



Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago

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COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

Mr. Brian A. Perkovich, Executive Director

Authority to settle the Workers' Compensation Claim of Keith Taylor vs. MWRDGC, Claim number 14 WC 2841, Illinois Workers' Compensation Commission (IWCC), in the sum of \$25,000.00, Account 901-30000-601090

Dear Sir:

Keith Taylor is a Police Officer at the Stickney Water Reclamation Plant. On March 9, 2013, he sustained injuries to his right hand after closing the entry gate, when he unlocked one of the locks the chain subsequently fell to the ground. When he attempted to catch the chain it struck his right hand. Officer Taylor did not initially seek medical treatment and just treated with over the counter medication. He was initially seen in the industrial clinic on July 1, 2013. He was prescribed medication and a splint for his right hand. He was disabled initially on August 9, 2013 before returning to work on August 12, 2013. He continued to have difficulties with his right hand and was disabled again effective January 28, 2014. On March 6, 2014 he underwent a procedure on his right hand. He returned to work on July 18, 2014.

Officer Taylor was disabled again on September 1, 2014 through September 28, 2014. He returned to work on September 29, 2014.

The employee received Police Duty Disability benefits representing a total of 24.80 weeks. He also received 4 weeks of paid duty disability benefits totaling \$2,850.20.

Officer Taylor filed an Application of Adjustment of Claim with the Illinois Workers' Compensation Commission (IWCC) through his counsel. Subject to the approval of the IWCC, this case can now be settled for a total of \$25,000.00, representing approximately 18.465% loss of use of the right hand. This settlement will close out future lost time and medical benefits associated with this injury.

The Director of Human Resources believes this settlement is in the best interest of the District and requests payment of that sum be approved and she be authorized to execute such documents as may be necessary to effect the settlement.

Requested, Beverly K. Sanders, Director of Human Resources, BKS:RAJ:RG
Disposition of this agenda item will be documented in the official Regular Board Meeting Minutes of the Board of Commissioners for August 8, 2019