

MINUTES
HAMMOND SANITARY DISTRICT
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING
NOVEMBER 28, 2017
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The Board of Sanitary Commissioners of the Sanitary District of Hammond, Lake County, Indiana held a regular meeting at 4:53 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 4:53 p.m. He stated that the Board held an Executive Session from 3:45 p.m. until 4:50 p.m. to discuss personnel and possible litigation in accordance with Indiana codes.

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

Commissioners Absent: N/A

District Personnel: Marty Wielgos, District Manager
Matthew Muta, Deputy District Manager
Rachel Montes, Business Manager
Joe Allegretti, Attorney
Don Woodard, HSD
Jeff Massey, HSD
Rick Sutton, HSD
Jack Smith, Sewer Department
Rebecca McKinley, GIS Department
Kaleigh Boyle, HSD

Others Present: Mike Hickey, AB&H Donohue
Dennis Benoit, HRC
David Wickland, Munster (Executive Session Only)
John Reed, Munster (Executive Session Only)

The meeting started with the Pledge of Allegiance.

President Button stated that the first order of business was the consideration of the November 14, 2017 Board Meeting Minutes.

Dye **moved** and Moore **seconded** to approve the November 14, 2017 Board Meeting Minutes.

Ayes: Button, Dye, Hawkins, Moore

Nays: None

Motion **carried** 4-0. A copy of the November 14, 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 report at this time.

PERSONNEL REPORT

There was no personnel report.

RESOLUTIONS

The Board considered Resolution No. 53-2017: RE: A Resolution by the Board of Sanitary Commissioners of the Sanitary District of Hammond, Lake County, Indiana Authorizing Engineering Design Services for the LTCP Initial Three Projects Including Headworks Improvements, Columbia Ave. Basin Expansion and Southside Pump Station Capacity Increase.

Dye **moved** and Dimopoulos **seconded** to approve Resolution No. 53-2017.

Ayes: Button, Dimopoulos, Dye, Hawkins, Moore

Nays: None

Motion **carried** 5-0. A copy of Resolution 53-2017 is attached to and made a part of these minutes.

The Board considered Resolution No. 54-2017: 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 General Fund, Debt Service Fund, and the Exempt Debt Service Fund of the Issuer, in Anticipation of and Not in Excess of Current Taxes Levied in the Year 2017, and Collectable in the Year 2018; 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 Funds to the Punctual Payment of Such Warrants Including the Interest Thereon.

Dye **moved** and Moore **seconded** to approve Resolution No. 54-2017.

Ayes: Button, Dimopoulos, Dye, Hawkins, Moore

Nays: None

Motion **carried** 5-0. A copy of Resolution 54-2017 is attached to and made a part of these minutes.

The Board considered Resolution No. 55-2017: RE: A Resolution by the Board of Sanitary Commissioners of the Sanitary District of Hammond, Lake County, Indiana for Non SRF Eligible Engineering Assistance.

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Dimopoulos **moved** and Moore **seconded** to approve Resolution No. 55-2017.

Ayes: Button, Dimopoulos, Dye, Hawkins, Moore

Nays: None

Motion **carried** 5-0. A copy of Resolution 55-2017 is attached to and made a part of these minutes.

The Board considered the Claims Approval Docket 11-28-17.

Dye **moved** and Hawkins **seconded** to approve Claims Approval Docket 11-28-17.

Ayes: Button, Dimopoulos, Dye, Hawkins, Moore

Nays: None

Motion **carried** 5-0. A copy of Claims Approval Docket 11-28-17 is attached to and made a part of these minutes.

President Button called for Old Business

Commissioner Hawkins stated that at the last meeting we discussed the report that Joe Allegretti sent out for the District in regards to Dyer Road and the August 7th incident. As a follow up, it was discussed about having a report from the Town of Munster in regards to the same incident or Munster's investigation report which he wants to pass out. He got it right before the meeting when he was coming here and he has it in volume (he has a copy for everybody).

Commissioner Dimopoulos commented that reports are going to go to staff. He could leave them here and they can review as a body, but he is not going to make this a public document to go out to anybody. We do not even know what it is on this yet- we are just looking at it for the first time. We are not passing out anything to anybody.

President Button agreed that this should not be part of the distribution during the Sanitary District public meeting.

Commissioner Dimopoulos explained that this has not been reviewed, this has not been looked at- we are not passing this out to anybody.

Commissioner Hawkins replied that he was passing this out to the Board and Marty as staff.

President Button stated that this is not a public document.

Commissioner Dimopoulos responded that is correct. This is not a public document and should not be passed out at this meeting. The information can be shared with the District Manager outside of this meeting and then it can be presented to us after it is reviewed. It cannot be passed out as a document for this meeting right now.

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Commissioner Hawkins replied that he can do what he wishes with it. It was discussed and he brought it. If somebody wants this, it is available and that is all he can say.

President Button thanked Commissioner Hawkins, but has to agree that this puts us in a precarious situation if it is distributed at this time.

Commissioner Moore added that it should be reviewed by Marty and his staff—

Commissioner Dimopoulos repeated and then staff can tell the Board what they think about it.

President Button called for New Business

President Button stated that the Board should have two additional resolutions.

The Board considered Resolution No. 56-2017: RE: Resolution of the Board of Sanitary Commissioners of the Hammond Sanitary District Confirming the Selection of Mesirow Financial, Inc. as Underwriter/Placement Agent Regarding the Proposed Issuance of Special Taxing District Refunding Bonds and Authorizing Execution of a Letter of Intent.

Dye moved and Moore seconded to approve Resolution No. 56-2017.

President Button explained that his understanding is that this is a result of a refinance of existing bonds.

Ayes: Button, Dimopoulos, Dye, Hawkins, Moore

Nays: None

Motion carried 5-0. A copy of Resolution 56-2017 is attached to and made a part of these minutes.

The Board considered Resolution No. 57-2017: RE: A Resolution by the Board of Sanitary Commissioners of the Sanitary District of Hammond, Lake County, Indiana Authorizing a Lease Agreement to Finance the Purchase of a New Vector Truck for the Sewer Maintenance Department.

Moore moved and Dimopoulos seconded to approve Resolution No. 57-2017.

Ayes: Button, Dimopoulos, Dye, Hawkins, Moore

Nays: None

Motion carried 5-0. A copy of Resolution 57-2017 is attached to and made a part of these minutes.

President Button stated that the last item that he has for new business is that he will entertain a motion to cancel the December 26, 2017 board meeting.

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Dye moved and Dimopoulos seconded to cancel the December 26, 2017 board meeting.

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

President Button called for Reports from Commissioners
There were no reports from commissioners.

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

President Button called for a motion to adjourn the meeting

Dye moved and Dimopoulos seconded for adjournment.

Ayes: Button, Dimopoulos, Dye, Hawkins, Moore
Nays: None
Motion carried 5-0. The meeting was adjourned at 5:02 p.m.



Dean Button, PE, President



Michael Dye, Vice-President



Michael Hawkins, Sr., Member



Sam Dimopoulos, Member



Patrick Moore, Member

ATTEST:



Rachel Montes, Secretary
Kaleigh Boyle, Assistant Secretary

Board Minutes Prepared By: Kaleigh Boyle