



MINUTES OF THE **GARY STORMWATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS**
REGULAR MEETING HELD ON **AUGUST 21, 2023**

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

DATE: Monday, August 21, 2023
TIME: 11:30AM
LOCATION: In-Person, Boardroom

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 G. Jackson, Jr., Member
Darnail Lyles, Member

ABSENT MEMBERS

OTHERS PRESENT

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

OTHERS ABSENT

I. Call to Order: 12:18PM by Chairman Vicari

Chairman Vicari began the Meeting with Roll-Call. He then stated prior to the start of the August 21, 2023 Board Meeting, there was Executive Session held and there was nothing discussed in Executive Session that was not indicated on the Posted Notice of the Executive Session; and being in compliance with Indiana Statues, there were no final votes held during the Executive Session. Chairman Vicari asked if any Board member dissented to the certification. Hearing none, he proceeded with the meeting.

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1. MINUTES

As per the Regular Meeting Minutes of the August 7, 2023, Chairman Vicari called for the Board's pleasure with respect to approving the minutes.

A motion to accept the Regular Meeting Minutes of the August 7, 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: Five (5)-Ayes / Zero (0)-No

2. NEW BUSINESS

2.1 A Motion to Approve GSWMD's Payroll Earnings for Period Ending: July 17, 2023 through July 30, 2023, in the amount of \$ 7,484.54.

Overview: Executive Director Peller 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: July 17, 2023 through July 30, 2023 was seconded by Director Morris and passed/approved. The vote: Five (5)-Ayes / Zero (0)-No

3. CLAIMS

3.1 GSWMD Claims Numbers: 138 through 148, in the amount of \$5,766.37

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 Jackson gave the motion to approve. The motion for approval and ratification of GSWMD Claims Numbers 138 - 148 was seconded by Director Lyles and passed/approved.

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

4. INFORMATION UPDATES

4.1 MS4 Coordinator

Brenda Scott Henry, MS4 Coordinator, provided an overview:

- There will be a report provided by consultants Metric Environmental at the next Board Meeting



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4.2 American Structurepoint, Inc.

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

-CHRIS MURPHY:

27th & Chase Street Force Main Replacement Groundbreaking to take place on September 7th at 10am (exact location to be determined)

Working on final design of the US20 Complete Street, Phase 2 Project (funded by Indiana Finance Authority) – work to start in 2024. Work will include stormwater improvements and stormwater ponds. Additional funding will have to be need to obtained to fund the \$2M funding gap to complete curbs and sidewalks to finish the project.

Question: Director Lyles asked how much of the right-of-way is owned by the State of Indiana.

Response: Chris Murphy responded that there are no official documents (by the State) to verify the actual right-of-ways.

-JOHN TUCKER:

Lake Street Drainage Project: Grimmer Construction is scheduled to be back on-site next Monday (at 3rd & Birch Street).

City-Wide Street Resurfacing to be presented to City Council this week

4.3 Robinson Engineering

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

- 6th Avenue Storm Water Improvement Project:

Currently working on drainage design and final drawings with bids to be ready to go out possibly in the fall.

- Lake County Lake Street Bridge #243:

Currently experiencing some delays due to the utility relocations; however the project is still on schedule for completion November 2023.

5. DISCUSSION

Question: Director Jackson asked if there was any update on a street sweeping schedule.

Response: Sewer Collections Manager LaMingo Tomlin stated there are no updates at this time.

Question: Director Jackson asked where will the new vector be stored/parked until the garage expansion project has been completed.

Response: Sewer Collections Manager LaMingo Tomlin stated the vector will be store/parked in the Dewatering Building garage.

Chairman Vicari stated parking in the Dewatering Building garage is temporary.



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Other details concerning the new vector (and its storage) were given by Sewer Collections Manager LaMingo Tomlin:

- In the matter for extending the parking garage, multiple stalls will be extended --- not just one (1) parking bay;
- New vector has a three (3) year warranty
- Multiple sewer/collections employees are qualified to operate the vector

Chairman Vicari reported on a few issues:

- Extended thank you to all GSD and GSWMD employees who worked for the Airshow
- Extended sympathy for the passing of Harlee Currie – was a Board Member from 2005 through 2013
- Extended sympathy for the passing of Myrlin Freeman, mother of former City of Gary Mayor Karen Freeman-Wilson

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 12:51PM.



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ADOPTED BY THE BOARD DURING THE MEETING ON:

09/06/2023

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