will be necessary in order to stay on track with the loan repayment schedule under the Consent Decree.

Executive Director Vicari recommended approval of GSD Agenda Item 2.2.

Commissioner Mabon called for the Board's pleasure with respect to approving GSD Agenda Item 2.2. Commissioner Lyles gave the motion to approve. The motion to Approve a One (1) Year Payment Deferral/Extension to the City of Gary for the Repayment of all loans pursuant to a seven (7) Year Schedule was seconded by Commissioner Jackson and passed/approved.

The vote: Four (4)-Ayes / Zero (0)-No

**2.3 A Motion to Approve a Professional Services Agreement between Harris Law Firm, PC and Gary Sanitary District for Professional Legal Services.**



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Overview: Executive Director Vicari stated Harris Law Firm's contract are for continued services relative to such services as Human Resources.

Executive Director Vicari recommended approval of GSD Agenda Item 2.3.

Commissioner Mabon called for the Board's pleasure with respect to approving GSD Agenda Item 2.3. Commissioner Jackson gave the motion to approve. The motion to Approve a Professional Services Agreement between Harris Law Firm, PC and Gary Sanitary District for Professional Legal Services was seconded by Commissioner Lyles and passed/approved.

The vote: Four (4)-Ayes / Zero (0)-No

**2.4 A Motion to Approve Task Order No. 38 to the Master Services Agreement between American Structurepoint, Inc., and Gary Sanitary District for Year 2021 On-Call Engineering Services.**

Overview: Executive Director Vicari stated the Task Order authorizes the firm to complete on-call assignments.

Executive Director Vicari recommended approval of GSD Agenda Item 2.4.

Commissioner Mabon called for the Board's pleasure with respect to approving GSD Agenda Item 2.4. Commissioner Jackson gave the motion to approve. The motion to Approve Task Order No. 38 to the Master Services Agreement between American Structurepoint, Inc., and Gary Sanitary District was seconded by Commissioner Lyles and passed/approved.

The vote: Four (4)-Ayes / Zero (0)-No

**2.5 A Motion to Approve Task Order No. 38 to the Master Services Agreement between CDM Smith, Inc., and Gary Sanitary District for Year 2021 On-Call Engineering Services.**

Overview: Executive Director Vicari stated the Task Order authorizes the firm to complete on-call assignments.

Executive Director Vicari recommended approval of GSD Agenda Item 2.5.

Commissioner Mabon called for the Board's pleasure with respect to approving GSD Agenda Item 2.5. Commissioner Jackson gave the motion to approve. The motion to Approve Task Order No. 38 to the Master Services Agreement between CDM Smith, Inc., and Gary Sanitary District was seconded by Commissioner Lyles and passed/approved.

The vote: Four (4)-Ayes / Zero (0)-No

**2.6 A Motion to Approve Task Order No. 17 to the Master Services Agreement between Robinson Engineering and Gary Sanitary District for Year 2021 On-Call General Engineering and Land Survey Services.**



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Overview: Executive Director Vicari stated the Task Order authorizes the firm to complete on-call assignments.

Executive Director Vicari recommended approval of GSD Agenda Item 2.6.

Commissioner Mabon called for the Board's pleasure with respect to approving GSD Agenda Item 2.6. Commissioner Jackson gave the motion to approve. The motion to Approve Task Order No. 17 to the Master Services Agreement between Robinson Engineering and Gary Sanitary District was seconded by Commissioner Lyles and passed/approved.

The vote: Four (4)-Ayes / Zero (0)-No

**2.7 A Motion to Approve Task Order No. 1 to the Master Services Agreement between Shrewsberry & Associates, LLC and Gary Sanitary District for Year 2021 On-Call General Engineering Services.**

Overview: Executive Director Vicari stated the Task Order authorizes the firm to complete on-call assignments.

Executive Director Vicari recommended approval of GSD Agenda Item 2.7.

Commissioner Mabon called for the Board's pleasure with respect to approving GSD Agenda Item 2.7. Commissioner Jackson gave the motion to approve. The motion to Approve Task Order No. 1 to the Master Services Agreement between Shrewsberry & Associates, LLC and Gary Sanitary District was seconded by Commissioner Lyles and passed/approved.

The vote: Four (4)-Ayes / Zero (0)-No

**2.8 A Motion to Approve an Award of Bid to Bosak Ford for the Purchase of One (1) 2021 Ford Ranger, in an amount not-to-exceed \$31,561.00.**

Overview: Executive Director Vicari stated quotes were solicited for new vehicles as a great deal of GSD's fleet consists of older vehicles that are in need of extreme repair and/or replacement.

The 2021 Ford Ranger will be used to replace a 2004 Ford Expedition (to be decommissioned and used for parts) currently being used by GSD's Security Department.

Executive Director Vicari recommended approval of GSD Agenda Item 2.8.

Commissioner Mabon called for the Board's pleasure with respect to approving GSD Agenda Item 2.8. Commissioner Lyles gave the motion to approve. The motion to approve an Award of Bid to Bosak Ford for the Purchase of One (1) 2021 Ford Ranger was seconded by Commissioner Jackson and passed/approved

The vote: Four (4)-Ayes / Zero (0)-No



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**2.9 A Motion to Approve an Award of Bid to Bosak Ford for the Purchase of One (1) Four-Door Quad Cab Dually Truck, in an amount not-to-exceed \$71,415.00.**

Overview: Executive Director Vicari stated quotes were solicited for new vehicles as a great deal of GSD's fleet consists of older vehicles that are in need of extreme repair and/or replacement.

The Four-Door Quad Dually Truck will replace our existing 2009 Dually Truck in the Maintenance Department. The 2009 Dually Truck will not be taken out of service.

Executive Director Vicari recommended approval of GSD Agenda Item 2.9.

Commissioner Mabon called for the Board's pleasure with respect to approving GSD Agenda Item 2.9. Commissioner Jackson gave the motion to approve. The motion to approve an Award of Bid to Bosak Ford for the Purchase of One (1) Four-Door Quad Cab Dually Truck was seconded by Commissioner Lyles and passed/approved

The vote: Four (4)-Ayes / Zero (0)-No

**2.10 A Motion to Approve an Award of Bid to Bosak Ford for the Purchase of One (1) 4 x 4 Extended Cab Pickup, in an amount not-to-exceed \$51,846.00.**

Overview: Executive Director Vicari stated quotes were solicited for new vehicles as a great deal of GSD's fleet consists of older vehicles that are in need of extreme repair and/or replacement.

The 4 x 4 Extended Cab Pickup Truck will replace a 2002 Ford Explorer (to be decommissioned) currently being used in our Collections/Sewer Department.

Executive Director Vicari recommended approval of GSD Agenda Item 2.10.

Commissioner Mabon called for the Board's pleasure with respect to approving GSD Agenda Item 2.10. Commissioner Lyles gave the motion to approve. The motion to Approve an Award of Bid to Bosak Ford for the Purchase of One (1) 4 x 4 Extended Cab Pickup was seconded by Commissioner Jackson and passed/approved.

The vote: Four (4)-Ayes / Zero (0)-No

**2.11 A Motion to Approve an Award of Bid to Basak Ford for the Purchase of Four (4) Sport Utility Vehicles (SUVs), in an amount not-to-exceed \$127,880.00.**

Overview: Executive Director Vicari stated quotes were solicited for new vehicles as a great deal of GSD's fleet consists of older vehicles that are in need of extreme repair and/or replacement.

The Four (4) Sport Utility Vehicles (SUVs) will replace two (2) 2002 Ford Explorers, one (1) 2004 Ford Explorer and one (1) 2009 Ford Expedition (all to be decommissioned and used for parts) within Tech Services, Lift Stations and Laboratory.



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Executive Director Vicari recommended approval of GSD Agenda Item 2.11.

Commissioner Mabon called for the Board's pleasure with respect to approving GSD Agenda Item 2.11. Commissioner Morris gave the motion to approve. The motion to Approve an Award of Bid to Bosak Ford for the Purchase of Four (4) Sport Utility Vehicles (SUVs) was seconded by Commissioner Jackson and passed/approved.

The vote: Four (4)-Ayes / Zero (0)-No

**2.12 A Motion to Approve an Award of Bid to Bosak Ford for the Purchase of One (1) 4 x 4 Shortbed Pickup Truck, in an amount not-to-exceed \$35,032.00.**

Overview: Executive Director Vicari stated quotes were solicited for new vehicles as a great deal of GSD's fleet consists of older vehicles that are in need of extreme repair and/or replacement.

The 4 x 4 Short Bed Pickup Truck will be assigned the GSD Collections Department and replacing a 2002 F350 (Unit #002-006).

Executive Director Vicari recommended approval of GSD Agenda Item 2.12.

Commissioner Mabon called for the Board's pleasure with respect to approving GSD Agenda Item 2.12. Commissioner Jackson gave the motion to approve. The motion to Approve an Award of Bid to Bosak Ford for the Purchase of One (1) 4 x 4 Shortbed Pickup Truck was seconded by Commissioner Lyles and passed/approved.

The vote: Four (4)-Ayes / Zero (0)-No

**2.13 A Motion to Approve an Award of Bid to Bosak Ford for the Purchase of One (1) F350 Chassis XL 4 x 4 Crew Cab (w/Hydraulic Dump Body – including Snow Package) Pickup Truck, in an amount not-to-exceed \$70,169.00.**

Overview: Executive Director Vicari stated quotes were solicited for new vehicles as a great deal of GSD's fleet consists of older vehicles that are in need of extreme repair and/or replacement.

The F350 Chassis XL 4 x 4 Crew Cab Pickup Truck be used in our Sewer Department.

Executive Director Vicari recommended approval of GSD Agenda Item 2.13.

Commissioner Mabon called for the Board's pleasure with respect to approving GSD Agenda Item 2.13. Commissioner Jackson gave the motion to approve. The motion to Approve an Award of Bid to Bosak Ford for the Purchase of One (1) F350 Chassis XL 4 x 4 Crew Cab Pickup Truck was seconded by Commissioner Lyles and passed/approved.

The vote: Four (4)-Ayes / Zero (0)-No



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**2.14 A Motion to Approve an Award of Bid to LGS Plumbing for the Sanitary Sewer Repair at the vicinity of 8641 Lakewood Avenue, in an amount not-to-exceed \$155,000.00.**

Overview: Executive Director Vicari stated the Sanitary Sewer Repair at said location has been bid twice due to prices obtained. The price is staggering due to said sewer is 33' deep – among the deepest of sewers in the City. In the final bid responses, Gary-based Alex Metz Sewers bid was \$258,400 (which included sheeting); and Crown Point-based LGS Plumbing bid was \$155,000 (bid includes Trenchboxes).

Executive Director Vicari recommended approval of GSD Agenda Item 2.14.

Commissioner Mabon called for the Board's pleasure with respect to approving GSD Agenda Item 2.14. Commissioner Morris gave the motion to approve. The motion to Approve an Award of Bid LGS Plumbing for the Sanitary Sewer Repair at the vicinity of 8641 Lakewood Avenue was seconded by Commissioner Jackson and passed/approved.

The vote: Four (4)-Ayes / Zero (0)-No

**3. CLAIMS**

**3.1 GSD Claims Numbers: 363 thru 588, in the amount of \$1,368,972.76**

Overview: Finance Manager Jerome Foster recommended approval and ratification of the GSD Claims.

Commissioner Mabon called for the Board pleasure with respect to approving GSD Agenda Item 3.1. Commissioner Lyles gave the motion to approve. The motion for approval and ratification of GSD Claims Numbers 363 thru 588 was seconded by Commissioner Jackson and passed/approved.

The vote: Four (4)-Ayes / Zero (0)-No

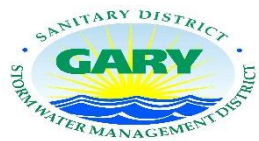
**4. INFORMATION UPDATES**

**4.1 Plant Superintendent**

Rhonda Anderson, Plant Superintendent, provided the Board with Plant/Maintenance Updates:

- **Class IV Operator Certification**
- **Semi-Annual Consent Decree Progress Report**
- **Major Projects**
  - Aeration Improvement Project
  - Grit Improvement Project
- **Maintenance**
  - Aerator #6 RAS valve replacement
  - Raw Sewage Pump A-40 repair
  - Screw Pump #1 repair
  - Dewatering Pump Station PLC programming
- **Safety**
  - SARA Tier II Report





**4.2 Construction Activity Updates**

Eric Tonk, Engineer, provided the Board with Construction Activity Updates:

- Project: Boiler Replacement Project – Boilers are up and running
- Project: New Administration Roof Replacement Project – Currently on hold due to weather
- Project: 29<sup>th</sup> & Calhoun Lift Station – Currently on hold due to weather
- Project: South Aeration Roofing Gallery Replacement Project – Currently on hold due to weather

**4.3 Compliance Department Updates**

Tammi Davis, Compliance Department Manager, provided the Board with Updates relative to the Compliance Department (items referenced in written report).

**5. DISCUSSION**

There were not discussion items.

**6. REQUEST TO SPEAK**

There was no one present requesting to speak.

**7. ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 12:41PM.

ADOPTED BY THE BOARD DURING THE MEETING ON:

03/01/2021

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**Maurice G. Mabon, President**

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**Ola V. Morris, Secretary**

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