

**HAMMOND PORT AUTHORITY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
June 14, 2022**

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT

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

OTHERS PRESENT

None

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The June 14, 2022 meeting of the Hammond Port Authority Board of Directors was called to order by Chairman Huerta at 4:32pm. Three members are present and two are attending by zoom.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

D. Kaminski made a motion to approve the minutes of May 24, 2022 as presented.

R. Wojdyla seconded the motion.

Discussion: None

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

Motion passes 4 approve, 1 abstain.

DIRECTORS REPORT

M. Kruszynski reported on the following:

This past Saturday was the Boater Appreciation Breakfast, the sail away open house and the DJ and Karaoke party on the patio. The boaters seemed to enjoy themselves.

The application for permission to have Fireworks for Venetian Night has been submitted and approved by the Board of Public Works and the Park Board of Commissioners for the City of Hammond. Applications have also been submitted to the Coast Guard and DNR. We have also published (in the Times) our intent to file an application with the Indiana DNR to receive a permit for the Fireworks.

The Permitted Boaters are as follows:

June 14, 2022 - 433 permitted boaters	77 new boaters
June 13, 2021 – 445 permitted boaters	we are down 12 boaters

The Tee Sheets are filling up quickly at Lost Marsh

The Splash Pad at Wolf Lake is open! Most of the equipment is operating safely but there are a few tweaks needed.

CHAIRMAN’S REPORT

The Executive Session of the Hammond Port Authority of June 14, 2022 began at 4:00p.m., Chairman Huerta (zoom), Vice Chairman Kaminsky, Secretary/Treasurer Cantrell, Member Wojdyla (zoom) and Member Kuhn were present. The subject matter considered were matters for the discussion of strategy with respect to:

1. Contractual Concerns.
2. 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:

Indianapolis Blvd. Screen Wall – Norfolk and Southern continues to clean their properties.

Obelisk Plaza Update – K. Smith met with John from HWC regarding the signs. There is some issue determining the coordinates for the contractor to lay out his work.

Parking Lot D – Emcor Hyre is finished. M. Kruszynski sent our NIPSCO representatives – Bart Berkowski and Alexius Barber as well as Rick Calinski an email asking for help in moving forward to complete the needed electrical work.

Amoco Park Playground – We are waiting to be put on the schedule. The contractor still needs to acquire a license.

Fire Station #2 – The Board of Public Works has approved the specs and the approval to advertise to bid. We need to take a picture to show that the meters have been pulled so NIPSCO can terminate the service.

Date Center Bulkhead Assessment Proposal by Baird & Associates Update/Discussion – There will be a project kickoff meeting Thursday June 23rd.

Wolf Lake ADA Kayak & Canoe Launch Dock Update- Awana Miller submitted the assessment June 3rd. We are still waiting on the federal funding and don't expect anything until late July.

Rip Rap Port Staff Repairs, Shoreline and Soil Boring updates – The AES representative sent the results for the soil borings. There were no problems. We will have to include this project in the budget next year.

T. Kuhn added that we continue to repair the chains on the marina docks.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

K. Cantrell made a motion to approve the Recommendation to authorize the staff to proceed and procure Quotes for three new roofs on two HPA Buildings and the Fish Cleaning Station.

T. Kuhn seconded the motion.

Discussion: T. Kuhn said it will be difficult to get materials and it will be expensive. K. Smith asked that he see a copy of the request before they go out.

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

Motion passes, 5 approve.

D. Kaminsky made a motion to approve the Pavilion Use Agreement with the Horseshoe Casino for July 26, 2022.

T. Kuhn seconded the motion.

Discussion: D. Kaminsky added that 1500 people are expected to attend and the maximum attendance will not exceed 3600.

Roll Call: K. Cantrell Yes
R. Wojdyla Yes (zoom)

D. Kaminsky Yes
T. Kuhn Yes
E. Huerta Yes (zoom)

Motion passes, 5 approve.

D. Kaminsky made a motion to approve the Pavilion Use Agreement with Compass Rose Productions for the UAW Local 551 Family Day, August 13, 2022.

R. Wojdyla seconded the motion.

Discussion: D. Kaminsky added that 1600 people are expected to attend and the maximum attendance will not exceed 3600.

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

Motion passes, 5 approve.

D. Kaminsky made a motion to approve the transfer of funds as follows:

\$150,000 from fund 628 to fund 627
\$50,000 from fund 628 to fund 629
\$200,000 from fund 628 to fund 630

T. Kuhn seconded the motion.

Discussion: None

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

Motion passes 5 approve.

T. Kuhn made a motion to approve the Recommendation to approve the 2022 Credit Card Tipping Protocol, effective beginning Saturday, June 18, 2022

K. Cantrell seconded the motion.

Discussion: K. Smith added this will amend the salary schedule to allow tips received through Credit Cards.

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

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 Trust Indiana

K. Cantrell seconded the motion.

Discussion: None.

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

Motion passes, 5 approve.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

NEXT MEETING

The next regular meeting of the Hammond Port Authority is scheduled for Tuesday, June 28, 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 June 14, 2022 Board of Directors meeting adjourned by unanimous vote at 4:47 pm.

EXECUTIVE SESSION MEMORANDUM

The Executive Session of the Hammond Port Authority of June 14, 2022 began at 4:00p.m., Chairman Huerta (zoom), Vice Chairman Kaminsky, Secretary/Treasurer Cantrell, Member Wojdyla and Member Kuhn were present. The subject matter considered were matters for:

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