



MINUTES OF THE GARY SANITARY DISTRICT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING HELD ON JUNE 20, 2025

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING

DATE: Friday, June 20, 2025
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
Willie Cook, Member
Freida Graves, Member
Lawrence Batiste, Member

ABSENT MEMBERS

OTHERS PRESENT

Jewell Harris, Jr., Attorney - Harris Law Firm
Ragen Hatcher, Executive Director
Jerome Foster, Finance Manager

OTHERS ABSENT

I. Call to Order: 12:24 PM by Chairman Allen

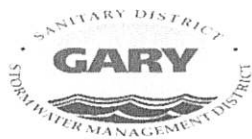
Chairman Allen began the Meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance followed by Roll-Call. He then stated prior to the start of the June 20, 2025 Board Meeting, there was an Executive Session held and there was nothing discussed in Executive Session that was not indicated on the Posted Notice of the Executive Session; and being in compliance with Indiana 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.

II. Bid Opening: Sanitary Sewer Repair at the vicinity of 3124 West 19th Place, Gary, Indiana

Attorney Harris made a final call for the acceptance of Bids for the Sanitary Sewer Repair. With no additional bids being received, the bids were opened.

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| - LGS Plumbing, Crown Point, IN | Bid Amount: \$121,500.00 |
| - Metz Sewers Plumbing & Pumping, Gary, IN | Bid Amount: \$114,350.00 |

All Bids will be forwarded to the Engineering Department for review and recommendation.



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1. MINUTES

1.1 Executive Session and Regular Meeting Minutes of June 6, 2025

Commissioner Cook gave the motion to approve/accept the Executive Session and Regular Meeting Minutes of June 6, 2025 with any/all noted corrections. The motion for approval of the minutes was seconded by Commissioner Graves and passed without dissent

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

2. NEW BUSINESS

2.1 A Motion to Approve the CORRECTED GSD Payroll Earnings for Period Ending: April 21, 2025 through May 4, 2025, in the amount of \$281,528.19.

Overview: Finance Manager Jerome Foster recommended approval and ratification of GSD Agenda Item 2.1.

Chairman Allen called for the Board's pleasure with respect to approving GSD Agenda Item 2.1. Commissioner Cook gave the motion to approve. The motion to Approve GSD CORRECTED Payroll Earnings for Period Ending: April 21, 2025 through May 4, 2025 was seconded by Commissioner Graves and passed/approved.

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

2.2 A Motion to Approve GSD Payroll Earnings for Period Ending: May 5, 2025 through May 18, 2025, in the amount of \$267,333.97

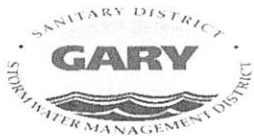
Overview: Finance Manager Jerome Foster recommended approval and ratification of GSD Agenda Item 2.2.

Chairman Allen called for the Board's pleasure with respect to approving GSD Agenda Item 2.2. Commissioner Cook gave the motion to approve. The motion to Approve GSD Payroll Earnings for Period Ending: May 5, 2025 through May 18, 2025 was seconded by Commissioner Graves and passed/approved.

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

2.3 A Motion to Approve GSD Payroll Earnings for Period Ending: May 19, 2025 through June 1, 2025, in the amount of \$276,748.65

Overview: Finance Manager Jerome Foster recommended approval and ratification of GSD Agenda Item 2.3.



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Chairman Allen called for the Board's pleasure with respect to approving GSD Agenda Item 2.2. Commissioner Cook gave the motion to approve. The motion to Approve GSD Payroll Earnings for Period Ending: May 19, 2025 through June 1, 2025 was seconded by Commissioner Graves and passed/approved.

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

2.4 **A Motion to Approve a Hoosier Start Resolution for the Employee Deferred Compensation Plan/Agreement by way of the State of Indiana.**

Overview: Executive Director Hatcher recommended approval of GSD Agenda Item 2.4, a 457(b) plan type of retirement savings account available to public sector employees and certain tax-exempt organizations. It is similar to a 401(k) and allows pre-tax retirement savings.

Chairman Allen called for the Board's pleasure with respect to approving GSD Agenda Item 2.4. Commissioner Cook gave the motion to approve. The motion to Approve a Hoosier Start Resolution for the Employee Deferred Compensation Plan/Agreement by the way of the State of Indiana was seconded by Commissioner Graves and passed/approved.

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

3. **CLAIMS**

3.1 **GSD Claims Nos.: 1246 through 1323, in the amount of \$1,392,889.59**

Overview: 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 Cook gave the motion to approve. The motion to Approve GSD's Claims Nos.: 1246 through 1323 was seconded by Commissioner Graves and passed/approved.

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

4. **INFORMATION UPDATES**

4.1 **Superintendent's Report -**

Timothy Alston, GSD Plant Superintendent, was absent. No updates were given.

4.2 **Construction Activities -**

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



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5. DISCUSSION

There were no discussion items.

6. REQUEST TO SPEAK

There was no one present for Request to Speak.

7. ADJOURNMENT

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



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ADOPTED BY THE BOARD DURING THE MEETING ON:

07/18/2025

WILLIAM ALLEN, PRESIDENT

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Willie Cook, Secretary
Freida Graves, Member
Lawrence Batiste, Member

WILLIE COOK, SECRETARY