

**HAMMOND PORT AUTHORITY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
September 28, 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

OTHERS PRESENT

None.

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The September 28, 2021 meeting of the Hammond Port Authority Board of Directors was called to order at by Chairman Huerta. All (five) Members are present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

D. Kaminsky made a motion to approve the minutes of September 14, 2021

R. Wojdyla seconded the motion.

Discussion: None.

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

Motion passes with three in favor, two abstained.

DIRECTORS REPORT

M. Kruszynski reported on the following:

Marina – winter storage numbers are as follows: 18 on-land, 0 in water and 0 live aboard. Those numbers should increase as we get closer to the date of haul out.

Site Services was here this week cleaning and sealing the cracks in the parking lot east of the launch ramp. They will apply the surface coat later this week. This is long overdue.

The gale force winds from last week posed some problems at the marina. We experienced water leaks and electrical line breaks and when the wind shifted to the southwest, we lost one of the light poles at the west end parking lot. We will need to do an inspection on the remainder of the lots and light poles. T. Kuhn asked how the new Breakwall held up and M. Kruszynski reported wonderfully! Caleb Barth from Baird will be here later this week to inspect the Breakwall and the concrete used to fill the gaps with Keith Carey, the Harbormaster.

Lost Marsh Golf Course – Still going strong with just a little less play later in the day. The tee times are booked until 2:00pm.

Wolf Lake Memorial Park – This is the last week the splash pad is open. We will begin winterizing the splash pad next week. We are going to keep the kayaks and canoe rentals going for at least another week.

We also continue to clean the cameras at the west end of Wolf Lake. They're overcome with spiders. T. Kuhn suggested Home Defense. M. Kruszynski said we continue to address the spider issue on the docks at the marina.

M. Kruszynski asked for a moment in silence to honor Steve Sersic's brother who passed away.

CHAIRMANS REPORT

The Executive Session of the Hammond Port Authority of September 28, 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 attorneys are working with ComEd to finalize the lease.

Parking Lot D – We are waiting for the final bill with C Lee Construction.

Amoco Park Playground – Grissolia concrete has completed the pouring. We are waiting on the signed and approved Intergovernmental Agreement with the Park Department.

V-dock update – We are nearing the end of the installation and are in the process of installing the electrical and pedestals. The dock looks good.

Main Dock Boater Bathroom – Lakes and Rivers is preparing suggestions to move the bathrooms to an outlook closer to the land.

McDermott Way asphalt – update – We are waiting for spring to begin the project.

Bruce Caruso will stock Wolf Lake with walleye this November.

IDEM brought a botanist to the George Lake North Basin. They were very impressed with the healthy and diverse environment.

K. Smith added that there are issues with connecting the waterways at Powderhorn Lake, across the Indiana/Illinois boarder, south of Wolf Lake. The Mayor is concerned is will cause a problem with bio-diversity. We should definitely keep this in our sights. The City Engineer will also be involved.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

K. Cantrell made a motion to approve the Recommendation for the Adoption of Executive Order 21-34, Executive Order 21-34A and Executive Order 21-39 pertaining to the COVID-19 Outbreak. This Executive Orders conforms and provides the same Policies to the Hammond Port Authority and our employees as they pertain to the City of Hammond Employees.

D. Kaminsky seconded the motion.

Discussion: None

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

Motion passes with five in favor.

D. Kaminsky made a motion to approve the 2022 Beach Water Testing Contract with Microbac.

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 with five in favor.

PURCHASE ORDERS

R. Wojdyla made a motion to approve Purchase Orders from:

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

Electronic Transfers

D. Kaminsky seconded the motion.

Discussion: None

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

Motion passes with five in favor.

PUBLIC COMMENT

R. Wojdyla congratulated Milan Kruszynski on his well-deserved Rose Award. This award is for exemplary management and customer service. M. Kruszynski responded that this was an honor and he thoroughly enjoyed the presentation.

NEXT MEETING

The next regular meeting of the Hammond Port Authority is scheduled for Tuesday, October 12, 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 4:30p.m.

The September 28, 2021 Board Of Directors meeting adjourned at 4:45pm.

EXECUTIVE SESSION MEMORANDUM

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