

CITY OF EAST CHICAGO
BOARD OF SANITARY COMMISSIONERS

BOARD MEMBERS

Steve Flowers, President
Alojzy (Ben) Moricz, Vice-President
Tia Cauley, Member
Miquel (Mike) Rivera, Member
Jawann Jones, Member

Regular Meeting Minutes
Thursday, May 6, 2021, at 4:30 p.m.
Reported for Fissinger & Associates, Ltd
By: Peggy S. LaLonde, CSR, RPR

Call to Order: 4:30 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance:

Roll Call: Present in Chambers: Steve Flowers
Present Telephonic Conference: Tia Cauley,
Ben Moricz, Miguel Rivera, Jawann Jones

Staff Present in Chambers: Anthony Herrera,
Joseph Allegretti

MR. FLOWERS: The meeting will now come to order. This is the meeting of the East Chicago, Indiana, Board of Sanitary Commissioners. This is May 6, 2021, 4:30 p.m., City Hall Chambers. The meeting is being conducted via phone conference. We'll also stipulate the members delegate the president the authority to execute all warrants, documents, minutes, etcetera, on behalf of the Commission, eliminating the need to collect signatures from the members participating electronically.

First item, approval of the minutes of meetings held on April 1st, 2021 and April 13th, 2021. Is there a motion?

MR. MORICZ: Make a motion.
MR. RIVERA: Second.
MR. FLOWERS: All in favor?
(All signify aye.)
MR. FLOWERS: Motion carries.

1 the motion? (None) All in favor?
(All signify aye.)
2 MR. FLOWERS: Motion carries.
3 WARRANT 043021 - Wastewater Payroll
Dates of 4/10/21 to 4/23/21
Is there a motion?
4 MS. CAULEY: Make a motion.
5 MR. MORICZ: Second.
6 MR. FLOWERS: Any questions or comments?
7 (None) All in favor?
(All signify aye.)
8 MR. FLOWERS: Motion carries.
9 WARRANT 041621 - Wastewater Payroll
Dates of 3/27/21 to 4/9/21
Is there a motion?
10 MS. CAULEY: Make a motion.
11 MR. MORICZ: Second.
12 MR. FLOWERS: Any questions or comments
13 pertaining to the motion? (None) All in favor?
(All signify aye.)
14 MR. FLOWERS: Motion carries.
15 WARRANT 043021 - Utilities Payroll
Dates of 4/10/21 to 4/23/21
Is there a motion?
16 MR. RIVERA: Make a motion.
17 MR. MORICZ: Second.
18 MR. FLOWERS: Any questions pertaining to
19 the motion? (None) All in favor?
(All signify aye.)
20 MR. FLOWERS: Motion carries.
21 Sanitary District - Solid Waste Division
WARRANT 050621 SS - \$35,896.47
Is there a motion?
22 MS. CAULEY: Make a motion.
23 MR. RIVERA: Second.
24 MR. FLOWERS: Any questions pertaining to
25 the motion? (None) All in favor?

1 Check Warrants, Sanitary District, Wastewater Division.
2 WARRANT 050621 SC - \$822,447.81
3 MR. RIVERA: Motion to approve.
4 MR. MORICZ: Second.
5 MR. FLOWERS: Any questions pertaining to
6 the motion? (None) All in favor signify aye?
(All signify aye.)
7 MR. FLOWERS: Motion carries.
8 WARRANT 050621 SR - \$9,347.68 Is there a motion?
9 MR. MORICA: Make a motion.
10 MR. RIVERA: Second.
11 MR. FLOWERS: All in favor?
(All signify aye.)
12 MR. FLOWERS: Motion carries.
13 WARRANT 050621 SW - \$158,217.48. Is there a motion?
14 MR. RIVERA: Motion to accept.
15 MR. MORICZ: Second.
16 MR. FLOWERS: All in favor?
(All signify aye.)
17 MR. FLOWERS: Motion carries.
18 Next are Payroll Warrants.
19 WARRANT 043021 - Sanitary District Board Payroll
Dates of 4/10/21 to 4/23/21
20 MR. MORICZ: Make a motion.
21 MS. CAULEY: Second.
22 MR. FLOWERS: Any questions on the
23 motion? (None) All in favor?
(All signify aye.)
24 MR. FLOWERS: Motion carries.
25 WARRANT 041621 - Sanitary District Board Payroll
Dates of 3/27/21 to 4/9/21
MR. RIVERA: Make a motion.
MR. MORICZ: Second.
MR. FLOWERS: Any questions pertaining to

1 (All signify aye.)
2 MR. FLOWERS: Motion carries.
3 WARRANT 043021 - Solids Payroll
Dates of 4/10/21 to 4/23/21
Is there a motion?
4 MR. RIVERA: Motion.
5 MR. MORICZ: Second.
6 MR. FLOWERS: Any questions pertaining to
7 the motion? (None) All in favor?
(All signify aye.)
8 MR. FLOWERS: Motion carries.
9 WARRANT 041621 - Solids Payroll
Dates of 3/27/21 to 4/9/21.
Is there a motion?
10 MS. CAULEY: Make a motion.
11 MR. MORICZ: Second.
12 MR. FLOWERS: Any questions pertaining to
13 the motion? (None) All in favor?
(All signify aye.)
14 MR. FLOWERS: Motion carries.
15 Moving on to reports. Field
Operations - Ken Myers. No report. Solid Waste - Rene
Cid. No report. Report from Financial Consultant. No
report. Report from legal counsel, Mr. Joe Allegretti.
16 MR. ALLEGRETTI: No report. I have some
17 things on the agenda to talk about though.
18 MR. FLOWERS: So no report. New
19 Business: Resolution 2021 Board of Public Works, EPA
Brownfields Grant Access Agreement, 5400 Cline Avenue.
Mr. Allegretti?
20 MR. ALLEGRETTI: This is the old transfer
21 station property. Actually there is two parcels here
22 that are subject to the grant application. The one we
23 own is the transfer station, the old incinerator
24 property. This Access Agreement is allowing assessment
25 by the EPA for purpose of us getting a grant to perform
a Phase 2, which would be a significant expense and good
benefit for our agency.
The Board of Works has the adjoining
property, the City service facility, has already agreed

1 to the same Access Agreement that's been approved by the
 2 Board of Works, and we are suggesting that we make a
 3 similar execution of the Access Agreement for the
 4 adjoining property that we own.
 5 MR. FLOWERS: Thank you, Mr. Allegretti.
 6 Is there a motion?
 7 MS. CAULEY: Make a motion.
 8 MR. RIVERA: Second.
 9 MR. FLOWERS: Any questions pertaining to
 10 the motion? (None) All in favor?
 11 (All signify aye.)
 12 MR. FLOWERS: Motion carries.
 13 Solicitation of Competitive bids for
 14 Solids Waste Disposal Services. Mr. Allegretti?
 15 MR. ALLEGRETTI: Our contract - we had a
 16 two-year contract with Republic Services - used to be
 17 Allied Republic Services - this was a transfer station
 18 on Columbus Avenue, and I think we are all familiar with
 19 that. That two-year contract had the one-year extension
 20 for us putting our municipal solid waste and paying the
 21 rate. The negotiated contract rate is expiring
 22 July 31st. The statute requires us to solicit public
 23 bids for disposal services. This authorizes me and the
 24 staff to place an ad in the newspaper soliciting bids
 25 from our existing vendor and other people - people
 26 dealing in this area, and authorizes me to place the
 27 ads. And then opening of the bids would take place, I
 28 think, two meetings from now. So I am asking permission
 29 to proceed and to publish that solicitation for public
 30 bids. That's what this is.
 31 MR. FLOWERS: Thank you, Mr. Allegretti.
 32 Is there a motion?
 33 MR. RIVERA: Make a motion.
 34 MS. CAULEY: Second.
 35 MR. FLOWERS: Any questions pertaining to
 36 the motion? (None) All in favor?
 37 (All signify aye.)
 38 MR. FLOWERS: Motion carries.
 39 Next we have SDI proposal for
 40 \$5,916.00. Is there a motion?

1 MS. CAULEY: Second.
 2 MR. FLOWERS: Any questions pertaining to
 3 the motion? (None) All in favor?
 4 (All signify aye.)
 5 MR. FLOWERS: Motion carries.
 6 I would just state, the reason for
 7 the past due here states the vendor is e-mailing the
 8 invoice and the administrative office is having an issue
 9 of receipt of invoice. Office contacted Praxair and
 10 resolved this issue.
 11 Unfinished Business: None
 12 Public Comment: None
 13 Next meeting date, May 20, 2012, at
 14 4:30. Is there a motion to adjourn?
 15 MS. CAULEY: Make a motion to adjourn.
 16 MR. RIVERA: Second.
 17 MR. FLOWERS: All in favor?
 18 (All signify aye.)
 19 MR. FLOWERS: Motion carries. Meeting
 20 adjourned.
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 22 ***** Meeting adjourned *****
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1 MS. CAULEY: Make a motion.
 2 MR. MORICZ: Second.
 3 MR. FLOWERS: Any questions pertaining to
 4 the motion? (None) All in favor?
 5 (All signify aye.)
 6 MR. FLOWERS: Motion carries.
 7 Door Tech proposal. From what I
 8 understand, that's the second bid so we are going to
 9 move on from that. That's the second bid, do we have to
 10 remove that?
 11 MR. ALLEGRETTI: We don't have to take
 12 any action on that tonight.
 13 MR. FLOWERS: According to Attorney
 14 Allegretti, we don't have to take action on that tonight
 15 so we'll move on to the next item.
 16 Adjustment of 1100 Columbus Drive
 17 West.
 18 MS. GUZMAN: Winna Guzman, Water
 19 Department. This adjustment is relating to account
 20 18608. And the reason for adjustment, the meter
 21 readings came in with no usage, zero consumption,
 22 resulting with the customer being assessed a bill
 23 requesting a credit of \$10,857.52. So in attempting to
 24 correct it, we contacted Ferguson to assist us with
 25 addressing this issue with the zero consumption and
 26 coming into the system. So I am recommending that the
 27 adjustment be approved under bill number 1345941 to
 28 reflect the correct usage and correct amount to the bill
 29 of \$5,326.12.
 30 MR. FLOWERS: Thank you.
 31 MR. RIVERA: Make a motion.
 32 MR. MORICZ: Second.
 33 MR. FLOWERS: Any questions pertaining to
 34 the motion? (None) All in favor?
 35 (All signify aye.)
 36 MR. FLOWERS: Motion carries.
 37 Next item is past due - Praxair,
 38 amount of \$96.10.
 39 MR. RIVERA: Motion to accept.

1 Approval of the Meeting Minutes of Thursday
 2 May 6, 2021
 3 Approved and signed
 4 (S) Steve Flowers
 5 Steve Flowers, President
 6 (S) Ben Moricz
 7 Ben Moricz, Vice-President
 8 (S) Tia Cauley
 9 Tia Cauley
 10 (S) Miguel Rivera
 11 Miguel (Mike) Rivera
 12 (S) Jawann Jones
 13 Jawann Jones
 14 (S) Anthony Herrera
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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 11th day of May, 2021.



Peggy S. LaLonde, CSR, RPR