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 19, 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

Present Via Zoom: Tia Cauley

Staff Present in Chambers: Lilia Ramos, Secretary

Staff Present via Zoom: Allan Lee, Utilities Director

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

MR. VENTURA: Motion for approval.

MR. MORICZ: Second.

MR. FLOWERS: All in favor signify aye.
(All signify aye.)
MR. FLOWERS: Motion carries.
Check Warrants: Sanitary District Wastewater Division: Warrant 031926 RS, amount of $1,285.24; Warrant 031126 SW, amount of $59,067.00; Warrant 031926 SW, amount of $77,251.60.
Let's move to approve those.

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MR. VENTURA: Make a motion to approve.

MR. MORICZ: Second.

MR. FLOWERS: All in favor signify aye.
(All signify aye.)
MR. FLOWERS: Motion carries.
Payroll Warrants: Warrant 031326 Sanitary Board Payroll, dates of 2-21-26 to 3-6-26; Warrant 031326 Wastewater Payroll, dates of 2-21-26 to 3-6-26; Warrant 031326 Utility Payroll, dates of 2-21-26 to 3-6-26.

MR. VENTURA: Make a motion to approve.

MR. MORICZ: Second.

MR. FLOWERS: All in favor signify aye.
(All signify aye.)
MR. FLOWERS: Motion carries.
Sanitary District, Solid Waste Division: Warrant 031926 RS, amount of $27,422.02; Warrant 031926 SS, amount of $106,349.44; Warrant 031326 Solids Payroll, dates of 2-21-26 to 3-6-26.

MR. VENTURA: Make a motion to approve.

MR. MORICZ: Second.

MR. FLOWERS: All in favor signify aye.
(All signify aye.)
MR. FLOWERS: Motion carries.
Report from Solid Waste, Jaylan Robinson. Not present.
Report of Field Operations, Mr. Allan Lee, Utility Director.

MR. LEE: Same report as a couple weeks ago. There's a couple new things that are going to be in your packet. That's all.

MR. FLOWERS: Thank you, Mr. Lee.
Report from Financial Consultant, Rebecca Sliger. Not present, but the information is in our packet.
Final report from Legal Counsel, Joe Allegretti, who is not present. Moving on.
New Business:
Agreements/Proposals/Quotes/Rate Sheets - I will read

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them all and we can make one motion to approve.
Interstate Power Systems 2026 rate sheet, not-to-exceed $10,000.00.
Toll Road 2026 rate sheet, not-to-exceed $5,000.00.
Columbia Lock & Key LLC 2026 rate sheet, not-to-exceed $5,000.00.
Secure Shred 2026 rate sheet, not-to-exceed $10,000.00.
STM Enterprises, LLC 2026 Lawn Maintenance Proposal, $53,250.00.
Donohue Agreement, not-to-exceed $113,400.00.

MS. RAMOS: Mr. President, I'd just like to make note that the Lawn Maintenance proposal is for three of the pump stations and for the entire plant for the season of 2026.

MR. FLOWERS: Okay, thank you.

MR. VENTURA: Make a motion to approve.

MR. MORICZ: Second.

MR. FLOWERS: All in favor signify aye.
(All signify aye.)
MR. FLOWERS: Motion carries.

(Commissioner Cauley has joined by Zoom.)

MR. FLOWERS: Other business. We have a past due memo from ALS Group USA, amount of $2,132.00. Explanation: Received invoice via an e-mail from 3-10-26.

MR. VENTURA: Make a motion to approve.

MR. MORICZ: Second.

MR. FLOWERS: All in favor signify aye.
(All signify aye.)
MR. FLOWERS: Motion carries.
Public Comment: None
Our next meeting date is April 2, 2026 at 4:00 p.m., here in East Chicago City Hall Chambers.

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MS. RAMOS: I just want to make sure the record reflects that Commissioner Cauley is on Zoom, so she is present.

MR. FLOWERS: Sorry, I didn't see that. Hello, Commissioner. Let it be noted Commissioner Cauley is present. Thanks, Lilia.
I need a motion to adjourn.

MR. VENTURA: Make a motion to adjourn.

MR. MORICZ: 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 19th, 2026

Approved and signed _____

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Henry Ventura, Vice-President

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Tia Cauley

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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 23rd day of March, 2026.



Peggy S. LaLonde

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