



MINUTES OF THE GARY SANITARY DISTRICT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING HELD ON **OCTOBER 7, 2024**

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING

DATE: Monday, October 7, 2024
TIME: 12:00PM, cst
LOCATION: GSD, Boardroom

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

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

William L. Allen, President
 Ola V. Morris, Vice President
 Maurice G. Mabon, Secretary/Treasurer
 Darnail Lyles, Member
 William Cook, Member

ABSENT MEMBERS

OTHERS PRESENT

Jewell Harris, Attorney – *Harris Law Firm*
 Brenda Scott-Henry, Interim Exec. Director
 Jerome Foster, Finance Manager

OTHERS ABSENT

I. Call to Order: 12:41PM by Chairman Allen

Chairman Allen began the Meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance followed by Roll-Call. He then stated prior to the start of the October 7, 2024 Board Meeting there was an 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 Statutes, there were no final votes held during the Executive Session. Chairman Allen asked if any Board member dissented to the certification. Hearing none, he proceeded with the meeting.

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1. MINUTES

Commissioner Mabon gave the motion to approve/accept the Executive Session and Regular Meeting Minutes of September 16, 2024, with any/all noted corrections. The motion for approval of the minutes was seconded by Commissioner Cook 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: August 26, 2024 through September 8, 2024, in the amount of \$262,544.54.

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

Chairman Allen called for the Board's pleasure with respect to approving GSD Agenda Item 2.1. Commissioner Mabon gave the motion to approve. The motion to Approve and Ratify GSD's Payroll Earnings for Period Ending: August 26, 2024 through September 8, 2024 was seconded by Commissioner Lyles and passed/approved.

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

2.2 A Motion to Approve GSD's Payroll Earnings for Period Ending: September 9, 2024 through September 22, 2024, in the amount of \$259,593.79.

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

Chairman Allen called for the Board's pleasure with respect to approving GSD Agenda Item 2.2. Commissioner Mabon gave the motion to approve. The motion to Approve and Ratify GSD's Payroll Earnings for Period Ending: September 9, 2024 through September 22, 2024 was seconded by Commissioner Lyles and passed/approved.

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

2.3 A Motion to Approve GSD Resolution No.: SD24-05, Authorizing the Gary Sanitary District to Dispose of Obsolete Equipment.

Overview: Interim Executive Director Brenda Scott-Henry state GSD is currently in possession of equipment now categorized as obsolete and is now unfit for its intended use by GSD (a list was provided). It is GSD's plan to hold an auction.

Chairman Allen 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 GSD Resolution No.: SD24-05, Authorizing the Gary Sanitary District to Dispose of Obsolete Equipment was seconded by Commissioner Cook and passed/approved.

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



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2.4 A Motion to Approve an Award of Bid to Cintas Corporation for Rental Uniforms and Rental of Floor Mats for Gary Sanitary District, for an estimated weekly amount of \$479.80.

Overview:

Chairman Allen called for the Board’s pleasure with respect to approving GSD Agenda Item 2.4. Commissioner Mabon gave the motion to approve. The motion to Approve an Award of Bid to Cintas Corporation for Rental Uniforms and Rental Floor Mats for GSD was seconded by Commissioner Lyles and passed/approved.

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

2.5 A Motion to Approve an Award of Bid to Howden USA for the Sole-Source Refurbishment of Four (4) Blowers in the Blower Building, in an amount not-to-exceed \$78,800.00.

Overview:

Chairman Allen 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 an Award of Bid to Howden USA for the Sole-Source Refurbishment of Blowers in the Blower Building 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 John Deere for the Sourcewell Purchase of a 2025 John Deere Gator Utility Vehicle, in an amount not-to-exceed \$30,255.77.

Overview:

Chairman Allen called for the Board’s pleasure with respect to approving GSD Agenda Item 2.6. Commissioner Lyles gave the motion to approve. The motion to Approve an Award of Bid to John Deere for the Sourcewell Purchase of a 2025 John Deere Gator Utility Vehicle was seconded by Commissioner Mabon and passed/approved.

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

2.7 A Motion to Approve a Professional Services Contract by and between Gary Sanitary District and Burns & McDonnell Engineering to Perform a Wastewater Cost of Service & Rate Study, in an amount not-to-exceed \$34,000.00.

Overview:

Chairman Allen 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 a Professional Services Contract by and between Gary Sanitary District and Burns & McDonnell Engineering to Perform a Wastewater Cost of Service & Rate Study was seconded by Commissioner Cook and passed/approved.

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



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- 2.8 A Motion to Approve a Professional Services Contract by and between Gary Sanitary District and Commonwealth Engineering to provide Engineering Services for the Development of the Gary Sanitary District's Combined Sewer Overflow (CSO) and Long-Term Control Plan (LTCP), in an amount not-to-exceed \$173,136.00.**

Overview:

Chairman Allen called for the Board's pleasure with respect to approving GSD Agenda Item 2.8. Commissioner Lyles gave the motion to approve. The motion to Approve a Professional Services Contract by and between Gary Sanitary District and Commonwealth Engineering to Provide Engineering Services for the Development of the Gary Sanitary District Combined Sewer Overflow and Long-Term Control Plan was seconded by Commissioner Morris and passed/approved.

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

- 2.9 A Motion to Approve a Contract Proposal for a Professional Services Contract by and between Gary Sanitary District and Gatekeeper Accounting Services, LLC., for In-House Auditing Services, in an amount not-to-exceed \$36,930.00.**

Overview:

MOTION MODIFIED to APPROVE THE ACCEPTANCE OF A PROPOSAL for Professional Services (In-Housing Auditing) by and between Gary Sanitary District and Gatekeeper Accounting Services, LLC., in an amount not-to-exceed \$36,930.00.

Chairman Allen called for the Board's pleasure with respect to approving the MODIFIED GSD Agenda Item 2.9. Commissioner Lyles gave the motion to approve. The motion to Approve the Proposal Acceptance for In-Housing Auditing Services by and between Gary Sanitary District and Gatekeeper Accounting Services, LLC was seconded by Commissioner Cook and passed/approved.

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

- 2.10 A Motion to Approve and Ratify a Contract Amendment by and between Gary Sanitary District and Rowell Chemical to Accept Reduced Chemical pricing for Sodium Hypochlorite (price reduced to \$1.80 per gallon from \$1.88 per gallon). Pricing thru July 31, 2025**

Overview:

Chairman Allen called for the Board's pleasure with respect to TABLING GSD Agenda Item 2.10. Commissioner Lyles gave the motion to approve TABLING GSD Agenda Item 2.10. The motion to Approve TABLING GSD Agenda Item 2.10 was seconded by Commissioner Mabon and passed/approved.

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



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CLAIMS

3.1 GSD Claims Numbers: 2315 through 2446, in the amount of \$2,320,084.94

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

Chairman Allen called for the Board pleasure with respect to approving GSD Agenda Item 3.1. Commissioner Mabon gave the motion to approve. The motion for approval and ratification of GSD Claims Numbers 2315 – 2446 was seconded by Commissioner Lyles and passed/approved.

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

3. INFORMATION UPDATES

4.1 Plant Activities – Kola Awosika, Interim Director of Plant Operations / Director of Engineering provided an overview:

4.2 American Structurepoint, Inc.

Jim Czarnik, American Structurepoint, Inc., (ASI) provided the Board with updates.

4. DISCUSSION

There were no discussion items.

5. REQUEST TO SPEAK

There was no one present requesting to speak.

6. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 1:48PM.



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ADOPTED BY THE BOARD DURING THE MEETING ON:

10/21/2024

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William L. Allen

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William L. Allen, President

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Maurice G. Mabon

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