



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 Andrew Swider vs. MWRDGC, Claim number 16 WC 03363, Illinois Workers' Compensation Commission (IWCC), in the sum of \$37,761.00, Account 901-30000-601090

Dear Sir:

Andrew Swider was a Storekeeper at the Stickney Water Reclamation Plant. He retired from the District on April 30, 2016. On December 30, 2015, the employee reported that he slipped and fell on ice at the Stickney location striking his head and straining his neck. He initially sought treatment at the industrial clinic on December 30, 2015 and was prescribed medication and advised to apply ice. He went to the VA hospital on December 31, 2015 and was diagnosed with subacute bilateral subdural hematomas. He also underwent CT scans and was prescribed seizure medications. The VA initially disabled Mr. Swider on December 31, 2015 and returned him to work on January 5, 2016. He was disabled again on January 11, 2016 and returned to work on January 12, 2016. He continued to experience problems and was disabled again February 17, 2016 and returned to work on February 22, 2016. Mr. Swider once again was disabled on February 25, 2016 and he returned to work on February 29, 2016. He was disabled one last time effective April 8, 2016 and returned to work on April 11, 2016.

Mr. Swider was paid a total of 1.20 weeks in lost time benefits totaling \$1,193.58.

Mr. Swider 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 \$37,761.00, representing approximately 10% loss of use of the person as a whole. This settlement will close out future lost time 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 February 20, 2020