

CITY OF EAST CHICAGO  
BOARD OF SANITARY COMMISSIONERS  
BOARD MEMBERS

Miguel (Mike) Rivera, President  
Alojzy (Ben) Moricz, Vice-President  
Tia Cauley, Member  
Loreto Gonzalez, Member  
Steven Flowers, Member

Regular Meeting Minutes  
Thursday, July 16, 2020, at 4:30 p.m.

Reported for Fissinger & Associates, Ltd

By: Peggy S. LaLonde, CSR, RPR

Call to Order: 4:30 p.m.

Roll Call: Present: Miguel Rivera

Telephonic: Tia Cauley  
Loreto Gonzalez  
Ben Moricz  
Steve Flowers

Also Present: Anthony Herrera, Secretary

Telephonic: Joseph Allegretti, Legal Counsel

Dr. Abdul Zehraoui, Director of Utilities

Keith Selvie, Director of Public Works

MR. RIVERA: I'll now call to order the meeting of the Board of Sanitary Commissioners. This is July 16, 2020. This meeting will be conducted via phone conference.

We can also stipulate that 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.

There are no minutes to approve.

We'll go down to the check warrants for the Sanitary District, Wastewater Division.

WARRANT 071620 SW - \$45,011.16.

Motion to approve Warrant 071620 SW, in the amount of \$45,011.16, made by Loreto Gonzalez. Second by Ben Moricz.

1 Questions/Comments: None

2 MR. RIVERA: All in favor say aye.  
(All signify aye.)

3 MR. RIVERA: Motion carries.  
4 WARRANT 071620 SR - \$9,635.08.

5 Motion to approve Warrant 071620, in the amount of  
\$49,635.00, made by Steven Flowers. Second by Mr.  
6 Gonzalez.

7 Questions/Comments: None

8 MR. RIVERA: All in favor say aye.  
(All signify aye.)

9 MR. RIVERA: Motion carries.  
10 WARRANT 071620 SC - \$5,685.00

11 Motion to approve Warrant 071620 SC, in the amount of  
\$5,685.00, made by Loreto Gonzalez. Second by Ben  
12 Moricz.

13 Questions/Comments: None

14 MR. RIVERA: All in favor say aye.  
(All signify aye.)

15 MR. RIVERA: Motion carries.  
16 WARRANT 070820 SW - \$486,294.84.

17 Motion to approve Warrant 070820 SW, in the amount of  
\$486,294.84, made by Loreto Gonzales. Second by Steve  
18 Flowers.

19 Questions/Comments: None

20 MR. RIVERA: All in favor say aye.  
(All signify aye.)

21 MR. RIVERA: Motion carries.  
22 WARRANT 071020 BI - \$473,256.26

23 Motion to approve Warrant 071020 BI, in the amount of  
\$473,256.26, made by Loreto Gonzalez. Second by Ben  
24 Moricz.

25 Questions/Comments: None

MR. RIVERA: All in favor say aye.  
(All signify aye.)

MR. RIVERA: Motion carries.

1 WARRANT 071020 - Sanitary Board Payroll  
2 Dates of 6/20/20 to 7/3/20

3 Motion to approve Warrant 071029, Sanitary Board Payroll  
4 for dates of 6/20/20 to 7/3/20, made by Steve Flowers.  
5 Second by Loreto Gonzalez.

6 Questions/Comments: None

7 MR. RIVERA: All in favor say aye.  
8 (All signify aye.)

9 MR. RIVERA: Motion carries.

10 WARRANT 071020 - Utilities Payroll  
11 Dates of 6/20/20 to 7/3/20

12 Motion to approve Warrant 071020, Utilities Payroll for  
13 dates of 6/20/20 to 7/3/20, made by Loreto Gonzalez.  
14 Second by Steve Flowers.

15 Questions/Comments: None

16 MR. RIVERA: All in favor say aye.  
17 (All signify aye.)

18 MR. RIVERA: Motion carries.

19 WARRANT 071020 - Wastewater Payroll  
20 Dates of 6/20/20 to 7/3/20

21 Motion to approve Warrant 071020, Wastewater Payroll for  
22 dates of 6/20/20 to 7/3/20, made by Loreto Gonzalez.  
23 Second by Ben Moricz.

24 Questions/Comments: None

25 MR. RIVERA: All in favor say aye.  
(All signify aye.)

MR. RIVERA: Motion carries.

Next we have warrants from Sanitary  
District, Solid Waste Division.

WARRANT 070920 SS - \$80,872.21

Motion to approve Warrant 070920, in the amount of  
\$80,872.21, made by Loreto Gonzalez. Second by Ben  
Moricz.

Questions/Comments: None

MR. RIVERA: All in favor say aye.  
(All signify aye.)

MR. RIVERA: Motion carries.

1 WARRANT 071020 SS - \$35,042.52.

2 Motion to approve Warrant 0710290, in the amount of  
3 \$35,042.52, made by Loreto Gonzalez. Second by Ben  
4 Moricz.

4 Questions/Comments: None

5 MR. RIVERA: All in favor say aye.  
(All signify aye.)

6 MR. RIVERA: Motion carries.

7 WARRANT 071020 - Solids Payroll

7 Dates of 6/20/20 to 7/3/20

8 Motion to approve Warrant 071020, Solids Payroll for  
9 dates of 6/20/20 to 7/3/20, made by Steve Flowers.  
Second by Ben Moricz.

10 Questions/Comments: None

11 MR. RIVERA: All in favor say aye.  
(All signify aye.)

12 MR. RIVERA: Motion carries.

13 Next item is report from Director of  
Utilities, Dr. Zehraoui.

14 DR. ZEHRAOUI: I don't have any report  
today.

15 MR. RIVERA: Thank you, sir.

16 Next item is report from Field  
Operations, John Martinez. Mr. Martinez is on vacation,  
17 so no report.

18 Next is Solid Waste, Keith Selvie.

19 MR. SELVIE: No report at this time.

20 MR. RIVERA: Thank you, sir.

21 The next item is report from  
Financial Consultant, Bill Biller. The cash report for  
22 June 2020 I have in front of me. It states, the  
receipts were \$537,000.00. Disbursements for June were  
\$2,396,589. And June's cash balance, with Operation  
23 Maintenance Fund, \$2,620,135.00, Replacement Fund is  
\$1,560,504.00. And that concludes his reported.

24 Next item is report from legal  
counsel, Joe Allegretti.

25 MR. ALLEGRETTI: No report.

1 MR. RIVERA: Thank you, sir.

2 Next item is New Business. We have  
3 a proposal from Morrison Construction Company. It's a  
4 purchase order for the amount of \$9,350.00.

5 DR. ZEHRAOUI: We needed to fix this. We  
6 have two invoices. One from Morrison and the other one  
7 for another company called Macon. The other one, they  
8 charge like 5,920 a day. Morrison is 4,675 per day. We  
9 should be good with Morrison.

10 MR. RIVERA: I see that. Is there a  
11 motion to accept the purchase order for Morrison  
12 Construction Company. Are there any questions on it?

13 MR. FLOWERS: Dr. Zehraoui, are you  
14 recommending Morrison?

15 DR. ZEHRAOUI: Yes, because they are the  
16 cheapest one. This is -- we work with them all the  
17 time.

18 MR. FLOWERS: You have previous  
19 experience with them, correct?

20 DR. ZEHRAOUI: Yes. The second was  
21 Macon. There's a 1300 savings. It's with the pump. We  
22 cannot move that pump up or down because the rail is  
23 deviated. You can see from the picture.

24 Motion to approve proposal from Morrison Construction,  
25 in the amount of \$9.350.00 made by Tia Cauley. Second  
by Steve Flowers.

Questions/Comments: None

MR. RIVERA: All in favor say aye.  
(All signify aye.)

MR. RIVERA: Motion carries.

The next is proposal from USA  
Bluebook in the amount of \$4,712.04.

DR. ZEHRAOUI: This is for the well that  
was surrounding the contamination basin. Last time we  
dig the well and right now we have to buy pumps. We  
have the motors and we need to buy pumps to be  
installed. This is crucial for eliminating all water  
that is surrounding basin, otherwise whenever we need  
any cleaning, we need to eliminate the water, to reduce

1 the water. So this crucial for our existence

2 Motion to approve proposal from USA Bluebook, in the  
3 amount of \$4,712.04, made by Tia Cauley. Second by  
4 Loreto Gonzalez.

4 Questions/Comments: None

5 MR. RIVERA: All in favor say aye.  
(All signify aye.)

6 MR. RIVERA: Motion carries.  
Next item unfinished business.

7 (None) Public Comment. (None)

8 Next meeting date is August 6, 2020,  
at 4:30 p.m., at the Council Chambers.

9 Need a motion for adjournment.

10 Motion to adjourn meeting made by Loreto Gonzalez.  
Second by Steve Flowers.

11 MR. RIVERA: All in favor say aye.  
(All signify aye.)

12 MR. RIVERA: Motion carries.  
Meeting adjourned.

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14 \*\*\*\*\* Meeting adjourned at 4:40 p.m. \*\*\*\*\*

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Approval of the Regular Meeting Minutes  
Thursday, July 16, 2020

Approved and signed \_\_\_\_\_



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Miguel Rivera, President



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Loreto Gonzalez, ~~Vice-president~~ Member



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Tia Cauley



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Alojzy (Ben) Moricz, Vice-president



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Steve Flowers



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Anthony Herrera, Secretary

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 20th day of July, 2020.

*Peggy S. LaLonde*



Peggy S. LaLonde, CSR, RPR