

Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago

100 East Erie Street
Chicago, IL 60611



Regular Board Meeting Minutes

Thursday, April 19, 2018

10:30 AM

Board Room

Board of Commissioners

*Chairman of Finance Frank Avila, Commissioner Martin J. Durkan, Vice President
Barbara J. McGowan, Commissioner Josina Morita, Commissioner Debra Shore,
Commissioner Kari K. Steele,
Commissioner David J. Walsh, 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 10:30 a.m.

Roll Call

Present: 8 - Frank Avila; Martin J. Durkan; Barbara J. McGowan; Josina Morita; Debra Shore; Kari K. Steele; David J. Walsh; and Mariyana T. Spyropoulos

Approval of Previous Board Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Martin J. Durkan, seconded by Kari K. Steele, that the minutes from the last meeting be approved without having to read them into the record. The motion carried by acclamation. Chorus of ayes - No nays

Public Comments

Charles Dieringer, a concerned citizen, addressed the Board on issues related to the Waterways and Earth Week, the need for education and distributed an educational brochure

Recess and Convene as Committee of the Whole

A motion was made by Frank Avila, seconded by Debra Shore, 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 [18-0360](#) Report on Cash Disbursements for the Month of March 2018, in the amount of \$26,979,371.09

Attachments: [March 2018 Cash Disbursements Summary.pdf](#)

Published and Filed

Procurement Committee

Report

- 2 [18-0370](#) Report on advertisement of Request for Proposal 17-RFP-36 Provide Plant Information Management Software for the District's Seven Water Reclamation Plants, estimated cost \$300,000.00, Accounts 401-50000-612430/634820, Requisition 1490770

Published and Filed

- 3 [18-0378](#) Report of bid opening of Tuesday, April 3, 2018
Published and Filed
- 4 [18-0381](#) Report of bid opening of Tuesday, April 10, 2018
Published and Filed
- 5 [18-0383](#) Report on rejection of bids for Contract 18-617-11, Power Distribution Equipment Inspection and Repairs, estimated cost \$98,000.00
Published and Filed

Authorization

- 6 [18-0375](#) Authorization to increase cost estimate and re-advertise Contract 16-126-3SR, Summit Conduit Rehabilitation, SSA, from an estimated cost between \$1,520,000.00 and \$1,840,000.00 to an estimated cost between \$2,375,000.00 and \$2,875,000.00, Account 401-50000-645700, Requisition 1474785

Attachments: [16-126-3SR Summit Conduit Rehabilitation, SSA.pdf](#)

Approved

- 7 [18-0393](#) Authorization to amend Board Order of April 5, 2018 authorizing the acceptance of the initial annual rental bid for Contract 18-360-11 Proposal to Lease for five (5) years, 2.5± acres of District real estate located at 15680 Canal Bank Road in Lemont, Illinois; Main Channel Parcel 23.10 (Western Portion) in the amount of \$50,000.00, to include the name of the successful bidder, Hicksgas, LLC d/b/a Liberty Propane ("Hicks"), in the Board Order's title and concluding paragraph

Approved

Authority to Advertise

- 8 [18-0366](#) Authority to advertise Contract 17-604-21 Furnish, Deliver and Install Headrace Handrails, Guardrails and Fencing at the Lockport Powerhouse, estimated cost \$46,500.00, Account 201-50000-645720, Requisition 1469616

Approved

- 9 [18-0368](#) Authority to advertise Contract 18-915-21 Furnish and Deliver an Articulating Boom Lift to the Stickney Water Reclamation Plant, estimated cost \$70,000.00, Account 201-50000-634860, Requisition 1487342

Approved

- 10 [18-0373](#) Authority to advertise Contract 18-679-11 Roof Inspection Services at Various Locations, estimated cost \$99,000.00, Account 101-69000-612240, Requisition 1474251

Approved

- 11 [18-0376](#) Authority to advertise Contract 18-362-11 for public tender of bids the sale of an approximately 73-acre parcel of District real estate located at 820 W. 138th Street in Riverdale, Illinois. The minimum sale price bid shall be established at \$530,000.00

Attachments: [Aerial Map.Riverdale Site.pdf](#)

Approved

Issue Purchase Order

- 12 [18-0334](#) Issue purchase order to CDW Government, LLC and enter into an agreement with Microsoft Corporation for Microsoft Premier software and directory services support, in an amount not to exceed \$23,266.80, Account 101-27000-612820, Requisition 1490779.

Approved

- 13 [18-0365](#) Issue purchase order to exercise option to extend for a three-year period with PT Chicago, LLC for space at Presidential Towers located at 575 West Madison Street, in Chicago, Illinois for TARP Telemetry Radio Equipment for a period from September 1, 2018 through August 31, 2021, in an amount not to exceed \$179,265.71, Account 101-69000-612330, Requisition 1478966

Approved

- 14 [18-0385](#) Issue purchase order for Contract 18-101-12 (Re-Bid), Perform Olfactometry Analysis of Odorous Gas Samples, to St. Croix Sensory, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$21,500.00, Account 201-50000-612440, Requisition 1469599

Approved

- 15 [18-0386](#) Issue purchase orders and enter into agreements with Jose A. Lopez and Michael J. Weicher, for their services as Commissioners on MWRD's Ethics Commission, in an amount not to exceed \$2,500.00 per Commissioner for a two-year period, Account 101-11000-612430, Requisitions 1492045, 1492046

Approved

- 16 [18-0396](#) Issue purchase order for Contract 18-105-12 (Re-Bid), Provide Gas Analysis of Odorous Compounds in Gas Samples, to ALS Group USA Corp a/k/a ALS Environmental, in an amount not to exceed \$19,120.00, Account 201-50000-612440, Requisition 1469431

Approved

- 17 [18-0397](#) Issue purchase order for Contract 18-935-12 (Re-Bid), Furnishing and Delivering Sodium Hydroxide, to Olin Corporation, in an amount not to exceed \$5,045,312.00, Account 101-69000-623560, Requisition 1460504

Deferred by Frank Avila

- 18 [18-0398](#) Issue purchase order for Contract 18-109-11, Maintenance Services and Consumables for the Calumet Analytical Laboratory Reagent Grade Water System, to Total Water Treatment Systems, Inc. (TWTS), in an amount not to exceed \$17,587.00, Accounts 101-16000-612490, 623570, Requisition 1480247

Approved

- 19 [18-0399](#) Issue purchase orders and enter into agreements for Contract 18-RFP-06 Legal Services for Workers' Compensation Defense for the period June 1, 2018 through May 31, 2020 with the option to extend for an additional one-year period, with Dennis Noble and Associates, P.C. in an amount not to exceed \$225,000.00, and Nyhan, Bambrick, Kinzie & Lowry P.C. in an amount not to exceed \$150,000.00, Account 101-25000-612430, Requisition 1481599

Approved

Award Contract

- 20 [18-0384](#) Authority to award Contract 17-845-3P, Heavy Equipment Storage Building Site Improvements, Bulk Material Storage Building, Calumet Water Reclamation Plant and O'Brien Water Reclamation Plant, to Rausch Infrastructure LLC, in an amount not to exceed \$1,961,700.00, plus a five (5) percent allowance for change orders in an amount of \$98,085.00, for a total amount not to exceed \$2,059,785.00, Account 401-50000-645680, Requisition 1480002

Attachments: [Contract 17-845-3P Revised Appendix D Report.pdf](#)

[Contract 17-845-3P Project View.pdf](#)

Approved

Increase Purchase Order/Change Order

- 21 [18-0367](#) Authority to decrease Contract 04-128-3P Westside Primary Settling Tanks 1-9 and Aerated Grit Facility, Stickney Water Reclamation Plant, to IHC Construction and F.H. Paschen/S.N. Nielsen Joint Venture, in an amount of \$22,326.89, from an amount of \$232,300,662.02, to an amount not to exceed \$232,278,335.13, Accounts 401-50000-645650, 645780, 645680, Purchase Order 4000020

Attachments: [04-128-3P CO Log BM 4-19-18.pdf](#)

[04-128-3P CO Log Contingency BM 4-19-18.pdf](#)

Approved

- 22 [18-0369](#) Authority to decrease Contract 09-365-5F Heritage Park Flood Control Facility, to F.H. Paschen/Lake County Grading, A Joint Venture in an amount of \$392,827.34, from an amount of \$29,305,851.33, to an amount not to exceed \$28,913,023.99, Account 501-50000-645620, Purchase Order 5001339

Attachments: [CO Log 09-365-5F BM 4-19-18.pdf](#)

Approved

- 23 [18-0374](#) Authority to increase Contract 17-689-12 (Re-Bid) Test and Repair Underground Storage Tanks at Various Locations, to Stenstrom Petroleum Services Group in an amount of \$35,000.00, from an amount of \$115,129.73, to an amount not to exceed \$150,129.73, Accounts 101-15000, 67000, 68000, 69000-612240, 612490, 612840, 623070, 623270, Purchase Orders 5001629, 5001630, 5001631, 5001632, 5001633, Requisition 1491750

Attachments: [5001629 co log.pdf](#)
[5001630 co log.pdf](#)
[5001631 co log.pdf](#)
[5001632 co log.pdf](#)
[5001633 co log.pdf](#)

Approved

Budget & Employment Committee

Authorization

- 24 [18-0377](#) Authority to transfer 2018 departmental appropriations in the amount of \$25,000.00 in the Corporate Fund

Attachments: [04.19.18 Board Transfer BF5](#)

Approved

Engineering Committee

Report

- 25 [18-0379](#) Report on change orders authorized and approved by the Director of Engineering during the month of March 2018

Attachments: [Attachment 1 CO Report March 2018 \\$10,000.pdf](#)
[Attachment 2 CO Report March 2018 5% Contingency.pdf](#)
[Attachment 3 CO Status Report March 2018.pdf](#)

Published and Filed

Authorization

- 26 [18-0380](#) Authority to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement and make payment to the Fox River Water Reclamation District for Anaerobic Digestion Improvements for the Albin D. Pagorski Water Reclamation Facility of the Fox River Water Reclamation District (17-IGA-03) in an amount not to exceed \$2,915,922.00, Account 401-50000-612400, Requisition 1492044

Deferred by David J. Walsh

Maintenance & Operations Committee

Authorization

- 27 [18-0392](#) Authority to issue specific leases to tenant farmers under the farm management program administrated by the District's consultant, Heartland Bank and Trust Company, for land parcels of various acreages located at the Prairie Plan Operations in Fulton County, Illinois, for a one year period, pursuant to 17-RFP-31, Farm Management Support Services. Consideration shall be a sum total initial annual rent for all leases of \$669,677.38

Attachments: [List of tenant farmers for 17-RFP-31.pdf](#)

Approved

Monitoring & Research Committee

Authorization

- 28 [18-0364](#) Authorization to enter into a Copyright License Agreement with UWM Research Foundation, Inc. for a Software Tool for Probabilistic Reliability Evaluation and Effluent Quality Risk Analysis of Wastewater Treatment Plants

Approved

Pension, Human Resources & Civil Service Committee

Authorization

- 29 [18-0362](#) Authority to amend employee leave benefits for non-represented employees to include paid parental leave

Deleted by the Executive Director

- 30 [18-0387](#) Request for advice and consent to the reappointment of Jose A. Lopez and Michael J. Weicher as Commissioners of MWRD's Ethics Commission for two-year terms pursuant to the Ethics Ordinance

Approved

Real Estate Development Committee

Authorization

- 31 [18-0388](#) Authority to grant a 25-year, 120,000± sq. ft. non-exclusive easement to the Village of Schaumburg to continue to construct, reconstruct, operate, maintain, repair, replace and remove a 12" sanitary sewer line known as the Briar Pointe sanitary sewer line on District real estate located within the Hanover Park Water Reclamation Plant premises in Hanover Park, Illinois. Consideration shall be a nominal fee of \$10.00

Attachments: [Aerial Map.Hanover Park WRP.pdf](#)

Approved

- 32 [18-0389](#) Authority to issue a five (5) year permit to NeighborSpace for continued use of 1.8± acres of District real estate located along the east bank of the North Branch of the Chicago River between Montrose Avenue and 212 feet south of Berteau Avenue in Chicago, Illinois; North Shore Channel Parcel 10.03 for riverbank management and restoration and maintenance of a wood chipped path. Consideration shall be a nominal fee of \$10.00

Attachments: [Aerial Map.Parcel 10.03.pdf](#)

Approved

- 33 [18-0390](#) Authority to issue a five (5) year permit to the U.S. Department of Interior, U.S. Geological Survey and the University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign, as co-permittees, to continue to access, operate, maintain and improve their Chicago Waterway Observatory within an approximate 3' x 6' area of the District's Chicago River Controlling Works South Sluice Gate Building located at DuSable Harbor in Chicago, Illinois. Consideration shall be a nominal fee of \$10.00

Attachments: [Aerial Map.DuSable Harbor P-430.pdf](#)

Approved

- 34 [18-0391](#) Authority to amend lease agreement dated August 31, 2017, between the District and Reliable Materials Corporation of Illinois on 5.65± acres of District real estate located at 4101 South Cicero Avenue in Chicago, Illinois; Main Channel Parcel 40.01 to allow an additional use of operating a concrete ready-mix plant facility. Consideration shall be a \$5,000.00 document preparation fee

Attachments: [Aerial Map.Parcel 40.01 4.19.18.pdf](#)

Approved

Stormwater Management Committee

Report

- 35 [18-0382](#) Report on Green Infrastructure, Detention, and Compensatory Storage Volumes Required by the Watershed Management Ordinance

Attachments: [Quarterly Reporting Table 2018Q1.pdf](#)

Published and Filed

Approval of the Consent Agenda with the exception of Items: 17, 26, 29, 36, 37, and 38

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

Aye: 8 - Frank Avila, Martin J. Durkan, Barbara J. McGowan, Josina Morita, Debra Shore, Kari K. Steele, David J. Walsh, Mariyana T. Spyropoulos

Miscellaneous and New Business

Resolution

- 36 [18-0400](#) RESOLUTION sponsored by the Board of Commissioners recognizing May as Asian American Pacific Islander Heritage Month

A motion was made by Frank Avila, seconded by Martin J. Durkan, that this Resolution be Adopted. The motion carried by acclamation. Chorus of ayes - No nays

- 37 [18-0401](#) RESOLUTION sponsored by the Board of Commissioners recognizing Abbey Murphy

A motion was made by David J. Walsh, seconded by Frank Avila, that this Resolution be Adopted. The motion carried by acclamation. Chorus of ayes - No nays

- 38 [18-0402](#) RESOLUTION sponsored by the Board of Commissioners recognizing Dr. Anuja Gupta, Shital Daftari, and Rita Singh for their Leadership in the Women's Empowerment Campaign of Chicago

A motion was made by Martin J. Durkan, seconded by Frank Avila, that this Resolution be Adopted. The motion carried by acclamation. Chorus of ayes - No nays

Meeting Summary

Speakers

Neil Knot, President of the Federation of Indian Associations of Chicago, Anil R. Shah, President of World's Money Exchange, Inc., and Syed Hussaini, Senior Vice President at Wintrust Bank accepted the Resolution recognizing May as Asian American Pacific Islander Heritage Month (Re: Miscellaneous and New Business Item #36)

Abbey Murphy, a sophomore at Mother McAuley High School, accepted the Resolution recognizing her hockey achievements (Re: Miscellaneous and New Business Item #37)

Dr. Anuja Gupta and Shital Daftari accepted the Resolution in recognition of their Leadership in the Women's Empowerment Campaign of Chicago (Re: Miscellaneous and New Business Item #38)

Summary of Requests

Maintenance & Operations Item #27

1. Mariyana T. Spyropoulos requested a report on how the land was valued and allocations made

Study Session

None

Announcements

None

Board Letter Submission Dates

The next regular board meeting is scheduled for May 3, 2018, 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: April 20, 2018.

Date all agenda items are due to the Executive Director: 1:00 p.m., April 25, 2018.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Debra Shore, seconded by Barbara J. McGowan, that when the Board Adjourns, it adjourns to meet again on Thursday, May 3, 2018 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: 8 - Frank Avila, Martin J. Durkan, Barbara J. McGowan, Josina Morita, Debra Shore, Kari K. Steele, David J. Walsh, 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 April 19, 2018, are hereby approved.

APPROVED:

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

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