



MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR
GARY SANITARY DISTRICT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
APRIL 5, 2021

NOTE: NO EXECUTIVE SESSION WAS HELD PRIOR TO THE START OF THE APRIL 5, 2021 GSD BOARD MEETING.



MINUTES OF THE GARY SANITARY DISTRICT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING HELD ON **APRIL 5, 2021**

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING

DATE: Monday, April 5, 2021
TIME: 11:00AM
LOCATION: Video / Tele Conferencing

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

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT via

Video Conferencing	Tele-Conferencing
Ola V. Morris Charles G. Peller, Jr. Darnail Lyles	Maurice G. Mabon Charles W. Jackson, Jr.

ABSENT MEMBERS

OTHERS PRESENT via

Video Conferencing	Tele-Conferencing
Tony Walker Daniel F. Vicari Jerome Foster	

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

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

ZOOM

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6677681093>

Meeting ID: 667 768 1093

Call to Order: 11:04AM 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 April 5, 2021 Board Meeting, there was NO EXECUTIVE SESSION held. Commissioner Mabon asked if any Board Member dissented to the certification. Hearing none, he then proceeded with the meeting.



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1. MINUTES

As per the Minutes of the March 15, 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 March 15, 2021 with any/all noted corrections; was given by Commissioner Morris. The motion for approval of the minutes was seconded by Commissioner Lyles and passed without dissent.

The vote: Five (5)-Ayes / Zero (0)-No

2. NEW BUSINESS

2.1 A Motion to Approve GSD's Payroll Earnings for Period Ending: February 15, 2021 through February 28, 2021, in the amount of \$264,890.87.

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 Lyles gave the motion to approve. The motion to Approve GSD's Payroll Earnings for Period Ending: February 15, 2021 through February 28, 2021 was seconded by Commissioner Morris and passed/approved.

The vote: Five (5)-Ayes / Zero (0)-No

2.2 A Motion to Approve an Agreement between Gary Sanitary District and the City of Gary for Reimbursement Costs of Solid Waste Collection and Disposal Services.

Overview: Executive Director Vicari stated the agreement pertains to specific areas of solid waste collection and disposal services throughout the city (i.e.: Citizen Drop Program located at each of the transfer stations of Republic Services (Lake Station and East Chicago) and costs for clean-up by the City of Gary General Services and Public Works Departments) and solid waste collection at city-owned facilities (i.e.: City Hall and Hudson-Campbell Heathclub). GSD will seek reimbursement from the City of Gary semi-annually (July and January of each year) for the services rendered in referenced areas.

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 an Agreement between Gary Sanitary District and the City of Gary for Reimbursement Costs of Solid Waste Collection and Disposal Services was seconded by Commissioner Jackson and passed/approved.

The vote: Five (5)-Ayes / Zero (0)-No



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2.3 A Motion to Approve the Purchase of a 2019 Elgin Bear Street Sweeper from Standard Equipment (w/a Trade-In of a 2007 Pelican Sweeper), in an amount not-to-exceed \$273,320.00.

Overview: Executive Director Vicari stated GSD currently has four (4) sweepers – ranging in age: 2007, 2014, 2016 and 2018. It is proposed that the 2007 Pelican Sweeper be traded in for the purchase of a heavy-duty, industrial type sweeper (Elgin Bear). The chase/truck comes with a 100,000 mile, five (5) year warranty.

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 Lyles gave the motion to approve. The motion to Approve the Purchase of a 2019 Elgin Bear Street Sweeper (from Standard Equipment, w/2007 Pelican Sweeper Trade-In) was seconded by Commissioner Jackson and passed/approved.

The vote: Five (5)-Ayes / Zero (0)-No

2.4 A Motion to Approve the Purchase of a 2014 Vactor Combination Sewer Cleaner from Standard Equipment, in an amount not-to-exceed \$189,500.00.

Overview: Executive Director Vicari stated GSD’s 2001 Vactor caught fire and was deemed a complete loss. An equitable settlement for the loss Vactor was reached via insurance for approximately \$80,000. GSD currently has in its Vactor fleet: two (2) 2007 Vactors, one (1) 2014 Vactor, one (1) 2015 Vactor, and one (1) 2020 Vactor. The proposed purchase of the 2014 Vactor will have a one (1) year warranty and is factory refurbished.

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 Peller gave the motion to approve. The motion to Approve the Purchase of a 2014 Vactor Combination Sewer Cleaner (from Standard Equipment) was seconded by Commissioner Lyles and passed/approved.

The vote: Five (5)-Ayes / Zero (0)-No

At this point of the meeting, Commissioner Lyles asked for permission to leave the meeting. As there are still four (4) Board Members present to form a quorum, permission to leave to given by Commissioner Mabon.

2.5 A Motion to Approve an Award of Bid to Grimmer Construction Co., for a Sanitary Sewer Repair at the vicinity of 1821 East Dunes Highway, in an amount not-to-exceed \$127,900.00.

Overview: Executive Director Vicari stated this repair will be for 196 linear feet of sewer (not including manhole replacement). Seventeen (17) contractors were solicited for quotes; with four (4) responses. The high bid was received from Hasse Construction with a price of \$189,600 and the



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lowest bid was received from Grimmer Construction Co. Participation was received from a Gary-based Contractor - Alex Metz Sewers, price \$167,100. Even considering the 10% Gary-based preference didn't give Alex Metz the lowest bid over the face-value bid of Grimmer Construction Co.

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 an Award of Bid to Grimmer Construction Co., for a Sanitary Sewer Repair at the vicinity of 1821 East Dunes Highway was seconded by Commissioner Peller and passed/approved.

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

3. CLAIMS

3.1 GSD Claims Numbers: 979 thru 1208, in the amount of \$1,731,732.76

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 Peller gave the motion to approve. The motion for approval and ratification of GSD Claims Numbers 979 thru 1208 was seconded by Commissioner Morris 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:

- **IWEA O&M Committee Meeting**
- **Major Projects**
 - Aeration Improvement Project
 - Grit Project
- **Operations**
 - Disinfection Season
 - Monthly Reports
 - Core Conference
- **Maintenance**
 - Disinfection Season Preparation
- **Safety**
 - Annual Fire Extinguisher Inspection
 - Training



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4.2 Construction Activity Updates

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

Project-New 29th and Calhoun Lift Station

– Project is nearing completion – Start up is tentatively set for April 13th

Project-13th Avenue Sewer Replacement Project

- Construction to start soon

Project-South Aeration Roofing Gallery Replacement

– Project is complete (inspections to be done soon_

Project-New Administration Roofing Project

- Project is complete

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 11:42AM.



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ADOPTED BY THE BOARD DURING THE MEETING ON:

04/19/2021

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