

**HAMMOND PORT AUTHORITY  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING  
May 11, 2021**

**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

MEMBERS PRESENT

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

OTHERS PRESENT

None

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The May 11, 2021 meeting of the Hammond Port Authority Board of Directors was called to order at 4:34pm. Five members are present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

D. Kaminsky made a motion to approve the minutes of April 27, 2021

R. Wojdyla 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 in favor.

DIRECTORS REPORT

M. Kruszynski reported on the following:

Marina – Launch went well despite the high winds. Friday it was coming from the north and Saturday it was coming from the south. All the boats were launched with no incident. This was a great start to the season!

Lost Marsh Golf Course – All has been good at the course except for the weather this past weekend. Play was hindered by the rain on Saturday and the power outage that lasted about 24

hours from Saturday night through Sunday night. Unfortunately, Emerald Green lost over 100 reservations for Mother's Day.

Wolf Lake – The Pavilion and Wolf Lake were also affected by the power outage. With the Sheffield Avenue storm pump station down, storm water backed up to Pulaski Park.

Everything is growing and staff is busy cutting, cleaning and maintaining all the sites. We've had some equipment issues. Our tractor and two of our lawnmowers are down. Our equipment is 11 years old and we will plan to upgrade next year. In the meantime, we will borrow equipment until ours is repaired.

### CHAIRMANS REPORT

The Executive Session of the Hammond Port Authority of May 11, 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: K. Smith reported – the property has been transferred between departments and we are in the process of finalizing the location.

Obelisk Plaza Update: A survey was done by Abonmarche and it is believed that Com Ed does not own the property. It is believed the property is owned by the Chicago Park System. Once this is resolved, Great Lakes Construction should be able to proceed.

Amoco Park Update: The park equipment at the Civic Center cannot be moved. It is also questionable whether we will be able to relocate the Safety Village.

The existing building at Amoco Park has working bathrooms but no electric service to the building. This will be addressed.

Parking Lot D – Grass Lot Update: The bad soil has been relocated to Newton County. We have gone out to quote for the installation of the Musco Lighting. Quotes are due on Tuesday, May 25, 2021 @ 2:00 pm. Quotes will be reviewed and Recommendation to follow.

Marina Guardhouse – The project should be done by the next board meeting.

New York Avenue, College Blvd sign and landscaping – We are waiting for the slab to be poured by Grissoli Concrete. The sign is ready.

Expansion of Paired Homes North Towards CCSJ – Abonmarche are taking care of survey work to verify property lines and AT&T problems.

Finally, we have retained the services of a beaver trapper.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

None

PURCHASE ORDERS

R. Wojdyla made a motion to approve the Purchase Orders as presented.

Fund 626	Marina Operations
Fund 627	Construction
Fund 628	Embarkation
Fund 629	Lakefront
Fund 630	Lost Marsh Golf Course
Fund 631	Wolf Lake
Fund 708	Payroll

Electronic Transfers and \$500,000.00 Trust Indiana

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.

PUBLIC COMMENT

R. Wojdyla said she read an article in the South Bend Tribune regarding the relatively dry winter causing the Great Lakes levels to decrease. Lake Michigan decreased by 14", Ontario by 20", Erie by 17" and Lake Superior by 6". Hopefully this will help with our lakeshore.

T. Kuhn said the launch was favorably mentioned on WJOB.

R. Wojdyla asked if there was any more information on the car going into Wolf Lake. M. Kruszynski responded that the only thing we know is what our police told us. There was no damage to our property.

NEXT MEETING

The next regular meeting of the Hammond Port Authority is scheduled for Tuesday, May 25, 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.

T. Kuhn made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

D. Kaminsky seconded the motion.

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Motion was approved with a unanimous vote.  
The May 11, 2021 Board Of Directors meeting adjourned at 4:49pm.

EXECUTIVE SESSION MEMORANDUM

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