

Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago

*100 East Erie Street
Chicago, IL 60611*



Regular Board Meeting Minutes

Thursday, June 4, 2015

10:00 AM

Board Room

Board of Commissioners

Commissioner Michael A. Alvarez, Chairman of Finance Frank Avila, Commissioner Timothy Bradford, Vice President Barbara J. McGowan, Commissioner Cynthia M. Santos, Commissioner Debra Shore, Commissioner Kari K. Steele, President Mariyana T. Spyropoulos

THE FOLLOWING PROCEDURES WILL GOVERN THE MEETING PROCESS:

- 1. Board Members who vote "Nay, Present, or Abstain" or have a question on any item may request the item be removed from the Consent Agenda.***
- 2. Citizens in the audience who address the Board on any item may request the item be removed from the Consent Agenda.***
- 3. Items removed from the Consent Agenda are considered separately.***
- 4. One roll call vote is taken to cover all Consent Agenda Items.***

Call Meeting to Order

President Mariyana T. Spyropoulos presiding, called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

Roll Call

Present: 8 - Michael A. Alvarez; Frank Avila; Timothy Bradford; Barbara J. McGowan; Cynthia M. Santos; Debra Shore; Kari K. Steele; and Mariyana T. Spyropoulos

Approval of Previous Board Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Frank Avila, seconded by Debra Shore, that this be Approval of the Minutes. The motion carried by acclamation. Chorus of ayes - No nays

Recess and Convene as Committee of the Whole

A motion was made by Frank Avila, seconded by Kari K. Steele, to recess and convene as a committee of the whole. The motion carried by acclamation. Chorus of Ayes - No Nays

Recess and Reconvene as Board of Commissioners

At 11:20 a.m. President Mariyana T. Spyropoulos reconvened the regular board meeting to order

Finance Committee**Report**

- 1 [15-0560](#) Report on the 2014 Comprehensive Annual Financial Reports of the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago and of the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District Retiree Health Care Trust

Published and Filed
- 2 [15-0591](#) Report on payment of principal and interest for outstanding District bonds due on June 1, 2015

Attachments: [DS 2015-06 att.pdf](#)

Published and Filed
- 3 [15-0598](#) Report on Cash Disbursements for the Month of April 2015, in the amount of \$36,512,852.62

Attachments: [April 2015 Cash Disbursements Summary](#)

Published and Filed

Procurement Committee

Report

- 4 [15-0570](#) Report of bid opening of Tuesday, May 19, 2015

Published and Filed

- 5 [15-0587](#) Report of bid opening of Tuesday, May 26, 2015

Published and Filed

Authorization

- 6 [15-0569](#) Authorization to accept amended annual rental bid for Contract 14-366-11 Amendment to Bid for Proposal to Lease for 39-years on approximately 11.66 acres of District real estate located at 3301 S. California Avenue in Chicago, Illinois; Main Channel Parcel 42.03 from Gardner-Gibson, Incorporated in the amount of \$841,000.00 (*Deferred from the May 21, 2015 Board Meeting*)

Attachments: [Map.Parcel 42.03 GG.pdf](#)

Approved

- 7 [15-0571](#) Authorization to amend Board Order of May 7, 2015, regarding authority to advertise Contract 15-340-11, Services to Furnish, Deliver and Install Exterior Electronic Signs at Various District Locations for a Two Year Period, estimated cost \$118,000.00, Account 201-50000-634990, Requisition 1388441, Agenda No. 8, File No. 15-0454A

Approved

- 8 [15-0582](#) Authorization to amend Board Order of May 21, 2015, regarding Issue purchase order for Contract 15-604-11, Furnishing and Delivering Plumbing Supplies, in an amount not to exceed \$132,170.00, Accounts 101-67000, 68000, 69000-623090, Requisitions 1386157, 1385820, 1384955, 1385014, 1386812 and 1386801, Agenda Item No. 28, File No. 15-0542

Approved

- 9 [15-0596](#) Authorization to amend Board Order of May 21, 2015, regarding Issue purchase orders and enter into an agreement with Dresser, Inc., to Provide Technical Field Services for Blowers at the Calumet and Egan Water Reclamations Plants, in an amount not to exceed \$25,000.00, Accounts 101-67000- 68000-612650, Requisitions 1393038 and 1364669, Agenda Item No. 27, File No. 15-0539

Approved

Authority to Advertise

- 10 [15-0579](#) Authority to advertise Contract 15-605-21 Furnish and Deliver Two Windrow Turners and One Screener to LASMA and CALSMA, estimated cost \$1,500,000.00, Account 201-50000-634650, Requisition 1398950

Approved

Issue Purchase Order

- 11 [15-0525](#) Issue purchase order to SAS Institute Inc. to Furnish and Deliver Renewal of Existing SAS Software and SAS Software Extensions Licenses, in an amount not to exceed \$31,110.00, Account 101-27000-612820, Requisition 1398275

Approved

- 12 [15-0576](#) Issue purchase orders and enter into agreements for Contract 15-RFP-11 Legal Services for Workers' Compensation Defense for the period June 1, 2015 through May 31, 2017 with Dennis Noble & Associates, P.C. in an amount not to exceed \$170,000.00, Neuson Law, P.C. in an amount not to exceed \$80,000.00, and Heyl, Royster, Voelker & Allen, P.C. in an amount not to exceed \$50,000.00. Account 101-25000-601170. Requisitions 1394106, 1394107, and 1394108 (*Deferred from the May 21, 2015 Board Meeting*)

Barbara J. McGowan lifted her earlier deferral

Approved

- 13 [15-0577](#) Issue purchase order and enter into an agreement with DLT Solutions, LLC for furnishing and delivering AutoDesk Constructware Software License Renewal and Consulting Services, in an amount not to exceed \$185,488.92, Account 101-27000-612820, Requisition 1397613

Approved

- 14 [15-0584](#) Issue purchase orders to Drydon Equipment, Inc., to Furnish and Deliver Hayward Gordon, Varec, Watson Marlow, Fairbanks Morse, and Pentair Pumps and Parts, to Various Locations, in a total amount not to exceed \$239,900.00, Accounts 101-67000, 68000, 69000-623090, 623270

Approved

- 15 [15-0586](#) Issue purchase order for Contract 15-100-11, Furnish and Deliver Automatic Samplers, to Gasvoda & Associates, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$45,195.00, Account 101-16000-623570, Requisition 1387993 (*As Revised*)

Approved

Award Contract

- 16 [15-0590](#) Authority to award Contract 15-006-11 Furnish and Deliver Janitorial Supplies to Various Locations for a One (1) Year Period, to Cicero Manufacturing & Supply Company, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$58,958.19, Accounts 101-20000-623110, 623170, 623660

Attachments: [ITEM DESCRIPTIONS.pdf](#)

Approved

- 17 [15-0597](#) Authority to award Contract 15-053-11 Furnish and Deliver Lamps to Various Locations for a One (1) Year Period, to Graybar Electric Company, in an amount not to exceed \$111,141.84, Account 101-20000-623070

Attachments: [15-053-11a.pdf](#)

Approved

Increase Purchase Order/Change Order

- 18 [15-0572](#) Authority to increase Contract 04-202-4F Connecting Tunnels & Gates, Thornton Composite Reservoir, Calumet Service Area, to Walsh/II in One Joint Venture in an amount of \$500,000.00, from an amount of \$136,077,670.92, to an amount not to exceed \$136,577,670.92, Account 401-50000-645600, Purchase Order 5001136

Attachments: [CO Log 04-202-4F.pdf](#)

Approved

- 19 [15-0573](#) Authority to increase Contract 04-203-4F Final Reservoir Preparation, Thornton Composite Reservoir, Calumet Service Area, to Walsh/II in One, Joint Venture in an amount of \$11,121.24, from an amount of \$50,930,121.31, to an amount not to exceed \$50,941,242.55, Account 401-50000-645600, Purchase Order 5001224

Attachments: [Change Order Log 04-203-4F.pdf](#)

Approved

- 20 [15-0574](#) Authority to decrease Contract 06-212-3M Calumet TARP Pumping Station Improvements, Calumet Water Reclamation Plant, to Sollitt/Sachi/Alworth JV in an amount of \$17,000.00, from an amount of \$35,121,983.00, to an amount not to exceed \$35,104,983.00, Account 401-50000-645600, Purchase Order 5001404

Attachments: [CO 06-212-3M, BM 6-4-15.pdf](#)

Approved

- 21 [15-0578](#) Authority to increase purchase order for Contract 14-102-12 Furnish and Deliver Maintenance, Inspection and Repair of Lysimeters and Monitoring Wells, to Patrick Engineering, Inc. in an amount of \$12,000.00, from an amount of \$51,029.21, to an amount not to exceed \$63,029.21, Account 101-16000-612490, Purchase Order 3080361

Attachments: [CO Log Contract 14-102-12 PO Increase.pdf](#)

Approved

Budget & Employment Committee

Authorization

- 22 [15-0583](#) Authority to transfer 2015 departmental appropriations in the amount of \$1,134,000 in the Corporate Fund and Construction Fund

Attachments: [06.04.15 Board Transfer BF5 15-0583.pdf](#)

Approved

Monitoring & Research Committee

Report

- 23 [15-0567](#) Report on acceptance of yardwaste from Republic Services, Inc., for a pilot-scale evaluation to produce a value-added product by co-composting biosolids, woodchips, and yardwaste

Published and Filed

Pension, Human Resources & Civil Service Committee

Authorization

- 24 [15-0588](#) Authority to Amend Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago Deferred Compensation Plan and Trust, effective June 4, 2015

Attachments: [457 Plan Doc - Laner Revisions Final \(2015\) Clean Copy.pdf](#)

Approved

- 25 [15-0589](#) Authority to Amend the Investment Policy for the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago Deferred Compensation Plan and Trust, effective June 4, 2015

Attachments: [JEFa-Board Letter - Appendix A \(Investment Policy - 2015\).pdf](#)
[JEFa-Investment Policy - Amended 6-4-15 \(Final\) Clean Copy.pdf](#)

Approved

Real Estate Development Committee

Authorization

- 26 [15-0592](#) Authority to issue a six (6) month permit extension to the Village of Willow Springs for continued use of a Metra commuter parking lot on approximately 2.13 acres of District real estate located west of Willow Springs Road and south of the Main Channel in Willow Springs, Illinois; Main Channel Parcel 29.04. Consideration shall be \$6,000.00

Attachments: [Map.Aerial 29.04.pdf](#)

Approved

- 27 [15-0593](#) Authority to grant a 25-year, non-exclusive easement to Commonwealth Edison Company on approximately 10.39 acres of District real estate located west of Pulaski Road and north of the Main Channel in Chicago, Illinois, and known as parts of Main Channel Parcels 40.02, 40.04 and 40.07, to continue to operate, maintain and remove electrical transmission lines. Consideration shall be an initial annual fee of \$307,500.00

Attachments: [Map.Aerial Parcels 40.02, 40.04, 40.07.pdf](#)

Approved

- 28 [15-0594](#) Authority to issue a 13-month permit to the Forest Preserve District of Cook County to access Dead Stick Pond located east of Stony Island Avenue, south of 122nd Street, and north of the Calumet River in Chicago, Illinois to conduct bird surveys in June, 2015, and from May 1, 2016, through June 15, 2016. Consideration shall be a nominal fee of \$10.00

Attachments: [Map.Aerial Dead Stick Pond.pdf](#)

Approved

- 29 [15-0595](#) Authority to enter into a 39-year lease with the Village of Wheeling on an approximately two acre segment of the William Rodgers Memorial Diversionary Channel located southwest of the intersection of Milwaukee Avenue and Lake Cook Road in Wheeling, Illinois. Consideration shall be a nominal fee of \$10.00

Attachments: [Map.Aerial Village of Wheeling.pdf](#)

Approved

Miscellaneous and New Business

Ordinance

- 30 [O15-002](#) Authority to Adopt Ordinance O15-002, Affirmative Action Ordinance, Revised Appendix D, of the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago (As Revised)

Attachments: [O15-002 MWRD Disparity Study Final](#)

[AFF ACT ORD 2015 TL FINAL 050815 6.4.15.pdf](#)

[AFF ACT ORD APP D REVISED DIVERSITY FINAL VER 052115
Rev 6 1 15](#)

A motion was made by Barbara J. McGowan, seconded by Frank Avila, that this Ordinance be Adopted. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Aye: 7 - Michael A. Alvarez, Frank Avila, Barbara J. McGowan, Cynthia M. Santos, Debra Shore, Kari K. Steele, Mariyana T. Spyropoulos

Absent: 1 - Timothy Bradford

Ordinance - Prevailing Wage Rate

- 31 [PWR15-001](#) Adoption of Prevailing Wage Act Ordinance (As Revised)

Attachments: [PWR 15-001 Board Letter.pdf](#)

[ORDINANCE PWR 15-001.pdf](#)

[June 2015 Prevailing Wage Rates for Cook County and Fulton
County](#)

A motion was made by Frank Avila, seconded by Cynthia M. Santos, that this Prevailing Wage Rate Ordinance be Adopted. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Aye: 7 - Michael A. Alvarez, Frank Avila, Barbara J. McGowan, Cynthia M. Santos, Debra Shore, Kari K. Steele, Mariyana T. Spyropoulos

Absent: 1 - Timothy Bradford

Additional Agenda Items

- 32 [15-0602](#) Authorization to amend the Intergovernmental Agreement with the Village of Wheeling and the Wheeling Park District for the construction of stormwater storage facilities and improvements to Heritage Park

Approved

Approval of the Consent Agenda with the exception of Items: 30 and 31

A motion was made by Frank Avila, seconded by Timothy Bradford, to Approve the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Aye: 8 - Michael A. Alvarez, Frank Avila, Timothy Bradford, Barbara J. McGowan, Cynthia M. Santos, Debra Shore, Kari K. Steele, Mariyana T. Spyropoulos

Meeting Summary

Speakers

Jodi Dobson, Partner with Baker Tilly, addressed the Board regarding the 2014 Comprehensive Annual Financial Reports of the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago and the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District Retiree Health Care Trust (Re: Finance Item #1)

George Blakemore, concerned citizen, voiced concerns (Re: Finance Item #1, Procurement Item #12, and Real Estate Item #26)

Summary of Requests

David St. Pierre

1. Debra Shore requested a report on the savings and efficiencies of the new Time and Attendance system (Re: Finance Item #1)

2. Cynthia Santos requested more inclusion of firms to be selected. Kari K. Steel requested the Board receive a report on the contract period and options to renew (Re: Procurement Item #12)

Study Session

A Study Session to discuss the Strategic Business Plan will be held on Thursday, June 18, 2015 at 2:30 p.m.

Announcements

None

Board Letter Submission Dates

The next regular board meeting is scheduled for June 18, 2015, please prepare and submit Board items before the following absolute cutoff dates.

Date agenda items are due to the Director of Procurement and Materials Management for signature and preparation: June 5, 2015.

Date all agenda items are due to the Executive Director: 1:00 p.m., June 10, 2015.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Timothy Bradford, seconded by Barbara J. McGowan, that when the Board Adjourns, it adjourns to meet again on Thursday, June 18, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. and also move that today's meeting be Adjourned. The motion carried by the following roll call vote: /s/ Jacqueline Torres, Clerk

Aye: 8 - Michael A. Alvarez, Frank Avila, Timothy Bradford, Barbara J. McGowan, Cynthia M. Santos, Debra Shore, Kari K. Steele, Mariyana T. Spyropoulos

APPROVAL:

In accordance with the provisions of 70ILCS 2605/4, each of the foregoing agenda items duly adopted by the Board of Commissioners of the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago this June 4, 2015, are hereby approved.

APPROVED:

/s/ Mariyana T. Spyropoulos
President Board of Commissioners of the
Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago

June 4, 2015