

MINUTES OF THE GARY SANITARY DISTRICT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

REGULAR MEETING HELD ON FEBRUARY 21, 2025

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING

DATE:	Friday, February 21, 2025		TYPE:	Regular Meeting
TIME:	12:00PM, cst		NOTICE PROVIDED IN ADVANCE:	YES
LOCATION:	GSD, Boardroom		QUORUM:	YES
BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT			ABSENT MEMBERS	
William L. Allen, President			Freida Graves, Member	
Ola V. Morris, Vice President				
Maurice G. Mabon, Secretary				
Willie Cook, Member				
OTHERS PRESENT			OTHERS ABSENT	
Nick Snow, Attorney - Harris Law Firm				
Ragen Hatcher, Executive Director				
Jerome Foster, Finance Manager				

I. Call to Order: 12:21PM 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 February 21, 2025 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 Statues, 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.

II. Public Hearing - GSD Issuance of Bonds

<u>Overview</u>: Brandon Comer, Managing Partner of Comer Capital Group, stated the Purpose of today's Public Hearing is for the purpose of receiving and hearing remonstrances from persons interested in or affected by these proceedings, including persons owning real or personal property located within the District and persons owning land which may be injuriously affected by these proceedings, and at which hearing the Board would take final action to determine the public utility and benefit of the Project

The Public Hearing was called to order by Chairman Allen. With no attendees requesting to speak, the Public Hearing was closed.



III. Bid Opening:

27th & Chase Street Pump Station Force Main Replacement, Ph 3, GSD Project #SD24-06

Chairman Allen made a final call for the acceptance of Bids for 27^{th} & Chase Street Pump Station Force Main Replacement, Phase 3 Project. With no additional bids being received, Chairman Allen turned the meeting over to Attorney Snow to publicly opened and announced all bids received before the closing.

A. Hasse Construction Co., Inc., 10 Lincoln Avenue, Calumet City, IL 60409
Bid Amount: \$6,231,510.00
Six Million Two Hundred Thirty-One Thousand, Five Hundred Ten Dollars and no/cents

B. Grimmer Construction Co., 2619 Main Street, Highland, IN 46322 Bid Amount: \$7,470,098.50 Seven Million Four Hundred Seventy Thousand Ninety-Eight Dollars and 50/cents



1. MINUTES

1.1 Regular Meeting Minutes of February 7, 2025

Commissioner Mabon gave the motion to approve/accept the Regular Meeting Minutes of February 7, 2025 with any/all noted corrections. The motion for approval of the minutes was seconded by Commissioner Cook and passed without dissent

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

2. NEW BUSINESS

A Motion to Approve GSD's Payroll Earnings for Period Ending: January 13, 2025 through January 26, 2025, in the amount of \$260,227.35.

<u>Overview</u>: Finance Manager Jerome Foster recommended approval and ratification of the 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 GSD's Payroll Earnings for Period Ending: January 13, 2025 through January 26, 2025 was seconded by Commissioner Cook and passed/approved.

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

A Motion to Approve GSD Resolution No.: SD25-10, Establishing Board Compensation and Rescinding GSD Resolution No.: 2055 (previously adopted: 5/12/1998) relating to Board Member Compensation.

Chairman Allen called for the Board's pleasure with respect to DEFER approval of GSD Agenda Item 2.2. Commissioner Mabon gave the motion to approve DEFERRAL. The motion to DEFERRAL of GSD Resolution No.: SD25-10, was seconded by Commissioner Cook and passed/approved.

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

2.3 A Motion to Approve GSD Resolution No.: SD25-11, Approving a Confirmatory Resolution to Seek Funding for Sewer Improvements.

<u>Overview</u>: Brandon Comer of Comer Capital Group recommended approval of GSD Agenda Item 2.3.

Chairman Allen called for the Board's pleasure with respect to approving GSD Agenda Item 2.3. Commissioner Mabon gave the motion to approve. The motion to Approve GSD



Resolution No.: SD25-11, Approving a Confirmatory Resolution to Seek Funding for Sewer Improvements was seconded by Commissioner Cook and passed/approved.

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

2.4 A Motion to Approve GSD Resolution No.: SD25-12, Authorizing the Issuance of Revenue Bonds.

<u>Overview</u>: Executive Director Ragen Hatcher recommended approval of GSD Agenda Item 2.4.

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 GSD Resolution No.: SD25-12, Authorizing the Issuance of Revenue Bonds was seconded by Commissioner Cook and passed/approved.

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

3. CLAIMS

3.1 GSD Claims Nos.: 390 through 451, in the amount of \$1,113,371.59

<u>Overview</u>: Finance Manager Jerome Foster recommended approval and ratification of GSD Agenda Item 3.1.

Chairman Allen called for the Board's pleasure with respect to approving GSD Agenda Item 3.1. Commissioner Mabon gave the motion to approve. The motion to Approve GSD's Claims Nos.: 390 through 451 was seconded by Commissioner Cook and passed/approved.

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

4. INFORMATION UPDATES

4.1 Construction Activities -

Jabez Anderson, GSD Assistant Manager of Engineering, provided the Board with updates regarding GSD's Construction Projects.

5. DISCUSSION

There were no discussion items.

6. REQUEST TO SPEAK

There were no Requests to Speak.



7. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 12:41PM.



ADOPTED BY THE BOARD DURING THE MEETING ON:
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