

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 Edward Murphy vs. MWRDGC, Claim 13 WC 39875, Illinois Workers' Compensation Commission (IWCC), in the sum of \$59,837.08, Account 901-30000-601090

Dear Sir:

Edward Murphy is a Pipefitter at the Stickney Water Reclamation Plant. On January 18, 2012, he sustained injuries to his right knee after striking it on a pipe support. Mr. Murphy was initially seen by the doctor at the industrial medical clinic on January 18, 2012. The employee's initial treatment consisted of physical therapy and medication. He was disabled from work effective January 20, 2012. The employee underwent a procedure on his right leg on April 12, 2012. Following this procedure he underwent a course of physical therapy. He was able to return to work on July 23, 2012.

Mr. Murphy continued to experience problems with his right knee and on January 8, 2015 he underwent a second procedure on his knee. He was disabled from work again effective January 8, 2015. He was able to return to work on April 8, 2015.

Mr. Murphy underwent a third procedure on his right knee on May 7, 2015. He was disabled from work again effective May 7, 2015. Following this procedure he underwent additional physical therapy. He returned back to work on August 17, 2015.

A total of \$62,259.06 was paid in lost time benefits representing a total of 53.4 weeks.

Mr. Murphy 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 \$59,837.08, representing approximately 40% loss of the right leg. This settlement will close out future lost time 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
Respectfully Submitted, Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, Chairman Committee on Judiciary
Disposition of this agenda item will be documented in the official Regular Board Meeting Minutes of the Board of Commissioners for January 10, 2019