



MINUTES OF THE **GARY STORMWATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS**  
REGULAR MEETING HELD ON **AUGUST 7, 2023**

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**BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**DATE:** Monday, August 7, 2023  
**TIME:** 11:30AM  
**LOCATION:** In-Person, Boardroom

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

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**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

Daniel F. Vicari, President  
Maurice G. Mabon, Vice President  
Ola V. Morris, Secretary  
Darnail Lyles, Member

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**ABSENT MEMBERS**

Charles W. Jackson, Jr., Member

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**OTHERS PRESENT**

Charles G. Peller, Jr., Executive Director  
Jewell Harris, Jr., Attorney Harris Law Firm  
Jerome Foster, Finance Manager

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**OTHERS ABSENT**

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**I. Call to Order: 1:00PM** by Chairman Vicari

Chairman Vicari began the Meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance followed by Roll-Call. He then stated prior to the start of the August 7, 2023 Board Meeting, there was NO Executive Session held.

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**1. MINUTES**

As per the Executive Session and Regular Meeting Minutes of the July 17, 2023, Chairman Vicari called for the Board's pleasure with respect to approving the minutes.

A motion to accept the Executive Session and Regular Meeting Minutes of the July 17, 2023 Meeting, with any/all noted corrections; was given by Director Morris. The motion for approval of the minutes was seconded by Director Mabon and passed without dissent.

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

**2. NEW BUSINESS**

**2.1 A Motion to Approve GSWMD's Payroll Earnings for Period Ending: June 19, 2023 through July 2, 2023, in the amount of \$ 7,484.54.**

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

Chairman Vicari called for the Board's pleasure with respect to approving Agenda Item 2.1. Director Mabon gave the motion to approve. The motion to Approve GSWMD's Payroll Earnings for Period Ending: June 19, 2023 through July 2, 2023 was seconded by Director Lyles and passed/approved. The vote: Four (4)-Ayes / Zero (0)-No

**2.2 A Motion to Approve GSWMD's Payroll Earnings for Period Ending: July 3, 2023 through July 16, 2023, in the amount of \$ 7,484.54.**

Overview: Finance Manager Jerome Foster recommended approval of the GSWMD Payroll Earnings Report submitted as Agenda Item 2.2.

Chairman Vicari called for the Board's pleasure with respect to approving Agenda Item 2.2. Director Mabon gave the motion to approve. The motion to Approve GSWMD's Payroll Earnings for Period Ending: July 3, 2023 through July 16, 2023 was seconded by Director Lyles and passed/approved. The vote: Four (4)-Ayes / Zero (0)-No

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- 2.3 A Motion to Approve a Contract for Landscaping and Weed Control Services to Ecorealm, LLC., in an amount not-to-exceed \$10,000.00.**

**NOTE: MOTION MODIFIED ON THE FLOOR**

**NEW MOTION: A Motion to Approve and Ratify a Contract for Landscaping and Weed Control Services to Ecorealm, LLC., in an amount not-to-exceed \$10,000.00.**

Overview: MS4 Coordinator Brenda Scott-Henry stated the services provided by Ecorealm, LLC have a timeline from May 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023, by which Ms. Sandy O'Brien will perform services in nature of landscaping and weed control as detailed in the scope of work.

Scope of Work:

- Spring | Summer | Fall to Year End: Landscaping and Weed Control at City Hall, Gateway Area, Grand Blvd. Mitigation Wetland, Miller Rain Gardens and Reed Park

Chairman Vicari called for the Board's pleasure with respect to approving Agenda Item 2.3. Director Mabon gave the motion to approve. The motion to Approve and Ratify a Contract for Landscaping and Weed Control Services to Ecorealm, LLC., was seconded by Director Lyles and passed/approved. The vote: Four (4)-Ayes / Zero (0)-No

### 3. CLAIMS

- 3.1 GSWMD Claims Numbers: 129 through 137, in the amount of \$735,754.85**

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

Chairman Vicari called for the Board pleasure with respect to approving Agenda Item 3.1. Director Mabon gave the motion to approve. The motion for approval and ratification of GSWMD Claims Numbers 129 – 137 was seconded by Director Lyles and passed/approved.

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

### 4. INFORMATION UPDATES

- 4.1 MS4 Coordinator**

Brenda Scott Henry, MS4 Coordinator, provided an overview:

- Next MS4 Monthly Team Meeting will be September 11<sup>th</sup>

- 4.2 American Structurepoint, Inc.**

John Tucker, American Structurepoint, Inc., (ASI) provided the Board with updates:

- 4.3 Robinson Engineering**

Ron Smith, Robinson Engineering, provided the Board with updates:

- 6th Avenue Storm Water Improvement Project:  
Meeting was held on July 20th to discuss 6th Place Storm Water Improvement Project comments w/GSWMD engineering department and REL. We discussed the review comments from the



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GSWMD engineering department with regards to infiltrate the 100-year storm with no release to the District's combined sewers. Three options and cost estimates were explored to manage all stormwater on-site. We are waiting to receive comments back from the GSWMD engineering department from this meeting.

- Lake County Lake Street Bridge #243:  
Project status, water and gas utilities pending relocation; force main relocation completed early; project completion tentative November 2023.
  
- City-wide Paving Project:  
Bids were received on July 22nd by the Board of Public Works & Safety, lowest most responsive responsible bidder was approved on August 2nd at the Board of Public Works & Safety meeting, contracts are now being drafted by the legal department, once the preconstruction meeting date and time has been scheduled, meeting invite will be sent to GSWMD staff.

**5. DISCUSSION**

There were no discussion items.

**6. REQUEST TO SPEAK**

There was no one present to request to speak.

**7. ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 1:17PM.



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ADOPTED BY THE BOARD DURING THE MEETING ON:

08/21/2023

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