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HAMMOND SANITARY DISTRICT
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING
AUGUST 14, 2018
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The Board of Sanitary Commissioners of the Sanitary District of Hammond, Lake County, Indiana held a regular meeting at 4:08 p.m. in the Conference Room of the Administration Building located at 5143 Columbia Avenue, Hammond, Indiana.

Vice-President Dye called the meeting to order at 4:08 p.m. He stated that the Board held an Executive Session at 3:45 p.m. to discuss personnel and litigation matters in accordance with Indiana Codes.

Commissioners Present: Button, Dye, Hawkins, Moore

Commissioners Absent: Dimopoulos

District Personnel: Marty Wielgos, District Manager
Matthew Muta, Deputy District Manager
Rachel Montes, Business Manager
Joe Allegretti, Attorney
Jeff Massey, HSD
Donald Woodard, HSD
Rick Sutton, HSD
Becky McKinley, GIS
Jack Smith, Sewer Department
Kaleigh Boyle, HSD
Shannon Ferguson, HSD
Jonathan Albers, HSD

Others Present: Mike Hickey, AB&H Donohue
David Nellans, Munster Town Council

The meeting started with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Vice-President Dye stated that the first order of business was the adoption of the amended agenda for the meeting due to the Revised Claims Docket.

Button moved and Moore seconded to approve the amended agenda.

Ayes: Button, Dye, Hawkins, Moore
Nays: None
Motion carried 4-0.
Vice-President Dye stated that the next order of business was the consideration of the July 24, 2018 Board Meeting Minutes.

Button moved and Hawkins seconded to approve the July 24, 2018 Board Meeting Minutes.

Ayes: Button, Dye, Hawkins, Moore
Nays: None
Mtion carried 4-0. A copy of the July 24, 2018 Board Meeting Minutes are attached to and made a part of these minutes.

District Manager’s Report
District Manager, Marty Wielgos, stated that Mr. Sutton has indicated to him that we should have something late fall as far as a possible being able to go out for bids for the Headworks project, so we are all looking forward to that. There is 11.5 million dollars already secured in the bank so he is excited about that. He also mentioned in the executive session and now will announce in the regular session that Mr. Sutton came to him about a week ago and indicated that he is going to be retiring. With much chagrin, we hate to see him do that, but he has indicated to him that he is ready to do that. He asked Rick to take a few seconds to comment.

Rick commented that he is so grateful for employment from the City of Hammond for all of these years. Hammond will always, believe it or not, have a special place in his heart.

Commissioner Button thanked Rick for his wonderful service.

Rick thanked the Board for all of their support.

Marty stated that the only other thing and since Rick already has the floor, he asked Rick to give an update now that the Munster project is being wrapped up.

Rick explained that they finished paving the force main repair on the Twin Creek job that we have been speaking about for so many months now. We replaced about 6000 feet of pipe. This is the pipe that has broke nearly a dozen times since February 25th so they are relieved to have to it done. To date, they have spent about $400,000 on the repairs and they’ve spent just about 1.2 million total on the project so they are at about $800,000 on the new installation. They still have a few bills to go through and some landscape restorations to do on areas that were tore up. They will try to complete that within a month and then the total bill for that project will run about 1.5 million. This is not counting all of the regular maintenance that is done at the Twin Creek pump station. This is a huge gouge out of our O&M budget for the year.

PERSONNEL REPORT
There was no personnel report.
FINANCIAL REPORT
Business Manager, Rachel Montes, stated that she would take any questions, but did not have anything to highlight.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS
Vice-President Dye asked if anyone had any highlights or questions on any of the department reports today.

Safety Report
No highlights or questions on the Safety report.

GIS Report
No highlights or questions on GIS report.

Sewer Maintenance Report
No highlights or questions on Sewer report.

CONSULTANTS REPORTS
The Board considered the AB&H Consultant Report
Mike Hickey stated that the board should all have a copy of his status report. He did pass out some correspondence that went out for them to have copies of also. There are four letters there. A few things that were submitted to the EPA regarding the Consent Decree, SORP (Sewer Overflow Response Plan), and the EPA had some questions so they answered those and submitted them last week. The Post-Construction Monitoring Recalibration Report was submitted last week and they have these quarterly reports that are due every three months so that was all submitted. He just wanted to get them a copy of all that. In regards to the Long Term Control Plan, they are working with the EPA and IDEM and company to get together a protocol for the pilot testing. He would be happy to take any questions.

Commissioner Button asked if that is for the South—

Mike Hickey responded that is right- the cloth media disc filters.

RESOLUTIONS
The Board considered Resolution No. 27-2018: RE: A Resolution Authorizing Execution of a Release and Termination of Easement to Accommodate the Resubdivision of Robertsdale Industrial Park.

Button moved and Moore seconded to approve Resolution No. 27-2018.
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Commissioner Button commented that they had asked Sam to sign in advance and this is ratifying that signature. The blanket easement needed to be released from the Planner’s Office in order to sell lots.

Ayes: Button, Dye, Hawkins, Moore
Nays: None
Motion carried 4-0. Resolution No. 27-2018 is attached to and made a part of these minutes.

The Board considered Resolution No. 28-2018: RE: A Resolution by the Board of Sanitary Commissioners of the Sanitary District of Hammond, Lake County, Indiana for Consent Decree Services.

Button moved and Moore seconded to approve Resolution No. 28-2018.

Ayes: Button, Dye, Hawkins, Moore
Nays: None
Motion carried 4-0. Resolution No. 28-2018 is attached to and made a part of these minutes.

The Board considered the Bank Reconciliation for July 31, 2018.

Button moved and Hawkins seconded for the approval of the Bank Reconciliation for July 31, 2018.

Ayes: Button, Dye, Hawkins, Moore
Nays: None
Motion carried 4-0. A copy of the Bank Reconciliation for July 31, 2018 is attached to and made a part of these minutes.

The Board considered the Revised Claims Approval Docket 08-14-18.

Button moved and Hawkins seconded for the approval of the Revised Claims Approval Docket 08-14-18.

Ayes: Button, Dye, Hawkins, Moore
Nays: None
Motion carried 4-0. A copy of the Revised Claims Approval Docket 08-14-18 is attached to and made a part of these minutes.

Vice-President Dye called for Old Business
There was no old business.
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Vice-President Dye called for New Business
Marty stated that he just wanted to acknowledge that we have Councilman Nellans here from the Town of Munster. He had invited about eleven of our staff members to the Lions Club that he is a member of- they had their steak and chicken fry this past Sunday. All of us eleven attended and it was really very nice, well organized and they treated us like family there. It was really a nice time and we all enjoyed it so he just wanted to thank Councilman Nellans. It was very kind of him.

Councilman Nellans replied that they appreciated us being there. He thinks that it is a good event, good venue and he wanted to share.

Vice-President Dye called for Reports from Commissioners
Commissioner Hawkins commented that the force main project in Munster and all of the leaks and all of the stuff that happened for many months, he just wants to comment that it was a pleasure having Rick Sutton work on this project. He did what he said he would on this project all the way through. The streets are paved and striped already. He said that is what he was going to do that first day that they met at Public Works in the no suits meeting and that is what he did. Problems along the way, he communicated. He did not know Rick Sutton had a cell phone, he did not know that Rick Sutton text, but he did text the Commissioner and other people in the Town. He worked really well and nicely with people in the Town so he just wanted to let Rick know that it was a pleasure. It really was. Thank you.

Vice-President Dye called for Public Expression
There was no public expression.

Vice-President Dye called for a motion to adjourn the meeting

Button moved and Moore seconded for adjournment.

Ayes: Button, Dye, Hawkins, Moore
Nays: None
Motion carried 4-0. The meeting was adjourned at 4:17 p.m.
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Sam Dimopoulos, President

Michael Dye, Vice-President

Dean Button, PE, Member

Michael Hawkins, Sr., Member

Patrick D. Moore, Member

ATTEST:  
Rachel Montes, Secretary
Kaleigh Boyle, Assistant Secretary

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