CITY OF EAST CHICAGO
BOARD OF SANITARY COMMISSIONERS
BOARD MEMBERS

Steve Flowers, President
Henry Ventura, Vice-President
Alojzy (Ben) Moricz, Member
Tia Cauley, Member
Jawann Jones, Member

Regular Meeting Minutes
Thursday, March 5, 2026, at 4:00 p.m.

Reported for Fissinger & Associates, Ltd.
By: Peggy S. LaLonde

Call to Order: 4:00 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Present In Chambers: Steve Flowers, Henry Ventura, Ben Moricz, Tia Cauley, Jawann Jones

Staff Present in Chambers: Lilia Ramos, Secretary
Allan Lee, Utilities
Rebecca Sliger, Financial

Staff Present via Zoom: Joseph Allegretti, Legal

MR. FLOWERS: I will now call to order the regular meeting of the Sanitary Board of Commissioners of East Chicago for March 5th, 2026.
I need a motion to approve minutes from February 19th, 2026 as written.

MS. CAULEY: Motion for approval.

MR. JONES: Second.

MR. FLOWERS: All in favor signify aye.
(All signify aye.)
MR. FLOWERS: Motion carries.
Check Warrants: Sanitary District Wastewater Division: Warrant 022026 SW, total of $78,933.80; Warrant 030526 SW, total of $194,897.66.

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Payroll Warrants: Warrant 022726 Sanitary Board Payroll, dates of 2-7-26 to 2-20-26; Warrant 022726 Wastewater Payroll, dates of 2-7-26 to 2-20-26; Warrant 022726 Utilities Payroll, dates of 2-7-26 to 2-20-26.

Sanitary District, Solid Waste Division: Warrant 030526 RS, total $262,709.67; Warrant 030526 SS, total $206,353.62; Warrant 022726 Solids Payroll, dates of 2-7-26 to 2-20-26.

MS. CAULEY: Make a motion.

MR. JONES: I will second the motion.

MR. FLOWERS: All in favor signify aye.

(All signify aye.)

MR. FLOWERS: Motion carries.

Report from Solid Waste: Jaylan Robinson, Director. Not present.

Report of Field Operations: Allan Lee, Utility Director.

MR. LEE: Got a quick couple things for you. I just gave you a list of what was done last week and what has to be done this week. Just inside, what repairs are going on inside the plant and outside of the plant.

And also, going forward, to replace a lot of stuff in the plant. I thought I'd give you a little sheet to show you what we are doing. A little bit of reading for you.

MR. FLOWERS: Thank you, Mr. Lee. Any questions, Commissioners? (None)

Report from Financial Consultant, Rebecca Sliger.

MS. SLIGER: The report was included in your packet. If you have any questions feel free to ask me here or contact me at the office at any time.

MR. FLOWERS: Thank you, Miss Sliger.

Report from Legal Counsel: Joe Allegretti.

MR. ALLEGRETTI: No report, Mr. President.

MR. FLOWERS: Thank you, Mr. Allegretti.

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New Business: Resolution SD 26-04, Resolution authorizing the write-off of certain delinquent sewer charges and penalties.

MR. JONES: Make a motion for approval.

MR. VENTURA: Second.

MR. FLOWERS: All in favor signify aye.

(All signify aye.)

MR. FLOWERS: Motion carries.

Agreements/Proposals/Quotes/Rate Sheets: Envirosight 2026 Rate Sheet, not-to-exceed of $90,000.00.

MR. VENTURA: Make a motion to approve.

MR. JONES: Second.

MR. FLOWERS: Any questions pertaining to the motion? (None)

All in favor signify aye.

(All signify aye.)

MR. FLOWERS: Motion carries.

"Emergency" Goodwin/Xylem 2026 Rate Sheet, not-to-exceed $90,000.00.

MR. JONES: Make a motion for approval.

MS. CAULEY: Second.

MR. FLOWERS: Any questions pertaining to the motion? (None)

All in favor signify aye.

(All signify aye.)

MR. FLOWERS: Motion carries.

SL Technologies Quote - $10,025.00.

MR. VENTURA: Make a motion to approve.

MR. JONES: Second that motion.

MR. FLOWERS: Any questions on the motion? (None)

All in favor signify aye.

(All signify aye.)

MR. FLOWERS: Motion carries.

Other Business: ECSD schedule of estimated project coats and funding.

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MS. RAMOS: That is just for your information Board members, from Mr. Allegretti and Allan Lee, Utility Director.

MR. FLOWERS: Moving on -- thank you.

Past Due Memo: Faegre & Drinker, $15,915.50. Explanation: Received invoices via e-mail from the Law Department 2/19/26.

MR. JONES: Make a motion to approve.

MS. CAULEY: Second.

MR. FLOWERS: Any questions pertaining to the motion? (None)

All in favor signify aye.

(All signify aye.)

MR. FLOWERS: Motion carries.

Past Due Memo: Tallman Equipment, $1,505.54. Explanation: Received invoices via an e-mail February 25th.

MR. JONES: Make a motion for approval.

MR. VENTURA: Second.

MR. FLOWERS: Any questions pertaining to the motion? (None)

All in favor signify aye.

(All signify aye.)

MR. FLOWERS: Motion carries.

Past Due Memo: Chicago Communications, $507.00. Explanation: Invoice was mailed to the wrong department. Received February 28th.

MR. JONES: I'll make a motion.

MR. VENTURA: Second.

MR. FLOWERS: Any questions pertaining to the motion? (None)

All in favor signify aye.

(All signify aye.)

MR. FLOWERS: Motion carries.

Public Comment: None

Our next meeting date is scheduled for March 19, 2026, at 4:00 p.m., here in the Council Chambers.

Need a motion to adjourn.

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MR. JONES: Make a motion for adjournment.

MS. CAULEY: Second.

MR. FLOWERS: All in favor signify aye.
(All signify aye.)
MR. FLOWERS: Motion carries.
Meeting adjourned. Thank you.

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Approval of the Meeting Minutes of Thursday March 5th, 2026

Approved and signed _____

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Steve Flowers, President

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Henry Ventura, Vice-President

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Tia Cauley

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Ben Moricz

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Jawann Jones

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Lilia Ramos, Recording Secretary

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C E R T I F I C A T E

I, Peggy S. LaLonde, 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 the said proceedings taken at said time and place, so ordered to be transcribed.

Dated at Munster, Indiana, this 10th day of March, 2026.



Peggy S. LaLonde

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