



# Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago Meeting Minutes Committee of the Whole

100 East Erie Street  
Chicago, IL 60611

*Commissioner Frank Avila, Commissioner Patricia Horton, Chairman of Finance Gloria Alitto Majewski, Commissioner Barbara J. McGowan, Vice-President Kathleen Therese Meany, Commissioner Cynthia M. Santos, Commissioner Debra Shore, President Terrence J. O'Brien*

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Thursday, May 15, 2008

10:20 AM

Board Room

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## Call to Order

President O'Brien presiding, called the meeting to order at 10:20 a.m.

## Roll Call

**Present:** 9 - Terrence J. O'Brien; Kathleen Therese Meany; Gloria Alitto Majewski; Frank Avila; Patricia Horton; Barbara J. McGowan; Cynthia M. Santos; Debra Shore; and Patricia Young

## Finance Committee

### Report

- 1     [08-0830](#)     Report on investments purchased during April 2008  
  
         **Recommended**
- 2     [08-0831](#)     Report on the Investment Interest Income during April 2008  
  
         **Recommended**
- 3     [08-0983](#)     Report on the 2007 Comprehensive Annual Financial Reports of the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago and of the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District Retiree Health Care Trust  
  
         **Recommended**

### Authorization

- 67    [08-1020](#)     Authority to Transfer 2008 departmental appropriations in the amount of \$532,400 in the Corporate and Stormwater Management Funds.  
  
         **Recommended**

### Approval of the Consent Agenda for this section:

A motion was made by Gloria Alitto Majewski, seconded by Cynthia M. Santos, to accept the consent agenda. The motion carried by acclamation. Chorus of ayes - No nays

## Purchasing Committee

### Report

- 4      [08-0838](#)      Report on rejection of bids for Contract 08-988-11 for Services to Maintain Crossing Signal Systems at the HASMA and Ridgeland Railroad Crossings  
Estimated Cost: \$45,000.00 (As Revised)  
**Recommended**
- 5      [08-0843](#)      Report on rejection of bids for Contract 08-961-11 for Roof Replacement at the Mainstream Pumping Station, Estimated Cost: \$673,000.00 (As Revised)  
**Recommended**
- 6      [08-0851](#)      Report on rejection of bids for Contract 08-999-11 Furnish and Deliver a Wheelloader to the LASMA Drying Facility, Estimated Cost: \$420,000.00 (As Revised)  
**Recommended**
- 7      [08-0860](#)      Report of Bid Opening for April 22, 2008  
**Recommended**
- 8      [08-0861](#)      Report of Bid Opening for April 29, 2008  
**Recommended**
- 9      [08-0863](#)      Report of Bid Opening for May 6, 2008  
**Recommended**
- 10     [08-0970](#)      Report on the correction of a typographical error in the board transmittal letter for Authority to Advertise Contract 08-404-11 Annual Maintenance, Repairing, Recharging and Hydrostatic Pressure Testing of Portable Fire Extinguishers for the period of April 1, 2008, through March 31, 2011, estimated cost \$99,000.00 Account 101-15000-612780 (As Revised)  
**Recommended**
- 11     [08-0984](#)      Report on rejection of bids for Contract 08-685-11 Furnish and Deliver Rain Barrels to Various Locations, estimated cost \$280,000.00 (As Revised)  
**Recommended**
- 12     [08-0985](#)      Report on rejection of bids for Contract 08-789-11 Furnish and Deliver Three Electric Motors to the North Side Water Reclamation Plant, estimated cost \$45,000.00 (As Revised)  
**Recommended**

- 13      [08-0992](#)      Report on rejection of bids for Contract 08-443-11 Furnish and Deliver Panasonic ToughBook 30 Laptop Computers, estimated cost \$28,000.00 (As Revised)

**Recommended**

**Authorization**

- 14      [08-0846](#)      Authorization to rescind Contract 08-642-11 Furnish and Deliver Boiler and Process Water Chemicals and Consulting Services to the North Side Service Area, to Girard Chemical Company, in an amount not to exceed \$75,000.00, Account 101-67000-623560, Requisition 1226801

**Recommended**

- 15      [08-1001](#)      Authorization to amend Board Order of May 1, 2008, award of Contract 08-692-11, Utilization and Transportation of Air Dried Biosolids from LASMA and the Calumet Service Area, under Option C, Group B, revised Account 101-66000-612520 (Req. 1226833)

**Recommended**

**Authority to Advertise**

- 16      [08-0855](#)      Authority to advertise Contract 08-015-11 Furnish and Deliver Office Supplies Manufactured From Recycled Materials to Various Locations For a One (1) Year Period, estimated cost \$50,000.00, Account 101-20000-623520

**Recommended**

- 17      [08-0858](#)      Authority to advertise Contract 08-040-11 Furnish and Deliver Computer Supplies to Various Locations for a One (1) Year Period, estimated cost \$52,000.00, Account 101-20000-623810

**Recommended**

- 18      [08-0999](#)      Authority to advertise Contract 08-400-11 Furnish and Deliver Police Uniforms for a Thirty-Six Month Period, estimated cost \$90,000.00, Account 101-15000-623700, Requisition 1241137

**Recommended**

- 19      [08-1013](#)      Authority to advertise Contract 08-430-11 Furnish and Deliver Thirty-Eight (38) Fleet Vehicles for Use by Various District Facilities, estimated cost \$800,000.00, Account 101-15000-634860, Requisition 1242891

**Recommended**

**Issue Purchase Order**

- 20      [08-0706](#)      Issue a purchase order to the University of Illinois at Chicago, under the University of Illinois Master Agreement, to conduct a Chicago Area Waterways Recreation Study, in an amount not to exceed \$139,545.00, Account 101-16000-601170, Requisition 1241123  
  
                 **Recommended**
- 21      [08-0829](#)      Issue purchase order and enter into an agreement with PerkinElmer, Inc. for repair and preventive maintenance for Inductively Coupled Plasma instruments and peripheral accessories at the Egan, Calumet and Stickney WRP Laboratories, in an amount not to exceed \$111,064.32, Account 101-16000-612970, Requisition 1240576  
  
                 **Recommended**
- 22      [08-0839](#)      Issue purchase order for Contract 08-672-11 Furnishing, Delivering, and Installing Tires in the Stickney Service Area, to Commercial Tire Service, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$72,206.00, Account 101-69000-623250, Requisition 1234718  
  
                 **Recommended**
- 23      [08-0840](#)      Issue purchase order for Contract 07-703-13 (Re-Bid) Services to Furnish and Deliver Variable Frequency Drives to the North Side Water Reclamation Plant, to J. P. Simmons & Company, in an amount not to exceed \$169,911.36, Account 101-67000-623070, Requisition 1203000  
  
                 **Recommended**
- 24      [08-0848](#)      Issue purchase order for Contract 08-435-11 Maintaining Automatic External Defibrillators (AED's), Complete with Accessories, District-Wide, for a Three (3) Year Period, to Edwards Medical Supply, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$51,450.00, Account 101-15000-612780, Requisition 1226051  
  
                 **Recommended**
- 25      [08-0856](#)      Issue purchase order and enter into an agreement with DJ Wheeler Hydro Electric Services, Inc. to provide maintenance and technical support services for digital governors at the Lockport Powerhouse, in an amount not to exceed \$29,700.00, Account 101-66000-612620, Requisition 1241126  
  
                 **Recommended**
- 26      [08-0857](#)      Issue purchase order and enter into an agreement with Siemens Water Technologies Corporation, to Furnish and Deliver Bioxide to the Kirie Water Reclamation Plant, in an amount not to exceed \$70,000.00, Account 101-67000-623560, Requisition 1233577  
  
                 **Recommended**

- 27      [08-0956](#)      Issue purchase order and enter into an agreement with Mr. Irwin Polls, in an amount not to exceed \$35,475.00, Account 101-16000-601170, Requisition 1242842  
  
                 **Recommended**
- 28      [08-0958](#)      Issue purchase order and enter into an agreement with Mr. James Witvoet, Jr. and Ms. Anna Marie Miedema to furnish and deliver farmland services in connection with the Research and Development Department's farmland application of Class B biosolids, in an amount not to exceed \$24,500.00, Account 101-16000-612490, Requisition 1239584  
  
                 **Recommended**
- 29      [08-0968](#)      Issue purchase order and enter into an agreement with Johnston Green LLC and Iain Johnston, for legal services in connection with acquiring rights-of-way for the 39TH Street Conduit Rehabilitation Project Phase I Bypass, contract 01-103-2S, in an amount not to exceed \$80,000.00, Account 401-50000-601170, Requisition 1241680  
  
                 **Recommended**
- 30      [08-0973](#)      Issue purchase order and enter into an agreement with Loeb & Loeb LLP to pay attorneys' fees incurred by Susan T. Morakalis in Tri-River Docks v. Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago, Case No. 05 L 007390, in an amount not exceed \$100,000.00, Account 101-30000-601170, Requisition 1242835  
  
                 **Recommended**
- 31      [08-0976](#)      Issue purchase order and enter into an agreement with Mr. Donald Nugent, to furnish and deliver farmland services in connection with the Research and Development Department's farmland application of Class B biosolids, in an amount not to exceed \$24,500.00, Account 101-16000-612490, Requisition 1239586  
  
                 **Recommended**
- 32      [08-0978](#)      Issue purchase orders to Flow-Technics, Inc., to Furnish and Deliver Allis Chalmers (A-C), Netzsch and Gould Pump Parts to various locations, in an amount not to exceed \$1,000,540.00, Accounts 101-67000, 68000, 69000-623090, 623270, Requisitions 1228522, 1225636, 1227916, 1230824 and 1224479  
  
                 **Recommended**
- 33      [08-0986](#)      Issue purchase order for Contract 08-850-2P Furnish and Deliver Temporary Technical Personnel Services to the Engineering Department at the Annex Office Building Complex Location, for Groups B and C, to JN Engineering Co., a Division of JN Construction and Engineering Co., Inc., in an amount not to \$226,800.00, Account 201-50000-612490, Requisition 1223267  
  
                 **Recommended**

**Award Contract**

- 34      [08-0841](#)      Authority to award Contract 08-695-11 for Repairs to Process Motors in the Calumet and North Side Service Areas, to Omni-Pump Repairs, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$50,000.00, Account 101-67000, 68000-612650 Requisition 1229417 and 1230342  
  
                 **Recommended**
- 35      [08-0842](#)      Authority to award Contract 08-868-11 Fence Painting Services in the Calumet Service Area, to Bill's Painting Co., in an amount not to exceed \$50,000.00, Account 101-68000-612420, Requisition 1231286  
  
                 **Recommended**
- 36      [08-0849](#)      Authority to award Contract 08-933-11 Maintenance Services for Cathodic Protection Systems in the Stickney Service Area, to Corrpro Companies, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$180,705.00, Account 101-69000-612600, Requisition 1226842  
  
                 **Recommended**
- 37      [08-0859](#)      Authority to award Contract 08-625-13 for Diving Services at Various Locations, to Lindahl Marine Contractors Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$90,000.00, Account 101-66000-612490 Requisition 1226020  
  
                 **Recommended**
- 38      [08-0990](#)      Authority to award Contract 08-680-11 Roof Repair Services at Various Service Areas, to G. E. Riddiford Company, in an amount not to exceed \$56,000.00, Account 101-67000, 69000-612680 Requisitions 1230343, 1228482, and 1231293  
  
                 **Recommended**
- 39      [08-0991](#)      Authority to award Contract 08-033-11 Furnish and Deliver Miscellaneous Filters to Various Locations, Groups A and B to Applied Industrial Technologies, Inc., in a total amount not to exceed \$47,382.57, and Groups C and D to Brucker Company, in a total amount not to exceed \$14,290.30, for a total award not to exceed \$61,672.87, Account 101-20000-623070  
  
                 **Recommended**
- 40      [08-0995](#)      Authority to award Contract 08-017-11 Furnish and Deliver Wire, Cable and Electrical Supplies to Various Locations, Groups A and C to J.P. Simons and Company, in a total amount not to exceed \$76,805.18, and Group B to Helsel-Jepperson Electrical, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$99,487.50, for a total award not to exceed \$176,292.68, Account 101-20000-623070  
  
                 **Recommended**

**Increase Purchase Order/Change Order**

- 41      [08-0977](#)      Authority to increase purchase order and amend the agreement with Geosyntec Consultants for Contract 04-RFP-15, Risk Assessment of Human Health Impacts of Disinfection vs. No Disinfection of the Chicago Area Waterways, in an amount of \$95,987.00, from an amount of \$887,424.00, to an amount not to exceed \$983,411.00, Account 401-50000-601170, Purchase Order 3033062  
  
                 **Recommended**
- 42      [08-0988](#)      Authority to increase purchase order and amend the agreement with GeoAnalytics, Inc., in an amount of \$279,990.00, from an amount of \$933,443.05 to an amount not to exceed \$1,213,433.05, Account 501-50000-601170, Purchase Order 3045213 (As Revised)  
  
                 **Recommended**
- 43      [08-0997](#)      Authority to decrease purchase order and amend agreement with Consoer Townsend Envirodyne Engineers, Inc., for Contract 86-130-2P, Engineering Services in an amount of \$23,511.01, from an amount of \$2,870,299.86, to an amount not to exceed \$2,846,788.85, Accounts 201-50000-601420 and 401-50000-601420, Purchase Order A88247  
  
                 **Recommended**
- 44      [08-1002](#)      Authority to decrease purchase order and amend agreement with Cityfront Center East Maintenance Association, for providing maintenance and security services and general liability insurance coverage for the Nicholas J. Melas Centennial Fountain and Park in an amount of \$188,500.00, from an amount of \$248,500.00, to an amount not to exceed \$60,000.00, Account 101-66000-612490, Requisition 1208103 (As Revised)  
  
                 **Recommended**
- 45      [08-1003](#)      Authority to decrease purchase order and amend agreement with LAI, Ltd., for furnishing and delivering replacement parts for DeZurick valves, MSA gas detection equipment, Rotork actuator parts, Gardner Denver centrifugal compressor parts, Oceco flame sensor parts and MSA gas detection equipment repairs at various locations in an amount of \$18,586.00, from an amount of \$307,461.80, to an amount not to exceed \$288,875.80, Accounts 101-67000, 68000, 69000-623070, 623090, 623270, 623780, 634650, Purchase Orders 3044808, 3044807 and 3044812  
  
                 **Recommended**
- 46      [08-1014](#)      Authority to decrease purchase order for Contract 05-400-11 Furnish and Deliver Police Uniforms for a Three-Year Period, to Ray O'Herron Co. of Oakbrook Terrace, Inc., in an amount of \$2,000.00, from an amount of \$66,619.52, to an amount not to exceed \$64,619.52, Purchase Order 3035079  
  
                 **Recommended**

**Approval of the Consent Agenda for this section:**

A motion was made by Barbara J. McGowan, seconded by Patricia Horton, to accept the consent agenda. The motion carried by acclamation. Chorus of ayes - No nays

**Budget & Employment Committee****Report**

- 47     [08-0837](#)     Report on Budgetary Revenues and Expenditures Through First Quarter, March 31, 2008
- A motion was made by Cynthia M. Santos, seconded by Gloria Alitto Majewski, that this Report be Recommended. The motion carried by acclamation. Chorus of ayes - No nays

**Engineering Committee****Report**

- 48     [08-0987](#)     Report on Calumet Treatment Wetlands Concept Development
- Deleted by the General Superintendent
- 49     [08-0996](#)     Report on change orders authorized and approved by the Chief Engineer during the month of March 2008
- A motion was made by Frank Avila, seconded by Kathleen Therese Meany, that this Report be Recommended. The motion carried by acclamation. Chorus of ayes - No nays

**Judiciary Committee****Report**

- 50     [08-0828](#)     The Attorney reports on the Settlement of Workers' Compensation Claims
- Recommended

**Authorization**

- 51     [08-0955](#)     Authority to settle the Workers' Compensation Claims of Edward Kaminski vs. MWRDGC, File Nos. 0200002897, 0200003449 and 0200003818, Illinois Workers' Compensation Commission in the sum of \$38,938.47. Account 901-30000-601090
- Recommended



**Approval of the Consent Agenda for this section:**

A motion was made by Gloria Alitto Majewski, seconded by Patricia Horton, to accept the consent agenda. The motion carried by acclamation. Chorus of ayes - No nays

**Labor & Industrial Relations Committee****Authorization**

- 52      [08-0981](#)      Adoption of Prevailing Wage Act Ordinance

A motion was made by Cynthia M. Santos, seconded by Barbara J. McGowan, that this Agenda Item be Recommended. The motion carried by acclamation. Chorus of ayes - No nays

**Maintenance & Operations Committee****Report**

- 53      [08-1004](#)      Report on change orders authorized and approved by the Chief of Maintenance and Operations during the month of April 2008 (As Revised)  
**Recommended**

**Authorization**

- 54      [08-0998](#)      Authorization to Declare an Emergency for Repair of a Centrate/Sludge Line on Plum Grove Road in Schaumburg, Illinois, Contract 08-700-01, Joel Kennedy Constructing Corp., estimated cost is not to exceed \$100,000.00, Account 901-90000-667220 (Req. 1242195)  
**Recommended**

- 55      [08-1021](#)      Authority to amend Operation and Maintenance Agreements between the District and Natural Resource Conservation Service of the U.S. Department of Agriculture for Upper Salt Creek Watershed Reservoirs: Structure No. 2, Plum Grove Reservoir; Structure No. 3, St. Michael Reservoir and Structure No. 4, Twin Lakes Reservoir  
**Recommended**

**Approval of the Consent Agenda for this section:**

A motion was made by Frank Avila, seconded by Cynthia M. Santos, to accept the consent agenda. The motion carried by acclamation. Chorus of ayes - No nays

**Real Estate Development Committee**

**Authorization**

- 56      [08-1005](#)      Authority to pay 2007 real estate taxes in the amount of \$12,342.68 for Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago's real estate located in DuPage County, Illinois. Account 101-30000-667130  
**Recommended**
- 57      [08-1011](#)      Authority to pay 2007 real estate taxes in the amount of \$38,328.74 for Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago's real estate located in Fulton County, Illinois. Account 101-30000-667130  
**Recommended**
- 58      [08-1012](#)      Authority to pay 2007 real estate taxes in the amount of \$419,410.34 for Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago's real estate located in Will County, Illinois. Account 101-30000-667130  
**Recommended**
- 59      [08-1015](#)      Authority to issue a 2-day permit to Cook County School District 130 Public Schools to use approximately 12.13 acres of District land located between Division and Chatham Streets in Blue Island, Illinois, known as Cal-Sag Channel Atlas Parcel 15.04 for conducting Lincoln School's annual student/teacher "Field Day." Consideration shall be \$10.00  
**Recommended**
- 60      [08-1018](#)      Authority to amend the Board Order dated April 3, 2003, authorizing issuance of a 6-month permit for installation of temporary flow meter equipment at 2 locations to change the name of permittee from MWH Americas, Inc. to the City of Chicago and to add 3 additional locations for installation of flow meters. Consideration shall be \$10.00  
**Recommended**
- 61      [08-1019](#)      Authority to advertise for public tender of bids a 10-year lease of approximately 14.02 acres of improved District real estate at 6400 South Archer Avenue, Bedford Park, Illinois, and known as Main Channel Atlas Index Parcel Number 33.01. The minimum initial annual rental bid shall be established at \$95,000.00  
**Deferred by Cynthia M. Santos**

**Approval of the Consent Agenda for this section with the exception of item: 61**

A motion was made by Cynthia M. Santos, seconded by Patricia Horton, to accept the consent agenda. The motion carried by acclamation. Chorus of ayes - No nays

**Research & Development Committee**

**Report**

- 62      [08-0825](#)      Report on the Use Attainability Rulemaking Illinois Pollution Control Board  
Docket No. R08-09
- A motion was made by Debra Shore, seconded by Cynthia M. Santos, that this Report be Recommended. The motion carried by acclamation. Chorus of ayes - No nays**

**State Legislation & Rules Committee****Authorization**

- 63      [08-0827](#)      Adoption of Amendments to the Rules of the Board of Commissioners of the  
Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago
- A motion was made by Debra Shore, seconded by Kathleen Therese Meany, that this Agenda Item be Recommended. The motion carried by acclamation. Chorus of ayes - No nays**

**Executive Session**

*Gloria Alitto Majewski requested an Executive Session on the Judiciary Committee for one matter of pending litigation*

**Adjournment**

The Committee of the Whole meeting of May 15, 2008 was adjourned at 1:15 pm

/s/ Jacqueline Torres  
Clerk