

MINUTES
HAMMOND SANITARY DISTRICT
BOARD OF COMMISSISONERS MEETING
MARCH 23, 2021
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The Board of Sanitary Commissioners of the Sanitary District of Hammond, Lake County, Indiana held a regular meeting at 4:00 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 4:00 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

Commissioners Present Remotely: Garay, Hawkins

Commissioners Absent: Dye, Miller

District Personnel Present: Marty Wielgos, Chief Executive Officer
Joseph Allegretti, HSD Attorney
Rachel Montes, Business Manager
Jeffrey Massey, HSD
Kaleigh Boyle, HSD

District Personnel Present Remotely: Matthew Muta, Deputy District Manager
Robert Szczudlo, HSD
Dan Zander, HSD
Jim Alms, Sewer Department
Rebecca McKinley, GIS Department

Others Present Remotely: Mike Hickey, MJHY, LLC

There was a roll call of attendees for the meeting to be documented in the minutes.

The same rules and guidelines will apply as previous meetings. Before somebody makes a statement/motion, they need to state their name so they know who is talking. There will be roll call votes on everything.

President Dimopoulos stated that he would entertain a motion that he as Board President has the authority to sign all documents today on behalf of the Board.

Garay **moved** and Hawkins **seconded** to give Board President, Sam Dimopoulos, authority to sign all documents on behalf of the Board.

Ayes: Dimopoulos, Garay, Hawkins

Nays: None

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Motion **carried** 3-0.

President Dimopoulos stated that the next order of business is the consideration of the March 9, 2021 Board Meeting Minutes.

Hawkins **moved** and Garay **seconded** to approve the March 9, 2021 Board Meeting Minutes.

Ayes: Dimopoulos, Garay, Hawkins

Nays: None

Motion **carried** 3-0.

Chief Executive Officer's Report

Chief Executive Officer, Marty Wielgos, stated that it has kind of been a quiet few weeks since the last Board meeting. He really has nothing new to report. As of this meeting, they are still working on getting estimates from various contractors for the work that needs to be done on that force main off of Kennedy Avenue underneath the railroad tracks. He started to hear a few things last week that sounded maybe a little bit promising as far as that the cost could possibly come down if done a certain way if the railroad would agree to a certain repair. They are looking at all options- the one that is going to work and one that is going to be the least expensive. He knows Jeff Massey and Dan Zander are on top of that and they are keeping him updated, so he will keep the Board updated. Other than that, he has nothing else to report, but will take any questions from the Commissioners that they may have.

PERSONNEL REPORT

There was no Personnel Report.

CONSULTANT REPORTS

MJHY, LLC

Mike Hickey stated that on the Long-Term Control Plan update, last Wednesday (March 17th) they received partial approval of the Long-Term Control Plan from the EPA. He kind of mentioned it and thought that it would be coming. They gave some questions and comments that they wanted them to address in January and they are virtually identical to what came in the March 17th letter, so this is good news. They will be working on those comments. The approval is conditional to them answering the comments. It does not include the FCA which is still being reviewed. He is happy to answer any questions.

The Board considered the Claims Approval Docket 03-23-21.

Hawkins **moved** and Garay **seconded** for the approval of the Claims Approval Docket 03-23-21.

Ayes: Dimopoulos, Garay, Hawkins

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Nays: None
Motion **carried** 3-0.

President Dimopoulos called for Old Business

CEO, Marty Wielgos, said that he did have a question since they sent the bill out for Diana Hamilton (Sycamore Advisors) to all of the Commissioners. He would like to see if he could get approval from the Board to go ahead and pay that so they do not wait another three weeks until the next Board meeting.

President Dimopoulos reiterated that they have the invoice from Sycamore and asked for a motion to approve payment for that so they do not wait until the next meeting which is in three weeks.

Hawkins **moved** and Garay **seconded** for the approval of the payment as per the submitted information from Sycamore Advisors and in addition that they contact Sycamore Advisors and ask them to submit more timely payments in the future.

Marty responded that he would like to add that he talked to Attorney Allegretti and he is going to put a letter together that they are going to send to Sycamore telling them very clearly what they are requiring as far as billing and how it needs to be done.

Ayes: Dimopoulos, Garay, Hawkins
Nays: None
Motion **carried** 3-0.

President Dimopoulos called for New Business

There was not any new business to discuss.

President Dimopoulos called for Reports from Commissioners

There were no reports from Commissioners.

President Dimopoulos called for Public Expression

There was no Public Expression.

President Dimopoulos called for a motion to adjourn the meeting

Hawkins **moved** and Garay **seconded** for adjournment.

Ayes: Dimopoulos, Garay, Hawkins
Nays: None
Motion **carried** 3-0. The meeting was adjourned at 4:08 p.m.

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Sam Dimopoulos, President

/S/

Michael Dye, Vice-President
(attending and voting via teleconference)

/S/

Michael Hawkins, Sr., Member
(attending and voting via teleconference)

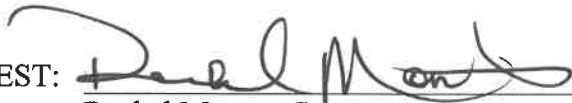
/S/

Owana Miller, Member
(attending and voting via teleconference)

/S/

Heather Garay, Member
(attending and voting via teleconference)

ATTEST:



Rachel Montes, Secretary
Kaleigh Boyle, Assistant Secretary

Board Minutes Prepared By: Kaleigh Boyle