

CITY OF EAST CHICAGO
BOARD OF SANITARY COMMISSIONERS

BOARD MEMBERS

Miguel (Mike) Rivera, President
Alojzy (Ben) Moricz, Vice-President
Tia Cauley, Member
Loreto Gonzalez, Member
Steve Flowers, Member

Regular Meeting Minutes
(Via Telephone Conference)
Thursday, August 6, 2020 @ 4:30 p.m.

Reported for Fissinger & Associates
By: Lisa Pena

CALL TO ORDER: 4:30 p.m.

MR. RIVERA: We can also stipulate that the members delegate the President the authority to execute all warrants, documents, minutes, et cetera on behalf of the Commission eliminating the need to collect signatures from the members participating electronically.

ROLL CALL: Present in Chambers: Miguel Rivera
Present Via Telephone: Alojzy Moricz, Loreto Gonzalez, Steve Flowers

Also Present: Present in Chambers: Anthony Herrera, John Martinez
Present Via Telephone: Joe Allegretti, Keith Selvie

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: July 2, 2020, July 16, 2020 and
Special Meeting July 23, 2020

Motion to approve July 2, 2020, July 16, 2020 Meeting Minutes and July 23, 2020 Special Meeting Minutes made by Loreto Gonzalez. Second by Steve Flowers.

Questions/Comments: None.

Roll Call: "All in Favor": All Abstain: None.
Opposed: None Motion Carries.

1 CHECK WARRANTS:

2 Sanitary District, Wastewater Division

3 MR. RIVERA: The next item is Check Warrants for the
4 Sanitary District, Wastewater Division. Warrant Number
5 080620 SW for the amount of \$120,912.43. (\$129,912.43 on
6 agenda)

7 Motion to approve Check Warrant 080620 SW made by Loreto
8 Gonzalez. Second by Alojzy Moricz.

9 Questions/Comments: None.

10 Roll Call: "All in Favor": All Abstain: None.
11 Opposed: None Motion Carries.

12 MR. RIVERA: Next is Warrant Number 080620 SC for the
13 amount of \$4,6000.

14 Motion to approve Check Warrant 080620 SC made by Loreto
15 Gonzalez. Second by Alojzy Moricz.

16 Questions/Comments: None.

17 Roll Call: "All in Favor": All Abstain: None.
18 Opposed: None Motion Carries.

19 MR. RIVERA: Next is Warrant Number 080620 SR for the
20 amount of \$32,979.51.

21 Motion to approve Check Warrant 080620 SR made by Loreto
22 Gonzalez. Second by Alojzy Moricz.

23 Questions/Comments: None.

24 Roll Call: "All in Favor": All Abstain: None.
25 Opposed: None Motion Carries.

MR. RIVERA: Next is Warrant Number 072420 Sanitary
Board Payroll 7/4/20 to 7/17/20.

Motion to approve Check Warrant 072420 Sanitary Board Payroll
7/4/20 to 7/17/20 made by Steve Flowers. Second by Loreto
Gonzalez.

Questions/Comments: None.

1 Roll Call: "All in Favor": All Abstain: None.
Opposed: None Motion Carries.

2 MR. RIVERA: Next is Warrant Number 072420 Utilities
3 Payroll 7/4/20 to 7/17/20.

4 Motion to approve Check Warrant 072420 Utilities Payroll
5 7/4/20 to 7/17/20 made by Loreto Gonzalez. Second by Alojzy
6 Moricz.

6 Questions/Comments: None.

7 Roll Call: "All in Favor": All Abstain: None.
Opposed: None Motion Carries.

8 MR. RIVERA: Next is Warrant Number 072420 Wastewater
9 Payroll 7/4/20 to 7/17/20.

10 Motion to approve Check Warrant 072420 Wastewater Payroll
11 7/4/20 to 7/17/20 made by Steve Flowers. Second by Loreto
12 Gonzalez.

12 Questions/Comments: None.

13 Roll Call: "All in Favor": All Abstain: None.
Opposed: None Motion Carries.

14 Sanitary District, Solid Waste Division

15 MR. RIVERA: Next is Warrants for the Sanitary District,
16 Solid Waste Division. Warrant Number 080620 SS for the
17 amount of \$15,919.16.

18 Motion to approve Check Warrant 080620 SS made by Loreto
19 Gonzalez. Second by Steve Flowers.

19 Questions/Comments: None.

20 Roll Call: "All in Favor": All Abstain: None.
Opposed: None Motion Carries.

21 MR. RIVERA: Next is Warrant Number 072420 Solids
22 Payroll 7/4/20 to 7/17/20.

23 Motion to approve Check Warrant 072420 Solids Payroll 7/4/20
24 to 7/17/20 made by Loreto Gonzalez. Second by Steve Flowers.

25 Questions/Comments: None.

1 Roll Call: "All in Favor": All Abstain: None.
Opposed: None Motion Carries.

2 MR. RIVERA: Let the record reflect that Tia Cauley is
3 participating.

4 REPORT FROM WASTEWATER DIVISION: None.

5 REPORT FROM UTILITY DIVISION MATTERS: None.

6 REPORT FROM FIELD OPERATIONS:

7 MR. RIVERA: Next item is Report from Field Operator
John Martinez who is in Council Chambers.

8 MR. MARTINEZ: Good evening, Board. I come to you right
9 now to go over some of the projects that I talked to you
10 about a couple months ago.

11 Our aerator boxes were in really bad shape. Number
12 2 and 4 gear reduction boxes have been changed out. Number 2
13 needs to be changed out with the unit removed from Number 4
14 which is being rebuilt. Gear reduction will be removed from
15 Number 2 which is being rebuilt and stored for a spare.

16 That's good because none of those units have been
17 serviced for over 35 years. And we're headed in the right
18 direction.

19 RAS pumps have all been installed brand-new. And I
20 am happy to say that now if we have to shut our Plant down we
21 could do it because we have the gears to do it with. That's
22 a great thing.

23 Number 205 pump at Magoun Avenue has to be rebuilt.
24 TM on the serpentine belt and transfer conveyer and
25 Dewatering Building, gear reduction oil change, change belts,
belt drive greased and oils, rollers and grease everything,
rebuilt wastewater pump, rear plates, radio plates,
mechanical seals and seal holding bearings, these are the
things that are to be done in the Plant. And now we're
starting to do them.

And I'd also like to thank the Board for giving me
a chance to replace that fence at Alder Street Pump Station.
The entrance gate now is terrific. Now we can open and close
that gate like nothing.

The only thing we have left to do this year and

1 we're hoping to do it in the next month is take down all of
2 our clarifiers which a yearly thing. But we haven't done it
3 in a year and a half or a couple of years because we didn't
4 happen to have those RAS pumps installed or involved. But
5 now we can close off any clarifier that we have to take down
6 for service and put it back in service.

7 That's all I have right now. Thank you.

8 MR. RIVERA: Thank you. Are there any questions for
9 Mr. Martinez? Thank you very much.

10 REPORT FROM SOLID WASTE: None.

11 REPORT FROM FINANCIAL CONSULTANT: None.

12 REPORT FROM LEGAL COUNSEL:

13 MR. RIVERA: Next item is Report from Legal Counsel, Joe
14 Allegretti.

15 MR. ALLEGRETTI: Nothing new to report. Phase 2 of the
16 Long-Term CSO Control Plan is proceeding. The Notice to
17 Proceed is scheduled to go out on September 8. The general
18 contractor is gearing up. We've got the bonds and the
19 insurance policy in place. And it looks like everything is
20 going forward on schedule.

21 That's my report. Thank you.

22 MR. RIVERA: Thank you. Any questions for
23 Mr. Allegretti?

24 NEW BUSINESS:

25 MR. RIVERA: Next item is New Business. We have a Sewer
Bill Adjustment. Mr. Herrera is going to comment on that.

MR. HERRERA: Hello, Board Members. 4928 there was a
reread performed previous to the billing period which was 6/5
of '20 through July 8 of '20. The owner called and inquired
about the bill being so high. We then sent a meter reader
out to reread the meter and found that the bill reading, the
info was incorrect.

So basically they went out and read the bill
incorrectly. Kind of like a time period mistake there I
believe.

1 That bill number was to be adjusted to the correct
2 usage as noted. Correct usage should be 1,000. Correct
3 reading is 96,000. The incorrect reading was 18,200. We're
4 asking the Board to adjust this.

5 MR. RIVERA: Is there a motion for the Adjustment for
6 4928 Baring?

7 Motion to approve 4928 Baring Avenue Sewer Bill Adjustment
8 made by Loreto Gonzalez. Second by Steve Flowers.

9 Questions/Comments: None.

10 Roll Call: "All in Favor": All Abstain: None.

11 Opposed: None Motion Carries.

12 MR. RIVERA: Next item we have is a Past Due Invoice
13 here for EC Auto Repair for \$200. And it states here that
14 the delinquency reason is received invoice on Monday, July
15 27, 2020 from Maintenance Man A. Arroyo to process for
16 payment.

17 Motion to approve EC Auto Repair Past Due Invoice made by
18 Steve Flowers. Second by Loreto Gonzalez.

19 Questions/Comments: None.

20 Roll Call: "All in Favor": All Abstain: None.

21 Opposed: None Motion Carries.

22 MR. RIVERA: Next item is another Past Due Invoice.
23 This one is for NH Environmental for the amount \$15,437.50.
24 The delinquency states here Dr. Abdul approved the Sanitary
25 District to process for payment on July 22, 2020. Invoice
was in question as to which Department was responsible for
payment.

 Motion to approve NH Environmental Past Due Invoice made by
Loreto Gonzalez. Second by Alojzy Moricz.

 Questions/Comments: None.

 Roll Call: "All in Favor": All Abstain: None.

 Opposed: None Motion Carries.

 UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None.

 PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

1 * Next Regular Meeting Date: Thursday, August 20,
2020 @ 4:30 p.m.

3 Motion to adjourn made by Loreto Gonzalez. Second by Steve
4 Flowers.

5 * Meeting ended at 4:45 p.m.

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1 Approval of the Meeting Minutes of
2 Thursday, August 6, 2020
3 Approved and Signed _____

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6 Miguel Rivera, President

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8 /S/ Alojzy Moricz
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10 Alojzy Moricz, Vice-President

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12 /S/ Loreto Gonzalez
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14 Loreto Gonzalez, Member

15 /S/ Tia Cauley
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17 Tia Cauley, Member

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19 /S/ Steve Flowers
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21 Steve Flowers, Member

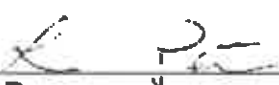
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24 Anthony Herrera, Board Secretary
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C E R T I F I C A T E

I, Lisa Pena, a competent and duly qualified court reporter, do hereby certify that I did report in machine shorthand the foregoing proceedings and that my shorthand notes so taken at said time and place were thereafter reduced to typewriting under my personal direction.

I further certify that the foregoing typewritten transcript constitutes minutes of said proceedings taken at said time and place, so ordered to be transcribed.

Dated at Portage, Indiana, this 17th day of August, 2020.



Lisa Pena
Notary Public Porter County
Certified Shorthand Reporter
License Number 084-003483



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