

**HAMMOND PORT AUTHORITY  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING  
October 11, 2022**

**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Eva Huerta	Chairman
Diane Kaminsky	Vice Chairman
Kristin Cantrell (via Zoom)	Secretary/Treasurer
Rosemary Wojdyla	Member
Thomas E. Kuhn	Member
Milan A. Kruszynski	Port Authority Director
Susan Tabers	Marina Coordinator
Ashley Gordish	HPA Bookkeeper
Steve Sersic	Smith Sersic

**OTHERS PRESENT**

None.

**CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

The October 11, 2022 meeting of the Hammond Port Authority Board of Directors was called to order by Chairman Huerta at 4:30pm. Four members are present, one is present via Zoom.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

D. Kaminsky made a motion to approve the minutes of September 27, 2022 as presented.

R. Wojdyla seconded the motion.

Discussion: None

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

Motion passes, 5 approve.

**DIRECTORS REPORT**

M. Kruszynski reported on the following:

Marina- The staff is doing final preparations for haul out coming up on Friday, October 14 and Saturday, October 15. The time slots filled up quickly, and we are working with Brownell to see if there is any way we can add a few more boats to the haul out schedule. Marina staff is anticipating a very busy weekend. We have quite a few boaters who are opting into trailerable and in water boat storage with us this winter as well. Maintenance staff is purging and

inspecting the bubbler systems. They are also preparing to turn the water off for the docks next week.

Lost Marsh Golf Course- Saturday, October 22 is the Chili Open. It is full with 144 golfers, 30-40 of those golfers are bringing chili to be judged. N. Sullivan has fall golf rates published, but they may not be used due to the fact that the course is doing well and the golfers don't seem to mind continuing paying the summer rates.

Wolf Lake- Irrigation winterization has begun. The HOA properties have had the irrigation lines purged. Mowing has taken place along Calumet Avenue and the pedestrian bridge, as well as on the Indianapolis Boulevard and New York Avenue pedestrian bridge.

Thank you Susan! The 18 years you have been a Hammond Port Authority employee and the 15 years you have served as the secretary to the board have been wonderful. We appreciate all the effort, time, and hard work you have put in for the Hammond Port Authority, the Marina, and the Clipper Room. We truly appreciate all you have done for us!

### **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

The Executive Session of the Hammond Port Authority of October 11, 2022 began at 4:00p.m., Chairman Huerta, Vice Chairman Kaminsky, Secretary/Treasurer Cantrell (via Zoom), Member Wojdyla and Member Kuhn are present. The subject matter considered were matters for the discussion of strategy with respect to:

1. Contractual Concerns.
2. Initiation or Pending litigation
3. Personnel matters

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:

Wolf Lake ADA Kayak & Canoe Launch Dock Update- We have been reaching out for proposals in regards to the design of an ADA accessible ramp with the help of D. Button.

Marina Main Dock Boater Bathrooms- We should be able to hold off another year. We only had a few issues with the grinders this year. The soil boring is complete, and M. Kruszynski will be electronically sharing those results with the board.

Amoco Park- The project has been completed, and the park is accessible. The next phase is building a walking path around the park, and Milestone Contractors gave an estimate cost of about \$150,000. We are also still interested in adding some benches around the park. We are hoping to receive funding from BP so we are able to address these items.

Golf Cart Bidding- Public bidding for the golf carts open at 2pm on Monday, October 17.

Clark High School Fields- There has been a lot of positive feedback regarding the plans to install single family homes.

**OLD BUSINESS**

None.

**NEW BUSINESS**

D. Kaminsky made a motion to approve travel for Port Authority Director for January and February 2023. T. Kuhn seconded the motion.

Discussion: D. Kaminsky added the travel involves the Chicago Boat & RV Show in Chicago, IL (January 10-January 15, 2023); the International Marina and Boatyard Conference in Daytona Beach, FL (January 30-February 1, 2023); and the PGA Golf Show in Orlando, FL (January 23-January 28, 2023).

R. Wojdyla mentioned that it is important for us to have representation at these events, especially since we haven't been able to attend the past few years due to COVID.

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

Motion passes, 5 approve.

**PURCHASE ORDERS**

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

- 626 – Marina Operations
- 627 – Construction
- 628 – Embarkation
- 629 – Lakefront
- 630 – Lost Marsh Golf Course
- 631 – Wolf Lake
- 708 – Payroll
- Electronic Transfers

D. Kaminsky seconded the motion.

Discussion: None.

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

Motion passes, 5 approve.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

S. Sersic: "Roses are red, violets are blue, HPA will never be the same without you. Thank you Susan for everything you've done!"

E. Huerta, D. Kaminsky, K.Cantrell , R. Wojdyla,, and T. Kuhn would all like to extend a huge thank you to Susan for all the hard work and long hours you have given to the Port Authority. The board truly appreciates all you have done. Have a great retirement!

**NEXT MEETING**

The next regular meeting of the Hammond Port Authority is scheduled for Tuesday, October 25, 2022. The meeting will be held at 701 Casino Center Drive, Hammond, IN 46320. The Board may attend in person or by zoom with the stipulations adopted in Resolution 21-03 approved by the Board on July 27, 2021. The Executive Session will begin at 4:00p.m, the Construction Meeting will begin at 4:15p.m. And the Regular meeting will begin at 4:30p.m.

The October 11, 2022 Board of Directors meeting adjourned by unanimous vote at 4:41pm.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION MEMORANDUM**

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