HAMMOND PORT AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING May 25, 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 PustekFinance DirectorSusan TabersMarina CoordinatorSteven SersicSmith Sersic (Zoom)

OTHERS PRESENT

None

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The May 25, 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 May 11, 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 – We had a very busy weekend. All 54 Jet Ski slips on I-dock have been sold.

Slip count: Total number of permitted slips

371 last year at this time

425 this year which includes 80 new boaters

442 – Total slips permitted in 2020 (This is the final count we give at the last

meeting in July of 2020.)

Staff is doing a great job.

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<u>Lost Marsh Golf Course</u> is doing well. N. Sullivan reports that the outing numbers are up this year. We're using a lot of (Hammond) water keeping the pond filled.

<u>Wolf Lake</u> – We're in the throes of summer and busy maintaining the sites. The Splash Pad is scheduled to open this weekend.

We have also received approval from the Board of Public Works for the 4th of July fireworks at the 6 locations and Venetian Night fireworks at the Marina Beach. We also received approval from the Park Board for the fireworks displays from and over Park property per the ordinance.

CHAIRMANS REPORT

The Executive Session of the Hammond Port Authority of May 25, 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: None at this time but M. Kruszynski has a meeting Thursday.

<u>Obelisk Plaza Update:</u> No follow up from Abonmarche. Milan Kruszynski and Kevin Smith will meet with Keith Sattler regarding the review of the documents.

<u>Parking Lot D – Grass Lot Update:</u> They have laid down the driveway and pad at the entrance. They are preparing to install cattle gates and fencing. The area has been seeded and everyone is pleased with the way it looks. We are taking the Musco Lighting bids under advisement. D. Kaminsky later corrected us that we did not go out to bid, we advertised for quotes. T. Kuhn said we didn't think the project would go in for more than \$150,000.00.

<u>Marina Guardhouse</u> – We are behind schedule. They have installed the bollards and planters but still have striping and seal coating to do. There is also an issue with the size of the lettering and numbering. The gates will also have to be synced.

New York Avenue, College Blvd sign and landscaping – The sign is finished, the flowers have been planted. All this was done in time for Calumet College Graduation. The Board of Public Works has approved the right of way signage. The sign looks good.

<u>Expansion of Paired Homes North Towards CCSJ</u> – No update. We need to determine whether the AT&T lines are hot.

D. Kaminsky mentioned we will be installing speed bumps at Forsythe Park.

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OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

T. Kuhn made a motion to approve the Recommendation for Change Order #1, C. Lee Construction for \$31,843.44.

K. Cantrell seconded the motion.

Discussion: T. Kuhn pointed out that this is a minority business. T. Kuhn asked if we didn't anticipate changing the culverts.

Roll Call: K. Cantrell Ye

D. Kaminsky Yes T. Kuhn Yes R. Wojdyla Yes E. Huerta Yes

Motion approved 5-0.

PURCHASE ORDERS

D. Kaminsky 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

K. Cantrell seconded the motion.

Discussion: R. Wojdyla questioned the payment for the Hammond Yacht Club. S. Tabers

explained it was a Port Authority managed event where we used the yacht club for the bar. This purchase order is to reimburse the Yacht Club for the bar tab and bartender fees. The Port Authority has already been reimbursed to reflect the payment for the fundraiser event the Port coordinated. D. Kaminsky asked if this was also the same for the purchase order for Emerald Green. S. Tabers responded

that it was.

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

Hammond Port Authority Board Of Directors Meeting May 25, 2021

The next regular meeting of the Hammond Port Authority is scheduled for Tuesday, June 8, 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.

- D. Kaminsky made a motion to adjourn the meeting.
- T. Kuhn seconded the motion.

Motion was approved with a unanimous vote.

The May 25, 2021 Board Of Directors meeting adjourned at 4:50pm.

EXECUTIVE SESSION MEMORANDUM

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