

**HAMMOND PORT AUTHORITY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
November 4, 2025
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Members Present and In Person

Thomas E. Kuhn	Chairman
Rosemary Wojdyla	Vice Chairman
Diane Kaminsky	Secretary/Treasurer
Kristin Cantrell	Member
Eva Huerta	Member

Members Present Via Zoom

None.

Members Absent

None.

Hammond Port Authority Personnel Present

Niko Sullivan	Golf Course Admin/Port Authority #2
Julia Pustek	Finance Director
Ashley Gordish	Bookkeeper & Board Recording Secretary

Hammond Port Authority Personnel Present Via Zoom

Jeffery Smith	Port Authority Director
Kevin Smith	Attorney- Smith Sersic

Others Present

Jacob Parker	Indiana Foundation for Fair Contracting
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Others Present Via Zoom

None.

Call to Order and Roll Call

The November 4, 2025 meeting of the Hammond Port Authority Board of Directors was called to order by Chairman Kuhn at 4:30pm. All five members are present and in person. Chairman Kuhn, Chairman Wojdyla, Secretary/Treasurer Kaminsky, Member Cantrell, and Member Huerta are present and in person.

Chairman Kuhn called for any conflict of interest statements.

None.

Chairman Kuhn called for the approval of minutes.

E. Huerta made a motion to approve the minutes of October 21, 2025. R. Wojdyla seconded the motion.

Discussion: None.

Yes: E. Huerta, K. Cantrell, R. Wojdyla, T. Kuhn

No: None.

Abstain: D. Kaminsky

Motion passes, 4 approve, 1 abstain.

Chairman Kuhn Called for the Opening of Public Quotes for the Amoco Park Walking Trail.

Golf Course Admin & Port Authority #2 N. Sullivan stated that one quote was received for the Amoco Park Walking Trail. The quote received was from Rieth-Riley Construction in the amount of \$382,480.00. K. Smith made a request for the quote to be referred to Port Authority staff and attorneys for review.

E. Huerta made a motion to refer the received quote to the Port Authority staff and attorneys for review. R. Wojdyla seconded the motion.

Discussion: None.

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

No: None.

Motion passes, 5 approve.

Chairman Kuhn called for the Director's Report.

Golf Course Admin & Port Authority #2 N. Sullivan reported on the following:

There are still a few boats remaining in the water that are expected to be departing soon, and we only have one looper left at this time. We have started accepting deposits for the 2026 boating season, and there are currently 38 boaters with 3 new boaters signed up. Maintenance has removed the dock boxes, electric pedestals, fireboxes, and jet ski lifts from B and T docks. Most of the new accessories have been ordered for those docks. Lakes and Rivers has begun removing the docks as of today. All water service to the docks, bathrooms, and fuel dock has been turned off. Preparations for winterizing the docks are underway. The Clipper Room continues to stay busy with events being booked through the remainder of the year. The Splash Pad is closed for the season. Water has been shut off, lines have been blown out, and Mike continues to keep an eye on the building. Raquel is still working on getting bands together for next year's Pavilion Summer Concert Series. We should have a report with all of the bands soon. Lost Marsh Golf Course is winding down. The Annual Chili Open was held on Sunday, October 26th, and the event was sold out! Unfortunately, the marina's chili did not win. Maintenance staff will start blowing out the irrigation lines tomorrow. A closing date has not been decided on just yet, but the golf course will be closed before Thanksgiving. Mike and Wolf Lake staff continue to cut

down low hanging branches around the parks. The mowers are going to stay out longer this year to mulch and clean up the fallen leaves. The Amoco Park walking trail is expected to be completed this year or first thing in the spring.

Chairman Kuhn presented the Chairman's Report.

The Executive Session of the Hammond Port Authority of November 4, 2025 began at 4:00p.m. Chairman Kuhn, Vice Chairman Wojdyla, Secretary/Treasurer Kaminsky, and Member Cantrell are present and in person. Member Huerta is present via Zoom. Four members are present and in person, and one member is present via Zoom. 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.

Chairman Kuhn called for the Construction Projects Updates.

Chairman and Construction Committee Chairman Kuhn reported on the following:

Amoco Park Walking Trail- The received quote will be reviewed by staff and attorneys.

Fuel Dock UST- Staff recommends waiting until fall 2026 to install new underground fuel storage tanks.

B & T Dock Replacement- Lakes and Rivers started dock removal today.

Additional Items

- We are working towards planning out a community garden near the Wolf Lake Conservatory. Paul Labus volunteered to help out with the project.
- There is a 6 month window to auction boats. We are going to start to work on this so we can auction the abandoned boats in the parking lot come spring.
- Stantec is close to finishing up the field work for the season. Upon completion, we will have the final report and invoice.
- We received one quote for the fence at Forsythe Park. We are waiting on another quote to come in.

Chairman Kuhn called for Old Business.

There was no old business to discuss.

Chairman Kuhn called for New Business.

K. Cantrell made a motion to approve resolution 25-07 respecting 2026 assumption of 3%

mandatory contribution for participating employees who are members of PERF. D. Kaminsky seconded the motion.

Discussion: T. Kuhn added that this is a resolution that is approved annually. K. Smith mentioned that he and J. Pustek discussed this resolution with the Hammond City Controller Megan Flores, and she voiced her approval of the resolution as well.

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

No: None.

Motion passes, 5 approve.

E. Huerta made a motion to approve resolution 25-08 authorizing entering into an intergovernmental agreement with City of Hammond Board of Public Works and Safety regarding contributing towards design contract for US 41 screen wall. K. Cantrell seconded the motion.

Discussion: T. Kuhn added that the Port Authority would be responsible for \$100,000.00. The work is along the railroad tracks that follow Indianapolis Boulevard.

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

No: None.

Motion passes, 5 approve.

D. Kaminsky made a motion to approve the authorization to proceed and procure quotes for a new pickup truck for the Port Authority. E. Huerta seconded the motion.

Discussion: None.

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

No: None.

Motion passes, 5 approve.

Chairman Kuhn called for the approval of Purchase Orders.

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

- 626 – Marina Operations
- 628 – Embarkation
- 630 – Lost Marsh Golf Course
- 631 – Parks
- 633 – RDA Project
- 634 – Marina Construction
- 708 – Payroll
- Electronic Transfers

D. Kaminsky seconded the motion.

Discussion: None.

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

No: None.

Motion passes, 5 approve.

Chairman Kuhn called for Public Comment.

None.

Chairman Kuhn announced the Next Meeting.

The next regular meeting of the Hammond Port Authority is scheduled for Tuesday, November 18, 2025. These meetings 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.

Chairman Kuhn called for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

R. Wojdyla made a motion to adjourn the meeting. D. Kaminsky seconded the motion.

Discussion: None.

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

No: None.

Motion passes, 5 approve.

The November 4, 2025 Board of Directors meeting adjourned at 4:40pm.

EXECUTIVE SESSION MEMORANDUM

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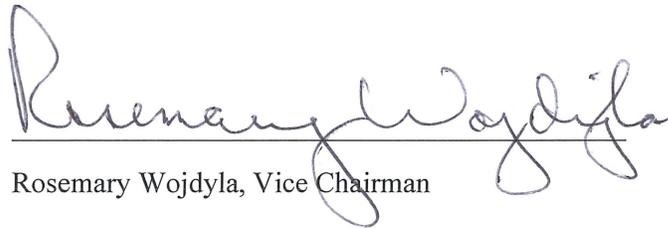
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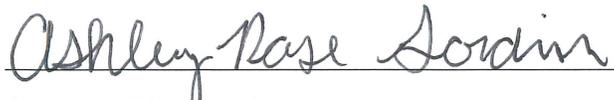


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ATTEST:



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