



MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR
GARY SANITARY DISTRICT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
HELD ON **NOVEMBER 4, 2019** AT 10:00AM – 3600 W. 3rd Ave., Gary, IN

1. The meeting was called to discuss the following, as authorized under Indiana Code Section 5-14-1.5-6:

- The initiation of litigation, pending litigation, or written notice of threatened litigation.

2. The following persons were in attendance at the Executive Session:

PRESENT

Tramel Raggs, President
Maurice G. Mabon, Vice-President
Ola V. Morris, Secretary
Charles W. Jackson, Jr., Member
Daniel F. Vicari, Executive Director
Vern E. White, Director of Administration
Jewell Harris, Jr., Attorney
Mayor Karen Freeman-Wilson

ABSENT

3. The following matters were discussed and information received by the Board during its advertised Executive Session, and NO OFFICIAL ACTION was taken.

- The initiation of litigation, pending litigation, or written notice of threatened litigation.

GARY SANITARY DISTRICT
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Tramel Raggs, President

Ola V. Morris, Secretary



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REGULAR MEETING HELD ON **NOVEMBER 4, 2019**

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING

DATE: Monday, November 4, 2019
TIME: 11:00AM
LOCATION: GSD, Board Room

TYPE: Regular Meeting
NOTICE PROVIDED IN ADVANCE: YES
QUORUM: YES

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

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Maurice G. Mabon, Vice-President
Ola V. Morris, Secretary
Charles W. Jackson, Jr., Member

ABSENT MEMBERS

OTHERS PRESENT

Daniel F. Vicari, Executive Director
Vern E. White, Director of Administration
Jewell Harris, Jr., Attorney
Mayor Karen Freeman-Wilson

OTHERS ABSENT

Call to Order: 11:16 AM by Commissioner Raggs

Commissioner Raggs began the Meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance followed by Roll Call. He then certified that prior to the November 4, 2019 Board Meeting, there was an Executive Session held and there was nothing discussed in the Executive Session that was not indicated on the Posted Notice of the Executive Session; and being in compliance with the Indiana Statutes, there were no final votes held during the Executive Session. Commissioner Raggs asked if any Board Member dissented to the certification. Hearing none, he then proceeded with the meeting.

1. MINUTES

As per the Minutes of the October 21, 2019 Board Meeting, Commissioner Raggs called for the Board's pleasure with respect to approving the minutes. A motion to accept the Minutes of the Executive Session Items and the Regular Meeting Minutes of October 21, 2019 with any/all noted corrections; was given by Commissioner Morris. The motion for approval of the minutes was seconded by Commissioner Mabon and passed without dissent.

The vote: Four (4)-Ayes / Zero (0)-No

2. NEW BUSINESS

2a. A Motion to Approve GSD's Payroll Earnings for Period Ending: September 30, 2019 thru October 13, 2019, in the amount of \$245,795.17.

Overview: Director of Administration Vern White asked for the Board's approval of the GSD Payroll Earnings Report submitted as GSD Agenda Item 2a.



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Commissioner Raggs called for the Board's pleasure with respect to approving GSD Agenda Item 2a. Commissioner Mabon gave the motion to approve. The motion for approval of the GSD's Payroll Earnings (September 30, 2019 – October 13, 2019) was seconded by Commissioner Jackson and passed/approved.

The vote: Four (4)-Ayes / Zero (0)-No

3. CLAIMS

3a. GSD Claims Numbers: 4226 thru 4405, in the amount of \$659,356.04

Overview: Director of Administration Vern White recommended approval and ratification of the GSD Claims.

Commissioner Raggs called for the Board's pleasure with respect to approving GSD Agenda Item 3a. Commissioner Jackson gave the motion to approve. The motion for approval and ratification of GSD Claims Numbers 4226 thru 4405 was seconded by Commissioner Mabon and passed/approved.

The vote: Four (4)-Ayes / Zero (0)-No

4. INFORMATION UPDATES

4a. Plant Superintendent

Rhonda Anderson, Plant Superintendent, is absent from today's Board Meeting. A Plant report will be submitted during the next Board Meeting.

4b. Construction Activities

Eric Tonk provided the Board with updates on GSD Spring 2019 Construction Activities:

Overview:

- 29th Avenue & Gerry Street Draining Improvements Project:
 - o Project is complete. Awaiting Final Completion Documents from contractor. Once received, documents will be submitted to the Board for review/approval.
- Clark Road Improvements Project:
 - o A few punch-list items remaining. One item is for NIPSCO to lower its gas line valves.
- Ambridge Neighborhood Sewer Rehabilitation Project:
 - o Chemical Grouting to begin on November 4th. The sewer lining has been delayed (by IPR) due to the weather. IPS will begin lining the sewers next week. Asphaltting will be completed this week for the remaining open cut areas.
- Lake Street Road Construction Project:
 - o Base and intermediate layers of asphalt has been placed from 3rd Avenue to Old Miller Avenue. Flat work for the concrete sidewalks will be completed this week.
- WWTP Paving Project:
 - o Project is complete. Punch-list items have been addressed.
- Forest & Locust Avenues Storm Water Project:



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- Notice To Proceed has been issued to contractor. Tree removal has been completed.
- 20th Avenue Taft to Ellsworth Storm Water Project:
 - Notice to Proceed has been issued to contractor.

5. DISCUSSION

There were no discussion items.

6. REQUEST TO SPEAK

Ms. Trecia Webb addressed the Board by stating she seeks assistance as to how/why her sewer billing (for her rental property at 19th Avenue) has extremely high charges; coupled with inquiring the understanding as to how/why she, as the property owner, becomes responsible for unpaid sewer services when a tenant abruptly leaves the property without cause/notification.

Commissioner Raggs asked Ms. Webb to consult with Executive Director Vicari and Attorney Harris after today's GSD Board Meeting to further discuss on the matter.

7. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 11:30AM

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ADOPTED BY THE BOARD DURING THE MEETING ON:

11/18/2019

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Ola V. Morris, Secretary

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