CITY OF EAST CHICAGO
BOARD OF STORM WATER COMMISSIONERS
BOARD MEMBERS

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

Regular Meeting Minutes
Thursday, May 7th, 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 Director
Rebecca Sliger, Financial
Joseph Allegretti, Legal

MR. FLOWERS: I will now call to order the regular meeting of the Storm Water Commissioners of East Chicago for May 7th, 2026.
I need a motion to approve minutes from April 16th, 2026 meeting as written.

MS. CAULEY: Make a motion for approval.

MR. VENTURA: Second.

MR. FLOWERS: All in favor signify aye.
(All signify aye.)
MR. FLOWERS: Motion carries.
Check Warrant: Warrant 050726 ST, amount of $57,735.34.

MS. CAULEY: Make a motion.

Electronically signed by Peggy LaLonde (301-364-327-3860) f72eb3ce-42f8-4570-93bf-3283194aec4e

MR. VENTURA: Second.
MR. FLOWERS: All in favor signify aye.
(All signify aye.)
MR. FLOWERS: Motion carries.
Payroll Warrants: Warrant 042426 Storm Water Payroll, dates of 4-4-26 to 4-17-26.
MR. VENTURA: Make a motion to approve.
MR. JONES: I'll second the motion.
MR. FLOWERS: All in favor signify aye.
(All signify aye.)
MR. FLOWERS: Motion carries.
Report from Legal Counsel, Joe Allegretti.
MR. ALLEGRETTI: No report, Mr. President.

MR. FLOWERS: Thank you, Mr. Allegretti.
Report from Field Operations, Allan Lee, Utility Director.

MR. LEE: No report.

MR. FLOWERS: Thank you, Mr. Lee.
Report from Financials, Rebecca Sliger.

MS. SLIGER: No report at this time.

MR. FLOWERS: Thank you.
New Business: Resolution SD 26-02, a Resolution of the East Chicago Storm Board authorizing additional appropriations to the East Chicago Storm Water Utility Operating Fund 6501.

MS. SLIGER: Again, here, Mr. President, we are asking that resolution be removed from the agenda per our meeting later on this month with BakerTilly for further review of the financial status of the Storm Water Division.

MR. FLOWERS: Thank you.

MR. VENTURA: I'll make a motion to remove the resolution.

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MR. JONES: I'll second.

MR. FLOWERS: All in favor signify aye.
(All signify aye.)
MR. FLOWERS: Motion carries.
Agreements/Proposals/Quotes/Rate Sheets: R & D Construction rate sheet, not-to-exceed $150,000.00 (Cooperation with Engineering Resurfacing Project First Group Agreement).

MR. VENTURA: Make a motion for approval.

MS. CAULEY: Second.

MR. FLOWERS: All in favor signify aye.
(All signify aye.)
MR. FLOWERS: Motion carries.
Ford 2026 rate sheet, not-to-exceed $25,000.00.

MR. VENTURA: Make a motion to approve.

MR. JONES: I'll second that motion.

MR. FLOWERS: All in favor signify aye.
(All signify aye.)
MR. FLOWERS: Motion carries.
Public Comment: None
Our next scheduled meeting is May 21, 2026, here in the Chambers.
Is there a motion to adjourn?

MR. VENTURA: Make a motion to adjourn.

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
May 7th, 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 18th day of May, 2026.



Peggy S. LaLonde

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