

**HAMMOND PORT AUTHORITY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
August 24, 2021**

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT

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

OTHERS PRESENT

Will Wasset	Midwest Underwriting
Kathy Wasset	Midwest Underwriting

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The August 28, 2021 meeting of the Hammond Port Authority Board of Directors was called to order at 4:30pm by Chairman Huerta. All Members are present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

D. Kaminsky made a motion to approve the minutes of August 10, 2021

R. Wojdyla seconded the motion.

Discussion: None.

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

Motion passes with five in favor.

DIRECTORS REPORT

M. Kruszynski reported on the following:

Hammond Marina – With the hot weather, we are seeing a lot of the boaters, visitors and guests. On Saturday, September 4th, we will host our annual MOTOWN night. Please join us for our end-of-year the concert and fireworks.

Wolf Lake – The splash pad will be open after Labor Day through the end of September. As in the past, we will not charge an entry fee. We haven't set the hours yet, M. Kruszynski will meet with Jim Tailon to discuss.

CHAIRMANS REPORT

The Executive Session of the Hammond Port Authority of August 10, 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:

Obelisk Plaza Update: The project is in a holding pattern. We're waiting on responses from Com-Ed.

Wolf Lake Parking Lot D – Also no update. The cattle gates are constructed and we are waiting on the fencing.

Amoco Park Playground & ADA Concrete work update. – We are looking for a spring start. The Port Authority will put up a big “Coming next spring” sign!

V-dock Replacement – Construction is under way. The board is invited to tour the project prior to the next board meeting.

Main Dock bathroom options were discussed. Two of the options were on land or in a bump out over the water. M. Kruszynski spoke with people from Lakes and Rivers. They seem to be very familiar with this type of project.

T. Kuhn also brought up the need for the asphalt under the entrance bridge to be addressed.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

K. Cantrell made a motion to approve the 2022 Hammond Marina Slip Rates

R. Wojdyla seconded the motion.

Discussion: None

Roll Call K. Cantrell Yes

D. Kaminsky Yes

R. Wojdyla Yes

T. Kuhn Yes
E. Huerta Yes

Motion passes with five in favor.

K. Cantrell made a motion to allow the Freedom Boat Club to occupy 4 slips in the Hammond Marina

R. Wojdyla seconded the motion.

Discussion: M. Kruszynski added the boats are 25' boats and there are no overnight rentals. All Board members thought this was a great addition to the marina. T. Kuhn asked if they expect to expand and M. Kruszynski said they will possibly expand if the rentals go well. R. Wojdyla said this will really expand the scope of the marina.

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

Motion passes with five in favor.

D. Kaminsky made a motion to approve the rejection of all bids for the MUSCO Lighting Project at Wolf Lake Memorial Park, Parking Lot D.

K. Cantrell seconded the motion.

Discussion: D. Kaminsky added the bids were in excess of the suggest amount per the consultant. We also reserve the right to re-bid the project

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

Motion passes with five in favor.

R. Wojdyla made a motion to approve the 2021/2022 Renewal of the Commercial Property Insurance.

T. Kuhn seconded the motion.

Discussion: E. Huerta thanked W. Wallet for his efforts putting this together. W. Wallet wanted to make sure the Board approval did not include terrorism coverage. The board confirmed this. R. Wojdyla thanked W. Wallet for doing his best to keep costs under control.

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

Motion passes with five in favor.

PURCHASE ORDERS

T. Kuhn made a motion to approve the Purchase Orders as presented.

Fund 626	Marina Operations
Fund 627	Construction
Fund 628	Embarkation
Fund 630	Lost Marsh Golf Course
Fund 631	Wolf Lake
Fund 708	Payroll
Electronic Transfers and Trust Indiana	

R. Wojdyla seconded the motion.

Discussion: None.

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

Motion passes with five in favor.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

NEXT MEETING

The next regular meeting of the Hammond Port Authority is scheduled for Tuesday, September 14, 2021. 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 4:00pm, the Construction Meeting will begin at 4:15pm and The Regular meeting will begin at 4:45p.m.

The August 24, 2021 Board Of Directors meeting adjourned at 4:42pm.

EXECUTIVE SESSION MEMORANDUM

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