

**HAMMOND PORT AUTHORITY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
April 27, 2021**

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT

Eva Huerta	Chairman (Zoom)
Diane Kaminsky	Vice Chairman
Thomas E. Kuhn	Secretary/Treasurer (Zoom)
Kristen Cantrell	Member (Zoom)
Rosemary Wojdyla	Member (Zoom)
Milan A. Kruszynski	Port Authority Director
Julia Pustek	Finance Director
Susan Tabers	Marina Coordinator
Steven Sersic	Smith Sersic
Kevin Smith	Smith Sersic (Zoom)

OTHERS PRESENT

None

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The April 27, 2021 meeting of the Hammond Port Authority Board of Directors was called to order at 4:30pm. Five members are present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

R. Wojdyla made a motion to approve the minutes of March 23, 2021.

D. Kaminsky seconded the motion.

Discussion: None.

Roll Call	K. Cantrell	Abstain
	D. Kaminsky	Yes
	T. Kuhn	Yes
	R. Wojdyla	Yes
	E. Huerta	Abstain

Motion approved 3 in favor, 2 abstain.

T. Kuhn made a motion to approve the minutes of April 13, 2021

R. Wojdyla seconded the motion.

Discussion: None

Roll Call:	K. Cantrell	Yes
	D. Kaminsky	Abstain
	T. Kuhn	Yes
	R. Wojdyla	Yes
	E. Huerta	Yes

Motion approved 4 in favor, 1 abstain.

DIRECTORS REPORT

M. Kruszynski reported on the following:

Marina – We are launching the boats in the parking lot this weekend. M. Kruszynski invited the board to come out Friday or Saturday to take a look at the process. This is the official start of the season. We're happy the weather is cooperating.

The number permitted slips are as follows: At this time in 2020, we had 272 permitted slips. (We are aware this was the beginning of Covid.) Now, in 2021, permitted slips are 375 - 52 are new boaters. As this is pre-launch, we believe we will get a better handle in the next month on where we will be for the season. The total slips permitted last year was 442.

M. Kruszynski again thanked the board for their help last year with the approving the discounted rate for the displaced Chicago boaters.

T, Kuhn asked about whether we require state registration. He wanted to make sure you can have your boat registered in Illinois and still dock your boat at the Hammond Marina. A discussion was held on the BMV's backlog and what the Marina requires as far as boat registration.

Lost Marsh Golf Course – The course has 169 tee times today. The weather certainly has helped.

Wolf Lake – The staff has been busy with the grass at the parks and the planters at the Water Gardens. They are also planting additional trees.

CHAIRMANS REPORT

The Executive Session of the Hammond Port Authority of April 27, 2021 began at 4:00p.m., Chairman Huerta, Vice Chairman Kaminsky, Secretary/Treasurer Kuhn, Member Cantrell and Member Wojdyla were present. The subject matter considered were matters for the discussion of strategy with respect to the initiation of litigation or litigation that is pending, purchase of lease of real property by the governing body, and to discuss a job performance evaluation of individual employees pursuant to IC 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(2)(B), (D),(9). The Board certifies that no subject matter was discussed in the executive session other than the subject matter specified in the public notice.

CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS UPDATE

T. Kuhn reported:

Fire Station #2 update: No real update. We are still working out the financials.

Obelisk Plaza Update: We are having issues with the State of Illinois. Everything is on hold at the moment.

Amoco Park Update: M. Kruszynski will meet with Jim Tailon. They are going to have to get rid of the playground equipment and Safety Village outside of the Civic Center. We are going to determine if this in in good enough shape to place at Amoco Park.

Parking Lot D – Grass Lot Update: The project has started. They ran into some transite and are proceeding under the direction of environmental. T. Kuhn looks forward to reviewing the Musco lighting installation quotes.

Gold Star Monument Update: Everything is in Leon’s hands now.

Marina Guardhouse – The project has started and is moving slowly. We still have to do the seal coating, install the bollards and address the planters. This project should be done by the 1st meeting in May.

New York Avenue, College Blvd sign and landscaping – The project has started. The concrete has been poured and they’re putting in the bracing for the sign. This should be completed by May 15th.

Expansion of Paired Homes North Towards CCSJ – M. Kruszynski met with R. Piazza from Abonmarche. They found AT&T conduit in the easement close to the sidewalk.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

Recommendation – COVID-19 Voluntary Vaccination Policy

R. Wojdyla made a motion to approve the Recommendation for the COVID-19 Voluntary Vaccination Policy

D. Kaminsky seconded the motion.

Discussion: None

Roll Call: K. Cantrell Yes
D. Kaminsky Yes
T. Kuhn Yes
R. Wojdyla Yes
E. Huerta Yes

Motion approved 5-0.

Recommendation approval of Re-establishing the Wolf Lake Point of Sale Funds for Rental of Kayak, Canoe, etc. and Pavilion Ticket Drawers

T. Kuhn made a motion to approve Re-establishing Point of Sale for Wolf Lake rentals and the Pavilion Ticket Drawers.

K. Cantrell seconded the motion.

Discussion: R. Wojdyla added this is for a total of \$1,700.00

Roll Call: K. Cantrell Yes
D. Kaminsky Yes
T. Kuhn Yes
R. Wojdyla Yes
E. Huerta Yes

Motion approved 5-0.

PURCHASE ORDERS

K. Cantrell made a motion to approve the Purchase Orders as presented.

Fund 626 Marina Operations
Fund 627 Construction
Fund 630 Lost Marsh Golf Course
Fund 631 Wolf Lake
Fund 708 Payroll
Electronic Transfers.

R. Wojdyla seconded the motion.

Discussion:

Roll Call: K. Cantrell Yes
D. Kaminsky Yes
T. Kuhn Yes
R. Wojdyla Yes
E. Huerta Yes

Motion approved 5-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

NEXT MEETING

The next regular meeting of the Hammond Port Authority is scheduled for Tuesday, May 11, 2021. The meeting will be held at 701 Casino Center Drive, Hammond, IN 46320. The Board and the public may attend in person or by zoom. The Executive Session will begin at 4:00pm, the Construction Meeting will begin at 4:15pm and The Regular meeting will begin at 4:30p.m.

R. Wojdyla made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

T. Kuhn seconded the motion.

Motion was approved with a unanimous vote.

The April 27, 2021 Board Of Directors meeting adjourned at 4:46pm.

EXECUTIVE SESSION MEMORANDUM

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