



MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR  
GARY SANITARY DISTRICT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
HELD ON **MARCH 15, 2021** AT 10:00AM – Via ZOOM Video Conferencing

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:

**PRESENT**

**ABSENT**

	via Conf. Call	via Zoom Video
Maurice G. Mabon, President	✓	
Charles G. Peller, Jr., Vice 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		✓

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*

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Maurice G. Mabon, President

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*Ola V. Morris*

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Ola V. Morris, Secretary



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REGULAR MEETING HELD ON **MARCH 15, 2021**

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**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING**

**DATE:** Monday, March 15, 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	Maurice G. Mabon
Charles W. Jackson, Jr.	Charles G. Peller, Jr.
Darnail Lyles	

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**ABSENT MEMBERS**

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

**Meeting ID: 667 768 1093**

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**Call to Order: 11:06AM** 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 March 15, 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.



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**1. MINUTES**

As per the Minutes of the March 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 March 1, 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: Four (4)-Ayes / Zero (0)-No

**2. NEW BUSINESS**

**2.1 A Motion to Approve GSD's Payroll Earnings for Period Ending: February 1, 2021 through February 14, 2021, in the amount of \$253,891.98.**

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 1, 2021 through February 14, 2021 was seconded by Commissioner Morris and passed/approved.

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

**2.2 A Motion to Approve an Award of Bid to Grimmer Construction for a Sanitary Sewer Repair at the vicinity of 966 Taney Street, in an amount not-to-exceed \$88,900.00.**

Overview: Executive Director Vicari stated quotes were solicited from 17 Contractors; with four (4) responses, with Grimmer Construction being the lowest, most responsive, responsible bidder for the collapsed sewer and manhole. A quote was received from Gary-based Gariup Construction for \$123,000.

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 Award of Bid to Grimmer Construction for a Sanitary Sewer Repair at the vicinity of 966 Taney Street was seconded by Commissioner Jackson and passed/approved.

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

**3. CLAIMS**

**3.1 GSD Claims Numbers: 732 thru 978, in the amount of \$1,247,931.22**

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



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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 732 thru 978 was seconded by Commissioner Jackson and passed/approved. The vote: Five (5)-Ayes / Zero (0)-No

**4. INFORMATION UPDATES**

**4.1 Plant Superintendent**

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

- Aeration Improvements Project-  
Blowers have been automated, to be integrated with SCAADA System
- Electric Bill Savings-  
GSD's Electric Bill for February 2021 was 46% less than the February 2020 Electric Bill  
Tracking the monthly savings (tied to the new Blowers are more efficient; along with automation processes)
- Gas Bill Savings-  
GSD's Gas Bill was 39% less than billing of 1 year ago
- Filter Rehab-  
Filters 4 and 8 are back in service
- Safety-  
Our insurance company is offering virtual safety trainings

**4.2 Construction Activity Updates**

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

Project-Boiler Replacement Project

- Received the “as-built” drawings, can now be closed out

Project-New 29th and Calhoun Lift Station

- Pump basin has been installed, new pumps to be installed during the week of March 20

Project-13<sup>th</sup> Avenue Sewer Replacement Project

- Contractor to mobilize 1<sup>st</sup> week of April

Project-South Aeration Roofing Gallery Replacement

- Project is moving along

Project-Aeration System Improvements

- Blower parts were replaced on #3 and #4 Blower motor was recently delivered – now operating on the main PLC

Project-Grit Improvements Project

- Army Corps has to approve the recovery schedule

**4.3 Compliance Department**

Tammi Davis provided the Board with a Compliance Department Update:

- A virtual meeting was held with Contractors to discuss how Contractors can do business/obtain contracts w/GSD.
- Apprenticeship Flyers have been updated



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- Participated in Hard Rock Casinos Vendor Fair
- Participated in the ACOE's Meeting regarding the 13<sup>th</sup> Avenue Sewer Replacement Project
- Participated in Great Lakes Day

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 11:47AM.

ADOPTED BY THE BOARD DURING THE MEETING ON:

04/05/2021

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