

Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago

100 East Erie Street
Chicago, IL 60611



Regular Board Meeting Minutes

Thursday, March 2, 2023

10:30 AM

Board Room

Board of Commissioners

*Commissioner Yumeka Brown, Commissioner Cameron Davis, Vice-President
Kimberly Du Buclet, Commissioner Patricia Theresa Flynn, Chairman of Finance
Marcelino Garcia, Commissioner Daniel Pogorzelski, Commissioner Eira L. Corral
Sepúlveda, Commissioner Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, President Board of
Commissioners Kari K. Steele*

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 Kari K. Steele presiding, called the meeting to order at 10:35 a.m.

Roll Call

Present: 9 - Yumeka Brown; Cameron Davis; Kimberly Du Buclet; Patricia Theresa Flynn; Marcelino Garcia; Daniel Pogorzelski; Eira L. Corral Sepúlveda; Mariyana T. Spyropoulos; and Kari K. Steele

Approval of Previous Board Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, seconded by Patricia Theresa Flynn, that the minutes from the last meeting of February 16, 2023 be approved without having to read them into the record. The motion carried by acclamation. Chorus of ayes - No nays

Public Comments

None

Recess and Convene as Committee of the Whole

A motion was made by Cameron Davis, seconded by Eira L. Corral Sepúlveda, to recess and convene as a committee of the whole. The motion carried by acclamation. Chorus of Ayes - No Nays

Committee of the Whole

Approval of the Committee of the Whole Consent Agenda with the exception of Item: 7

Item # 7 was deferred by Marcelino Garcia

President Kari K. Steele called for a motion to accept the agendas for each Standing Committee that was convened. Moved by Cameron Davis, seconded by Mariyana T. Spyropoulos. President Kari K. Steele called for any objections. No objections were voiced. Motion carried.

The Committee of the Whole meeting of March 2, 2023 was adjourned at 11:10 a.m.

Executive Session

None

Recess and Reconvene as Board of Commissioners

At 11:15 a.m. President Kari K. Steele reconvened the regular board meeting to order

Motions, Ordinances and Resolutions

Resolution

1 [23-0229](#) RESOLUTION sponsored by the Board of Commissioners recognizing the 2023 St. Patrick's Day Parade

Adopted

2 [23-0230](#) RESOLUTION sponsored by the Board of Commissioners recognizing the Shannon Rovers Irish Bagpipe Band

Adopted

3 [23-0231](#) RESOLUTION sponsored by the Board of Commissioners recognizing the contributions of Irish Americans

Adopted

4 [23-0232](#) RESOLUTION sponsored by the Board of Commissioners recognizing the month of March as Women's History Month

Adopted

Finance Committee**Authorization**

5 [23-0201](#) Authority to Transfer \$30,000,000.00 of excess revenues to the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District Retirement Fund pursuant to the provisions of 70 ILCS 2605/5.9

Approved

Procurement Committee**Report**

6 [23-0212](#) Report of bid opening of Tuesday, February 14, 2023

Published and Filed

Authorization

7 [23-0215](#) Authorization to increase cost estimate for Contract 20-RFP-28R, Biogas Combined Heat and Power System, EWRP, estimated cost \$10,344,000.00, Accounts 101-50000-612490, 201-50000-612450, 201-50000-645650, Requisitions 1549345, 1577630, 1577629 (As Revised)

Attachments: [Contract 20-RFP-28 Affirmative Action Goals Report - 4th Review](#)

Deferred by Marcelino Garcia

Authority to Advertise

8 [23-0203](#) Authority to advertise Contract 23-824-11, Furnish and Deliver One Horizontal Wheel Press to the Calumet Water Reclamation Plant, estimated cost \$286,000.00, Account 101-68000-634990, Requisition 1595271

Attachments: [Contract 23-824-11 Affirmative Action Goals Report](#)

Approved

9 [23-0204](#) Authority to advertise Contract 23-666-11, Security Services at the Prairie Plan Site in Fulton County, Illinois, estimated cost \$176,000.00, Account 101-69000-612490, Requisition 1580719

Attachments: [Contract 23-666-11 Affirmative Action Goals Report](#)

Approved

10 [23-0205](#) Authority to advertise Contract 23-017-11 Furnish and Deliver Electrical Supplies, Wire, and Cable to Various Locations for a One (1) Year Period, estimated cost \$411,000.00, Accounts 101-20000-623070, 623170, 623190, 623250, 623680, 623850

Approved

11 [23-0221](#) Authority to advertise Contract 23-004-11 Furnish and Deliver Miscellaneous Steel and Stainless Steel to Various Locations for a One (1) Year Period, estimated cost \$338,000.00, Accounts 101-20000-623030, 623130

Approved

Issue Purchase Order

12 [23-0196](#) Issue purchase order to CDW Government LLC, for ManageEngine Software License Renewal, in an amount not to exceed \$29,694.82, Account 101-27000-612820, Requisition 1596105

Approved

13 [23-0200](#) Issue purchase order to Earth Data Northeast, Inc. to furnish and deliver one Westbay motorized winch with cable and accessories, in an amount not to exceed \$27,378.75, Account 101-16000-634970, Requisition 1595407

Approved

14 [23-0208](#) Issue purchase order for Contract 23-630-12, Furnishing and Delivering Ferric Chloride (Re-Bid), to Kemira Water Solutions, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$3,637,415.00, Account 101-68000,69000-623560, Requisitions 1587200 and 1587764

Approved

15 [23-0209](#) Issue purchase order for Contract 23-685-51 Furnishing, Delivering and Administration of Rain Barrels, to Greenlane Environmental & Recycling Services Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$450,000.00, Account 501-50000-623990, Requisition 1588223

Approved

16 [23-0210](#) Issue purchase order to Howden Roots LLC, to Furnish and Deliver a 1012 RAS-J Blower to the Webster Instream Aeration Station and Two (2) Custom Bearing Assemblies to the Egan Water Reclamation Plant, in an amount not to exceed \$99,761.00, Account 101-67000-623270, Requisition 1595815

Approved

Award Contract

17 [23-0222](#) Authority to award Contract 23-027-11, Furnish and Deliver Glass and Plastic Labware to Various Locations for a One (1) Year Period, Group A to Daigger, a Weber Scientific Company, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$90,709.31, Groups B and D to Jade Scientific, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$88,701.70, and Group C to Crown Packaging International, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$64,997.22, Account 101-20000-623570

Attachments: [Contract 23-027-11 Item Descriptions - Groups A, B, C and D](#)

Approved

Increase Purchase Order/Change Order

18 [23-0213](#) Authority to increase Contract 14-253-AF Diversion Channel for Midlothian Creek in Robbins, to F.H. Paschen, S.N. Nielsen & Associates LLC in an amount of \$10,023.51, from an amount of \$10,522,819.25, to an amount not to exceed \$10,532,842.76, Account 501-50000-645620, Purchase Order 4000089

Attachments: [Change Order Log - Purchase Order 4000089](#)

Approved

19 [23-0233](#) Authority to increase purchase order and amend the agreement with The Northern Trust Corporation formally known as The Northern Trust Company, for Contract 17-RFP-10 Commercial Banking and Investment Custody Services, in an amount of \$7,500.00, from an amount of \$192,944.44 to an amount not to exceed \$200,444.44, Account 101-11000-612430, Purchase Order 3104902

Attachments: [Change Order Log - Purchase Order 3104902](#)

Approved

Budget & Employment Committee

Authorization

20 [23-0235](#) Authority to transfer 2023 departmental appropriations in the amount of \$20,000.00 in the Construction Fund

Attachments: [03.02.23 Board Transfer BF5.pdf](#)

Approved

Engineering Committee

Authorization

21 [23-0217](#) Authorization to enter into a memorandum of understanding to engage in a knowledge exchange program with international wastewater utilities that own and operate large diameter deep tunnel systems

Approved

Judiciary Committee

Authorization

22 [23-0220](#) Authority to settle the Workers' Compensation Claim of Daniel Mikso vs. MWRDGC, Claim number 21WC004185, Illinois Workers' Compensation Commission (IWCC), in the sum of \$73,210.38, Account 901-30000-601090

Approved

Real Estate Development Committee

Authorization

23 [23-0227](#) Authority to grant a 25-year, non-exclusive easement to the United States of America, Department of Transportation, Federal Aviation Administration for ingress and egress through District Cal-Sag Channel Parcels 12.02 and 12.09 located south of the Cal-Sag Channel at Kostner Avenue in Crestwood, Illinois. Consideration shall be a nominal fee of \$10.00

Attachments: [RE - FAA Easement E-280 Aerial \(revised\)](#)

Approved

24 [23-0228](#) Authority to amend lease agreement dated July 16, 2020, between the District and the Village of Lemont and Lemont Park District, co-tenants on $27.19\pm$ acres of District real estate located south of the Main Channel and west of Stephen Street in Lemont, Illinois; Main Channel Parcel 23.04 to expand their leasehold by $4.1\pm$ acres to include Main Channel Parcel 22.05. Consideration shall be a nominal fee of \$10.00

Attachments: [RE - Lemont Lease Amendment to include MCP 22.05 \(L-358\) Aerial.pdf](#)

Approved

25 23-0236 Authority to issue a 10-month permit to EA Engineering, Science, and Technology, Inc., PBC to use the access road and boat ramp located on approximately 400 sq. ft. of District Main Channel Parcel 15.05 in Lockport, Will County, Illinois, to launch and retrieve boats. Consideration shall be a fee of \$5,000.00

Attachments: [RE - EA Engineering Permit MCP 15.05 Aerial.pdf](#)

Approved

Stormwater Management Committee

Authorization

26 23-0218 Authority to negotiate an Intergovernmental Agreement with the City of Palos Hills for the design, construction, operation and maintenance of the Roberts Road Drainage Improvements in Palos Hills, Illinois

Attachments: [Roberts Road Conceptual Design.pdf](#)

Approved

27 23-0219 Authority to negotiate intergovernmental agreements for the acquisition of flood prone properties in Flossmoor, Midlothian and Northlake

Attachments: [23.3.2 BL Authority to Negotiate IGAs for FP Property Acquisitions - EXHIBIT.pdf](#)

Approved

28 23-0234 Authority to amend the Intergovernmental Agreement with the Village of Richton Park for the construction, operation and maintenance of the Detention Basin at Butterfield Creek, CSA (20-IGA-38)

Approved

Approval of the Consent Agenda with the exception of Item: 7

A motion was made by Cameron Davis, seconded by Patricia Theresa Flynn, to Approve the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Aye: 9 - Yumeka Brown, Cameron Davis, Kimberly Du Buclet, Patricia Theresa Flynn, Marcelino Garcia, Daniel Pogorzelski, Eira L. Corral Sepúlveda, Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, Kari K. Steele

Miscellaneous and New Business

Meeting Summary

Speakers

None

Summary of Requests*Procurement Committee Item #15*

1. *Eira L. Corral Sepúlveda requested consideration to add a QR code on the application with the video instructions on how to install the rain barrel*
2. *Kimberly Du Buclet also requested consideration to include a video on rain barrel maintenance to the QR code*
3. *Eira L. Corral Sepúlveda requested a memo on the plan for areas of outreach*

Real Estate Development Committee #25

1. *Mariyana T. Spyropoulos requested if there are any benefits to the District to have access to the data on aquatic species in the main channel*

Miscellaneous & New Business

1. *Eira L. Corral Sepúlveda requested consideration to establish a water fund to provide resources to the community of East Palestine, Ohio*

Study Session

None

Announcements

None

Board Letter Submission Dates

The next regular board meeting is scheduled for March 16, 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: March 3, 2023

Date all agenda items are due to the Executive Director: 1:00 p.m., March 8, 2023

Adjournment

A motion was made by Yumeka Brown, seconded by Patricia Theresa Flynn, that when the Board Adjourns, it adjourns to meet again on Thursday, March 16, 2023 at 10:30 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: 9 - Yumeka Brown, Cameron Davis, Kimberly Du Buclet, Patricia Theresa Flynn, Marcelino Garcia, Daniel Pogorzelski, Eira L. Corral Sepúlveda, Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, Kari K. Steele

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 March 2, 2023, are hereby approved.

APPROVED:

/s/ Kari K. Steele

**President Board of Commissioners of the
Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago**

March 2, 2023