



MINUTES OF THE GARY SANITARY DISTRICT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING HELD ON MARCH 6, 2026

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING

DATE: Friday, March 6, 2026
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, Secretary/Treasurer
Freida Graves, Member
Lawrence Batiste, Member

ABSENT MEMBERS

OTHERS PRESENT

Nick Snow, Attorney, Harris Law Firm
Ragen Hatcher, Executive Director
Jerome Foster, Finance Manager

OTHERS ABSENT

I. Call to Order: 12:13 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 February 20, 2026 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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II. Bid Opening: Procurement of Sodium Bisulfite

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| <p>1. Alexander Chemical
7593 S. First Rd., LaPorte, IN
Amount: \$1.909/Gallon
\$190,900/Annually</p> | <p>2. Southern Ionics Inc.,
579 Commerer St., West Point, MS
Amount: \$2.10/Gallon
\$210,000/Annually</p> |
| <p>3. PVC Chemical
10900 Harper Ave., Detroit, MI
Amount: \$1.75/Gallon
\$262,500/Annually</p> | <p>4. Catalynt Solutions
22817 102nd Pl. West, Edmonds, WA
Amount: \$1.86
\$186,000/Annually</p> |

Bids will be forwarded to GSD Staff for review and recommendation.

III. Bid Opening: Procurement of a Multi-Zone Heating & Cooling Unit, Project #2026-RFQ-26

- 1. ACMG Group**
10769 Broadway, Crown Point, IN
Amount: \$348,000.00

Bid will be forwarded to GSD Staff for review and recommendation.

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1. MINUTES

1.1 **Executive Session and Regular Meeting Minutes of February 20, 2026**

Commissioner Cook gave the motion to for the approval / acceptance of the Executive Session and Regular Meeting Minutes of February 20, 2026 with any/all noted corrections. The motion for approval of the minutes was seconded by Commissioner Batiste and passed without dissent.

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

2. NEW BUSINESS

2.1 **A Motion to Approve GSD Payroll Earnings for Period Ending: January 26, 2026 through February 8, 2026, in the amount of \$275,165.78.**

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 Payroll Earnings for Period Ending: January 26, 2026 through February 8, 2026 was seconded by Commissioner Batiste and passed/approved.

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

2.2 **A Motion to Approve an Award of Bid to Metz Sewer Plumbing & Pumping LLC., for the Sanitary Sewer Repair at the vicinity of 420 Cleveland Street.**

Overview: Executive Director Ragen Hatcher recommended approval 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 an Award of Bid to Metz Sewer Plumbing & Pumping, LLC., was seconded by Commissioner Batiste and passed/approved.

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

2.3 **A Motion to Approve GSD Resolution No.: SD26-05, A Confirmatory Resolution of the Board of Commissioners of the Gary Sanitary District with respect to its Intention for Trash Truck Financing and Negotiations.**

Overview: Financial Consultant Brandon Comer of Comer Capital recommended approval 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 2.3. Commissioner Cook gave the motion to approve GSD Agenda Item 2.3. The motion to approve GSD Resolution No.: SD26-05, a Confirmatory Resolution of the Board of Commissioners with Respect to its Intention for Trash Truck Financing and Negotiations was seconded by Commissioner Batiste and passed/approved.

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

2.4 **A Motion to Approve GSD Resolution No.: SD26-06, Authorizing the Gary Sanitary District Executive Director to Obtain a Credit Card for Gary Sanitary District Use.**

Overview: Executive Director Hatcher recommended approval of GSD Agenda Item 2.4.

Chairman Allen called for the Board's pleasure with respect to approved GSD Agenda Item 2.4. Commissioner Cook gave the motion to approve GSD Agenda Item 2.4. The motion to Approve GSD Resolution No.: SD26-6, Authorizing the Gary Sanitary District Executive Director to Obtain a Credit Card for GSD use was seconded by Commissioner Batiste and passed/approved.

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

3. **CLAIMS**

3.1 **GSD Claims Nos.: 349 - 452, in the amount of \$1,015,002.71**

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.: 349 - 452 was seconded by Commissioner Batiste and passed/approved.

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

4. **INFORMATION UPDATES**

4.1 **Superintendent's Report -**

Timothy Alston, GSD Plant Superintendent, provided the Board with updates regarding Plant Activities.

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 were no Requests to Speak.

7. **ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 12:33PM.

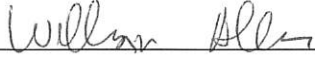


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ADOPTED BY THE BOARD DURING THE MEETING ON:

03/20/2026

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



WILLIAM ALLEN, PRESIDENT



WILLIE COOK, SECRETARY