



MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR
GARY SANITARY DISTRICT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
FEBRUARY 23, 2022

Note: No Executive Session was held prior to the start of the February 23, 2022 GSD Board Meeting.



MINUTES OF THE GARY SANITARY DISTRICT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING HELD ON **FEBRUARY 23, 2022**

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING

DATE: Monday, February 23, 2022
TIME: 11:00AM
LOCATION: Virtual Meeting

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

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Daniel F. Vicari, President
Maurice G. Mabon, Vice President
Ola V. Morris, Secretary
Charles W. Jackson, Jr., Member

ABSENT MEMBERS

Darnail Lyles, Member

OTHERS PRESENT

Charles G. Peller, Jr., Executive Director
Jerome Foster, Finance Manager
Tony Walker, Attorney

OTHERS ABSENT

ZOOM

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

Meeting ID: 667 768 1093

- I. Call to Order: 11:02AM** by Chairman Vicari
Chairman Vicari began the Meeting with Roll-Call. He then certified that prior to the start of the February 23, 2022 Board Meeting, there was NO EXECUTIVE SESSION held. Chairman Vicari 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 Regular Meeting Minutes of the February 7, 2022, Chairman Vicari called for the Board's pleasure with respect to approving the minutes.

A motion to accept the Regular Meeting Minutes of the February 7, 2022 Meeting, 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: December 20, 2021 through January 2, 2022, in the amount of \$236,595.55.

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

Chairman Vicari 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: December 20, 2021 through January 2, 2022 was seconded by Commissioner Mabon and passed/approved.

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

2.2 A Motion to Approve Task Order No. 46 to the Master Services Agreement between CDM Smith, Inc., and Gary Sanitary District for Project Management and Quality Assurance/Quality Control, Bar Screen Replacement and Facility Planning for the 27th & Chase Street Pump Station, in an amount not-to-exceed \$137,000.00.

Overview: Executive Director Peller stated the existing bar screens at 27th & Chase Street's Pump Station have failed and are no longer operational. The purpose of Task Order No. 46 will be for CDM Smith, Inc. to develop bid documents, advertisement and selection of a contractor to replace the existing bar screens.

Executive Director Peller recommended approval of GSD Agenda Item 2.2.

Chairman Vicari called for the Board's pleasure with respect to approving GSD Agenda Item 2.2. Commissioner Jackson gave the motion to approve. The motion to Approve Task Order No. 46 to the Master Services Agreement between CDM Smith, Inc., and Gary Sanitary District for Project Management and Quality Assurance/Quality Control, Bar Screen Replacement and Facility Planning for the 27th & Chase Street Pump Station was seconded by Commissioner Lyles and passed/approved.

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



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- 2.3 A Motion to Approve Task Order No. 47 to the Master Services Agreement between CDM Smith, Inc., and Gary Sanitary District for Project Management and Quality Assurance/Quality Control, Condition Assessment and Alternatives Analysis for upgrading the Grit System at the 15th & Clay Street Pump Station, in an amount not-to-exceed \$53,500.00.**

Overview: Executive Director Peller stated the existing grit system at the 15th & Clay Street Pump Station is not performing and has resulted in damage to downstream equipment. Task Order No. 47 will allow CDM Smith, Inc. to assess the condition of the equipment of the existing grit system, establish a basis of design and develop a conceptual design to allow scoping of the detail design to upgrade the existing system.

Executive Director Peller recommended approval of GSD Agenda Item 2.3.

Chairman Vicari 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 Task Order No. 47 to the Master Services Agreement between CDM Smith, Inc., and Gary Sanitary District for Project Management and Quality Assurance/Quality Control, Condition Assessment and Alternatives Analysis for upgrading the Grit System at the 15th & Clay Street Pump Station was seconded by Commissioner Mabon and passed/approved.

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

- 2.4 A Motion to Approve a Memorandum of Understanding between the Lake County Board of Commissioners and the Gary Sanitary District for the Development and Redevelopment of the Property within the jurisdictional boundaries for the Calumet Township Sewer / GSD Modeling Project.**

Overview: Attorney Walker stated the MOU will allow for the development and redevelopment of the property within the jurisdictional boundaries for the Calumet Township Sewer / GSD Modeling Project.

Executive Director Peller recommended approval of GSD Agenda Item 2.4.

Chairman Vicari 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 a Memorandum of Understanding between the Lake County Board of Commissioners and the Gary Sanitary District for the Development and Redevelopment of the Property within the jurisdictional boundaries for the Calumet Township Sewer / GSD Modeling Project was seconded by Commissioner Lyles and passed/approved.

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



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- 2.5 A Motion to Approve Task Order No. 48 to the Master Services Agreement between CDM Smith, Inc., and Gary Sanitary District for Project Management and Quality Assurance/Quality Control, Model Setup and Alternatives Analysis for the Calumet Township Sewer / GSD Modeling Project, in an amount not-to-exceed \$40,200.00.**

Overview: Chairman Vicari stated Task Order No. 48 fits together with Approved Agenda Item 2.4. CDM Smith, Inc. will act as Project Managers for the Calumet Township Sewer/GSD Modeling Project.

Chairman Vicari called for the Board's pleasure with respect to approving GSD Agenda Item 2.5. Commissioner Mabon gave the motion to approve. The motion to Approve Task Order No. 48 to the Master Services Agreement between CDM Smith, Inc., and Gary Sanitary District for Project Management and Quality Assurance/Quality Control, Model Setup and Alternatives Analysis for the Calumet Township Sewer / GSD Modeling Project was seconded by Commissioner Lyles and passed/approved.

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

- 2.6 A Motion to Approve an Award of Bid to Alex Metz Sewers, Inc., for the Sanitary Sewer Repair at the vicinity of 5012 West 7th Avenue, in an amount not-to-exceed \$56,100.00.**

Overview: Executive Director Peller stated the existing main sewer has lost its structural integrity and collapsed, causing a cave-in, water infiltration and impedance of sewer flow. The cave-in is a pedestrian and vehicular hazard. Repair is necessary to prevent sanitary sewer overflow. Quotes were solicited from 17 contractors; with two (2) responses. Gary-based Alex Metz Sewers, Inc. bid was the lowest responsive and responsible bid.

Executive Director Peller recommended approval of GSD Agenda Item 2.6.

Chairman Vicari 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 an Award of Bid to Alex Metz Sewers, Inc., for the Sanitary Sewer Repair at the vicinity of 5012 West 7th Avenue was seconded by Commissioner Mabon and passed/approved.

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

- 2.7 A Motion to Approve an Award of Bid to Alex Metz Sewers, Inc., for the Sanitary Sewer Repair at the vicinity of 400 Marshall Street, in an amount not-to-exceed \$165,600.00.**

Overview: Executive Director Peller stated the existing main sewer has lost its structural integrity, causing water and sand infiltration, a severe depression on 4th Avenue (INDOT's US12 Highway) and impedance of sewer flow. This is a vehicular hazard. Repair is necessary to prevent sanitary sewer overflow. Quotes were solicited from 17 contractors; with three (3) responses. Gary-based Alex Metz Sewers, Inc. bid was the lowest responsive and responsible bid.

Executive Director Peller recommended approval of GSD Agenda Item 2.7.



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Chairman Vicari called for the Board's pleasure with respect to approving GSD Agenda Item 2.7. Commissioner Lyles gave the motion to approve. The motion to Approve an Award of Bid to Alex Metz Sewers, Inc., for the Sanitary Sewer Repair at the vicinity of 400 Marshall Street was seconded by Commissioner Mabon and passed/approved.

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

3. CLAIMS

3.1 **GSD Claims Numbers: 192 thru 504, in the amount of \$1,894,054.28**

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

Chairman Vicari 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 192 thru 504 was seconded by Commissioner Mabon and passed/approved.

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

4. INFORMATION UPDATES

4.1 **Plant Superintendent Updates**

Rhonda Anderson, Plant Superintendent, provided an overview of Plant Activities:

- Semi-Annual Consent Decree Progress Report
- **Major Projects**
 - Aeration Project
 - Grit Project
- **Operations**
 - Snow Melt/Rain
- **Maintenance**
 - Contact Chambers
 - Belt Filter Press #2
- **Safety Training**

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4.2 Construction Activity Updates

Eric Tonk, Engineer, provided an overview of current Construction Activities:

- Aeration System Improvements Project
 - Trial running Blowers bypassing the UPS to troubleshoot source causing lines to trip.
 - As-Built Drawings and O&M Manuals to be provided.
- Grit Improvements Project
 - Sky lights have been installed. Steel decking and roof wood blocking were finished on 2/12/22. Installation of new roof has started along with roof drains. Grip hopper demolition has started.
 - Installation of new interior MAU duct work.
- Oak Avenue Storm Sewer
 - Currently installing gutter system. Delays due to equipment delivery.
- 27th & Chase Street Pump Station Force Main Replacement Project
 - Submittal process regarding air release valve manholes, pipe material and permanent by-passing.
 - Tree removal to be completed by April 1, 2022.

5. DISCUSSION

There were not discussion items.

6. REQUEST TO SPEAK

There was no one present/virtually requesting to speak.

7. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 12:21PM.

ADOPTED BY THE BOARD DURING THE MEETING ON:

03/21/2022

Daniel F. Vicari

Daniel F. Vicari, President

Ola V. Morris

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