

MEETING OF THE CITY OF EAST CHICAGO
DEPARTMENT OF WATERWORKS BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Monday, February 6, 2023 @ 5:00 pm
East Chicago Common Council Chambers

Roll Call:

John Bakota, President
Henry Ventura, Vice-President
Joseph Ochoa, Member
Anthony Askounis, Member
Ray Lopez, Member

Ateria Allen, Recording Secretary

Winna Guzman, Director of Water
Allan Lee, Distribution Supervisor
Obed Perez, Jr., Manager
Joseph Allegretti, Attorney
William Biller/ Rebecca Sliger, Financial Consultant

Public Hearing:

Declaratory Resolution

Approval of Minutes:

January 19, 2023

Approval of Warrants:

Payroll

012023 | \$12,184.73 | Utilities Payroll (12/31/22 – 01/13/23)

012023 | \$62,044.04 | Payroll (12/31/22 – 01/13/23)

020323 | \$12,011.65 | Utilities Payroll (01/14/23 – 01/27/23)

020323 | \$44,643.51 | Payroll (01/14/23 – 01/27/23)

Accounts Payable

123022 WB | \$170,725.53

012423 WB | \$180.10

012623 WB | \$29,209.12

020623 WB | \$412,020.09

Reports:

Filtration Report	Obed A. Perez, Jr., Manager
Water Report	Winna Guzman, Director
Distribution Report	Allan Lee, Supervisor

Legal Counsel	Joseph Allegretti
Financial Report	William Biller/Rebecca Sliger

New Business:

Resolutions

- WD 23-01- A Resolution of the Board of Directors Authorizing the Write-Off of Certain Delinquent Water Charges and Penalties (Water)
- WD 23-02 – Confirmatory Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Department of Waterworks of the City of East Chicago, Indiana Regarding the Rebuilding, Repairing, Extending, and Improving of the Waterworks System of the City (Water)
- WD 23-03 – A Resolution Authorizing the Acquisition Construction, Installation, and Equipping by the Department of

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Waterworks of the City of East Chicago, Indiana, of Certain Improvements and Extensions to the City's Waterworks, the issuance and Sale of Revenue Bonds to provide funds for the Payment of the Costs Thereof the issuance and sale of Bond Anticipation Notes in Anticipation of the Issuance and Sale of such Bonds and the Collection, Segregation, Distribution of the Revenues of such Waterworks and other Related Matters (Water)

Proposals

- M.E. Simpson – Proposal for fire Hydrant Maintenance – Not to Exceed \$26,400.00 for 2023 and \$27,000.00 for 2024 (Water)
- M.E. Simpson – Proposal for Large Meter Testing – Not to Exceed \$\$35,000.00 (Water)
- M.E. Simpson – Proposal for a Water Distribution System Leak Survey – Not to Exceed \$21,560.00 (Water)
- M.E. Simpson – Proposal for Water Audit and Validation Services- Not to Exceed 15,000.00 (Water)
- Calumet City Plumbing – Emergency Service Line Repair at 4009 Melville Avenue - \$7,425.00 (Water)
- Calumet City Plumbing Emergency Service Line Repair at 1117 E. 138th Street - \$8,275.00 (Water)
- Calumet City Plumbing – Emergency B-Box Repair at 601 W. Chicago Avenue - \$6,200.00 (Water)
- Calumet City Plumbing – Emergency Service Line Leak Repair at 410 Prospect Street - \$8,450.00 (Water)
- Calumet City Plumbing – Emergency Disconnect at 412 Prospect Street - \$6,700.00 (Water)
- Calumet City Plumbing - Emergency Disconnect at 4802 Alexander - \$7,150.00 (Water)
- Calumet City Plumbing – Emergency Leak Repair at 444 E. Chicago Avenue- \$5,250.00 (Water)
- Calumet City Plumbing – Emergency Meter Pit Repair at 4125 Olcott Avenue -\$4,875.00 (Water)
- Calumet City Plumbing – Emergency Meter Pit Repair at 4025 Drummond Street - \$5,225.00 (Water)
- Calumet City Plumbing _ Emergency Meter Pit Repair at 4026 Pulaski Street- \$4,625.00 (Water)
- Calumet City Plumbing – Emergency Service Repair and Meter Pit at 3902 Butternut - \$7,450.00 (Water)
- Calumet City Plumbing – Emergency Service Repair and Meter Pit at 4211 Baring Avenue - \$5,625.00 (Water)
- Calumet City Plumbing – Emergency Hydrant Repair at E Chicago Avenue Citgo Gate 17A- \$7,750.00 (Water)
- Calumet City Plumbing – Emergency Hydrant Leak Repair at 145th and Olcott Avenue -\$8,775.00 (Water)
- Calumet City Plumbing – Emergency Service Line Leak Repair at 4721 Kennedy Avenue -\$7,625.00 (Water)

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- Halo Brands – Educational Material – Not to Exceed \$55,345.00 (Water)
- GPRS – 2023 Proposal – Not to Exceed \$55,345.00 (Water)
- Griffin- Emergency Purchase of 3” Sub Pump - \$5,600.00 (Filtration)

Agreement

- Penney Advisory Services, LLC- for 2023 accounting and financial operations and generating and creating customer SQL reports. (Water)

Rate Sheets

- Alexander Chemical Corporation – 2023 Rates for Chemical Needs- Not to Exceed \$50,000.00 (Filtration)

Change Orders

- Calumet City Plumbing- Change Order No.1 for 144th and Magoun Avenue Project (Water)

Past Due Invoices

- Altorfer Cat Industries, Inc. (Filtration)
- Anderson Process (Filtration)
- Allan Lee (Water)
- AMI Investments (Water)
- Calumet City Plumbing (Water)
- Faegre Drinker Biddle Reath, LLC (Water)
- Smartbill (Water)

Adjustments

- 3926 Grand Blvd.
- 4857 Homerlee Avenue
- Arcellor Mittal, Schulman. HTI Logistics, Cline Avenue Bridge, Cleveland Cliffs, and Citgo Petro Corporation
- Bluff City Materials

Other

- Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission – Petition of the City of East Chicago, Indiana for Authority to Issue Bonds, Notes, or Other Obligations for Authority to Increase its Rates and Charges for Water Service, and for approval of New Schedules of Water Rates and Charges (Water)

Unfinished Business:

Public Comment:

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Next Meeting: Regular Meeting Monday, February 20, 2023 @ 5:00pm
Location East Chicago Council Chambers (City Hall)

Adjournment: