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HAMMOND SANITARY DISTRICT
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING
AUGUST 15, 2017
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The Board of Sanitary Commissioners of the Sanitary District of Hammond, Lake County, Indiana held a regular meeting at 4:24 p.m. in the Conference Room of the Administration Building located at 5143 Columbia Avenue, Hammond, Indiana.

President Button called the meeting to order at 4:24 p.m. He stated that the Board held an Executive Session prior to meeting to discuss personnel and litigation matters in accordance with Indiana Codes.

Commissioners Present: Button, Dimopoulos, Hawkins, Moore

Commissioners Absent: Dye

District Personnel: Marty Wielgos, District Manager
Rachel Montes, Business Manager
Joe Allegretti, Attorney
Jeff Massey, HSD
Becky McKinley, GIS
Jack Smith, Sewer Department
Mark Kolisz, Sewer Department
Jim Alms, Sewer Department
Don Woodard, HSD
John Devine, HSD
Kaleigh Boyle, HSD

Others Present: Mike Hickey, AB&H Donohue
Dennis Benoit, HRC
Anton Petrashevich, Town of Munster
David Nellans, Munster Town Council
Chris Spolnic, Town of Munster

The meeting started with the Pledge of Allegiance.

President Button stated that the first order of business was the consideration of the July 25, 2017 Board Meeting Minutes.

Dimopoulos moved and Hawkins seconded to approve the July 25, 2017 Board Meeting Minutes.

Ayes: Button, Dimopoulos, Hawkins, Moore
Nays: None
Motion carried 4-0. A copy of the July 25, 2017 Board Meeting Minutes are attached to and made a part of these minutes.
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District Manager’s Report
District Manager, Marty Wielgos, stated that he did not have anything to add today unless anybody has any questions for him.

PERSONNEL REPORT
There was no personnel report.

FINANCIAL REPORT
Business Manager, Rachel Montes, wanted to highlight that all of the bills are up to date. Other than that, she will take any questions.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS
Safety Report
President Button asked if there was no safety report this meeting.

Don Woodard responded that he should have told them that he has new software and he is still import all of his information from the old software to the new software, so that is why he has not had a report. He is having a lot of issues with it.

President Button asked if he needs any help from the vendor.

Don answered that no he does not because Bob is helping him.

President Button verified that he will get them caught up.

Don replied that he is hoping by next month he will be able to have everything done to update the board.

GIS Report
Becky McKinley stated that she had nothing to highlight, but would answer any questions. She did note that she included the letter regarding LiDar for the six-inch ortho photography.

Sewer Maintenance Report
Jack Smith stated that Gatlin Plumbing will be over in the 1500 Block of Myrtle tomorrow to retap the 1502 and 1503 and then on Thursday they will finish making that tap into the manhole on 115th.

President Button asked if there was any progress on the Columbia Avenue pipeline. We had a leak on the—

Jack replied that he left that in President Button’s and Mike Hickey’s hands.
CONSULTANTS REPORTS
The Board considered the AB&H Consultant Report
Mike Hickey stated that they should have a copy of his status report. On item 1 (A1) under current activities, they prepared the Quarterly Report No. 1 for the Consent Decree. He did not have a signed copy or he would have attached it, but it was signed after he sent report over. He did pass that out before the meeting though so all commissioner should have received one. Other than that, he will take any questions.

President Button asked about the updated 1999 consent decree. He asked if he will eventually have a closure report.

Mike Hickey replied that maybe Joe could help him, but Jennifer is on vacation this month and had asked for some report to close the 1999 decree and Max is in the process and will submit it this month to Jennifer. Once it is submitted, we will have it.

President Button clarified that we will no longer be reporting on the 1999 decree.

Mike Hickey answered that is correct because it will be closed.

President Button asked if he had an update on the Long Term Control Plan.

Mike Hickey responded that there is a new alternative being looked at so they will sit down and figure out how to proceed with that.

RESOLUTIONS
The Board considered Resolution No. 39-2017: RE: A Resolution by the Board of Sanitary Commissioners of the Sanitary District of Hammond, Lake County, Indiana Authorizing David W. Westland to Execute Closing Documents Concerning the Purchase of Real Estate by the Hammond Sanitary District.

Moore moved and Dimopoulos seconded to approve Resolution No. 39-2017.

Ayes: Button, Dimopoulos, Hawkins, Moore
Nays: None
Motion carried 4-0. A copy of Resolution 39-2017 is attached to and made a part of these minutes.

The Board considered Resolution No. 40-2017: RE: A Resolution by the Board of Sanitary Commissioners of the Sanitary District of Hammond, Lake County, Indiana for Non-SRF Eligible Engineering Assistance.

Hawkins moved and Dimopoulos seconded to approve Resolution No. 40-2017.
Ayes: Button, Dimopoulos, Hawkins, Moore
Nays: None
Motion carried 4-0. A copy of Resolution 40-2017 is attached to and made a part of these minutes.

The Board considered the Bank Reconciliation for July 31, 2017.

Dimopoulos moved and Moore seconded to approve the Bank Reconciliation for July 31, 2017.

Ayes: Button, Dimopoulos, Hawkins, Moore
Nays: None
Motion carried 4-0. A copy of the July 31, 2017 Bank Reconciliation is attached to and made a part of these minutes.

The Board considered the Claims Approval Docket 08-15-17.

President Button noted that the commissioners should have received a revised claims approval docket at the meeting.

Hawkins moved and Dimopoulos seconded for the approval of the Claims Approval Docket 08-15-17.

Ayes: Button, Dimopoulos, Hawkins, Moore
Nays: None
Motion carried 4-0. A copy of the Claims Approval Docket 08-15-17 is attached to and made a part of these minutes.

President Button called for Old Business
Marty Wielgos asked Jeff Massey to give the board an idea of when the rates (Munster and Hammond have both passed the rate increase) will go into effect.

Jeff explained that they have started working with the industrial users starting now with a half month rate so they started seeing the rate starting with July 19th so they have 19 days of July at the old rate and the other half at the new rate. The City of Hammond started using the rate as of July 15th so they started reading meters and will start reading meters today for commercial users for the monthly meter reading so they should get those meter readings now and start bills for those. Then next month at this time for the bimonthly users and then we should start seeing money roll in. Munster is using the same July 15th date as a start date for their bimonthly users. We should see the full effect within two months.
Presidnet Button asked if there is any coordination that needs to be done with the water Department to make sure the rates are correct.

Jeff answered that they have done test runs on it and it is all good.

President Button called for New Business
There was no new business.

President Button called for Reports from Commissioners
President Button wanted to welcome Pat Moore to the board and thank Matt Muta for his service and congratulate him on his new position at the Sanitary District.

President Button called for Public Expression
There was no public expression.

President Button called for a motion to adjourn the meeting

Dimopoulos moved and Moore seconded for adjournment.

Ayes: Button, Dimopoulos, Hawkins, Moore
Nays: None
Motion carried 4-0. The meeting was adjourned at 4:32 p.m.