

CITY OF EAST CHICAGO
BOARD OF STORM WATER COMMISSIONERS

BOARD MEMBERS

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

Regular Meeting Minutes
Thursday, March 18, 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: Miquel
Rivera, Tia Cauley, Ben Moricz

Staff Present in Chambers: Anthony Herrera
Staff Present Telephonic Conference: Ken Myers,
Joseph Allegretti

MR. FLOWERS: Meeting of East Chicago,
Indiana, Board of Storm Water Commissioners. This is
March 18, 2021, City Hall Council Chambers.

The meeting is being conducted via
phone conference. We can also stipulate that the
members delegate the president the authority to execute
all warrants, documents, minutes, etcetera of the
Commission, eliminating the need to collect signatures
from the members participating electronically.

First item, motion to approve
minutes of meeting held, March 4, 2021, Need approval.

MR. RIVERA: Motion to approve minutes.

MS. CAULEY: Second.

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

1 Next we have Check Warrant.
WARRANT 031821 ST - \$242.38

2 MR. RIVERA: Motion to accept.

3 MR. MORICZ: Second.

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

6 PAYROLL WARRANT 030521 - Storm Water Payroll
 Dates of 2-13-21 to 2-26-21

7 MR. MORICZ: Make a motion.

8 MS. CAULEY: Second.

9 MR. FLOWERS: All in favor?
10 (All signify aye.)
 Motion carries.
11 Report from legal counsel, Joe

Allegretti.

12 MR. ALLEGRETTI: No report.

13 MR. FLOWERS: Report from financial
14 consultant, Bill Biller.

15 MR. HERRERA: Cash report in the next
16 packet for February and March.

 MR. FLOWERS: New Business: BFNS - Task
17 Change Order No. 3.

18 MR. MYERS: I'll speak to this. And in
19 your packet you should have Task Order No. 2. As the
20 Board members are aware, our Storm Water coordinator is
21 retiring. His last service day was last Friday and he's
22 using two weeks vacation, so we have an open position
23 there. But prior to his retirement we have been
24 reaching out, and Butler, Fairman & Seufert has the
25 personnel -- Reggie Korthals -- who has an MS-4
coordinator and everything else. She's been providing
assistance to the City of East Chicago in the Sanitary
District, so that we can meet our needs with MS-4
program.

 So here, Task Order No. 2 spells out
the requirements of what additional services she is
going to provide. It does have a fee not to exceed

1 \$30,000. And as far as attaching those activities, it
2 will be described accordingly. And she also has
3 attached the 2021 hourly rate sheet, which we have used
4 for our contracting services with Butler Fairman &
5 Seufert firm.

6 So, you can read through that. If
7 you have any questions on the specifics that she is
8 providing, you can ask. Some of the storm water
9 requirements are somewhat new to me, but we do have
10 various commitments that we have to do in our program as
11 far as annual reports, quarter reports, and Miss
12 Korthals will be taking care of that for us.

13 MR. ALLEGRETTI: Ken, didn't she used to
14 run the State program, as I recall.

15 MR. MYERS: That's what I have been told
16 as well.

17 MR. ALLEGRETTI: She is very qualified:

18 MR. FLOWERS: Any questions from the
19 members? (None) Mr. Myers, does the Board need to take
20 action on this?

21 MR. ALLEGRETTI: Ken, you are seeking
22 authorization --

23 MR. MYERS: We are seeking authorization
24 so that we can retain those services.

25 MR. RIVERA: I make a motion.

MS. CAULEY: Second.

MR. FLOWERS: All in favor?

(All signify aye.)

Motion carries.

Unfinished Business: None

Public Comments: None

MR. ALLEGRETTI: Everybody keep in mind
the passing of our Commissioner "Baby Lou" Loreto
Gonzalez. We have a high regard to him and everybody
has known him through the many years he's served this
community.

MR. FLOWERS: The services are this
Sunday from 2 to 6, at St. Pastrick Funeral Home.

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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, 2021.

Peggy S. LaLonde



Peggy S. LaLonde, CSR, RPR