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HAMMOND SANITARY DISTRICT
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING
JUNE 16, 2020
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The Board of Sanitary Commissioners of the Sanitary District of Hammond, Lake County, Indiana held a regular meeting at 4:03 p.m. in the Conference Room of the Administration Building located at 5143 Columbia Avenue, Hammond, Indiana.

President Dimopoulos called the meeting to order at 4:03 p.m. He stated that the Board held an Executive Session prior to the meeting to discuss personnel and litigation matters in accordance with Indiana Codes.

Commissioners Present: Dimopoulos, Dye, Hawkins, Miller, Moore

Commissioners Absent: N/A

District Personnel: Marty Wielgos, District Manager
Matthew Muta, Deputy District Manager
Joseph Allegretti, HSD Attorney
Rachel Montes, Business Manager
Jeffrey Massey, HSD
Jim Alms, Sewer Department
Kaleigh Boyle, HSD

Others Present: Mike Hickey, MJHY LLC
Natalie Cook, AB&H Donohue

President Dimopoulos stated that the first order of business was the consideration of the May 26, 2020 Board Meeting Minutes.

Dye **moved** and Miller **seconded** to approve the May 26, 2020 Board Meeting Minutes.

Ayes: Dimopoulos, Dye, Hawkins, Miller, Moore

Nays: None

Motion **carried** 5-0.

District Manager's Report

District Manager, Marty Wielgos, stated that the only thing he has and as they talked about in the executive session is that he wants to say he is very proud of all of the employees of the District and the Sewer Department. When they were needed, they stepped up to the plate during this horrible flood that we had and he did not hear one complaint from any of them. Many of Jack's guys put in well over 16 hours a day because they wanted to get those inspections done right away. Owana has been here now already three weeks and she has her staff and they're pumping these applications and meetings with folks as quickly as they can along with a variety of other people here in this building. He just wanted to say that when he needed them, they became their best at a

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time that was extremely difficult. Residents were very upset, but they were still out there. He just wanted to thank them and let the Board know exactly what they did.

PERSONNEL REPORT

President Dimopoulos stated that in the Board's amended agenda they did receive a Personnel Report.

Dye **moved** and Moore **seconded** to approve the Personnel Report.

Ayes: Dimopoulos, Dye, Hawkins, Miller, Moore
Nays: None
Motion **carried** 5-0.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Business Manager, Rachel Montes, stated that she had nothing to highlight, but would take any questions.

Marty added that they talk about Cargill and now that Jeff has graced them with some good numbers from Cargill the last couple of months. He asked Jeff what their numbers have been.

Jeff answered that for May it is about \$365,000 and the month before that it was over \$500,000.

Marty said and over \$600,000 the month before that. He just wants the Board to know that because those are very big numbers from one business entity, but those numbers are going to go down.

Jeff replied that they are going to go down. They were having problems with their system so they were going to us. Now, they are trying to get their stuff fixed so they should come back down.

Marty responded that it will be coming back down to normal, but those numbers helped us when we needed it the most, so he just wanted the Board to know that.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Safety Report

Nothing to highlight.

GIS Report

Nothing to highlight.

Sewer Maintenance Report

Nothing to highlight.

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CONSULTANT REPORTS

MJHY

Mike Hickey stated that they should have a copy of his status report. He would like to highlight the Long-Term Control Plan. He reported previously on April 3rd, that EPA commented on the Long-Term Control Plan. They submitted a response on June 3rd and they are reviewing it. They have a meeting next week because one of the chapters in the Long-Term Control Plan is a financial capability assessment (chapter 9) and they have a scheduled meeting with EPA next week to discuss that chapter. Everything is moving forward, but he just wanted to report that.

DONOHUE

Natalie Cook stated that they have a status report from them as well and they have been working with Mike on the responses for the Long-Term Control Plan. She has nothing else to highlight, but she could take any questions.

RESOLUTIONS

The Board considered Resolution No. 15-2020: RE: A Resolution Authorizing the Sanitary District of the City of Hammond, Indiana to Make Temporary Loans to Meet Current Running Expenses for the Use of the Debt Service Fund of the Issuer, in Anticipation of and Not in Excess of Current Taxes Levied in the Year 2019, and Collectable in the Year 2020; Authorizing the Issuance of Temporary Loan Tax Anticipation Warrants to Evidence Such Loans and the Sale of Such Warrants to the Hammond Local Public Improvement Bond Bank; and Appropriating and Pledging the Taxes to be Received in Such Fund to the Punctual Payment of Such Warrants Including the Interest Thereon.

Dye **moved** and Miller **seconded** to approve Resolution No. 15-2020.

Ayes: Dimopoulos, Dye, Hawkins, Miller, Moore

Nays: None

Motion **carried** 5-0.

The Board considered Resolution No. 16-2020: RE: A Resolution of the Board of Sanitary Commissioners of the Hammond Sanitary District Approving and Authorizing a Revolving Line of One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000) and Designating Signatories for Storm Water Damage Relief Fund Deposits.

Dye **moved** and Hawkins **seconded** to approve Resolution No. 16-2020.

Ayes: Dimopoulos, Dye, Hawkins, Miller, Moore

Nays: None

Motion **carried** 5-0.

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The Board considered the Bank Reconciliation Document dated May 31, 2020.

Moore **moved** and Miller **seconded** for the approval of the Bank Reconciliation Document dated May 31, 2020.

Ayes: Dimopoulos, Dye, Hawkins, Miller, Moore

Nays: None

Motion **carried** 5-0.

The Board considered the Claims Approval Docket 06-16-20.

Moore **moved** and Hawkins **seconded** for the approval of the Claims Approval Docket 06-16-20.

Ayes: Dimopoulos, Dye, Hawkins, Miller, Moore

Nays: None

Motion **carried** 5-0.

President Dimopoulos called for Old Business

There was not any old business.

President Dimopoulos called for New Business

There was not any new business.

President Dimopoulos called for Reports from Commissioners

Commissioner Miller thanked Marty and his entire staff for stepping up into their world, dealing with people all the time on a daily basis, but especially the guys. They have really stepped into their role as case managers in addition to what they do on a daily basis, so she wants to thank them all for doing an excellent job. When Marty said he had some more warm bodies for her and the three men walked in, she was surprised, but they are doing an excellent job. There is still a way to go. She and Rachel have been working very closely together on making sure they are keeping everything in line, so it is a lot, but they are doing it.

President Dimopoulos called for Public Expression

There was no public expression.

President Dimopoulos called for a motion to adjourn the meeting

Dye **moved** and Moore **seconded** for adjournment.

Ayes: Dimopoulos, Dye, Hawkins, Miller, Moore

Nays: None

Motion **carried** 5-0. The meeting was adjourned at 4:11 p.m.

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Sam Dimopoulos, President



Michael Dye, Vice-President




Michael Hawkins, Sr., Member



Owana Miller, Member



Patrick D. Moore, Member

ATTEST: 

Rachel Montes, Secretary

Kaleigh Boyle, Assistant Secretary

Board Minutes Prepared By: Kaleigh Boyle