

MINUTES  
HAMMOND SANITARY DISTRICT  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING  
JUNE 27, 2023  
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The Board of Sanitary Commissioners of the Sanitary District of Hammond, Lake County, Indiana held a regular meeting at 4:01 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 4:01 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: Dye, Hawkins, Miller

Commissioners Absent: Dimopoulos

Commissioners Present via Zoom: Rubio

District Personnel Present: Marty Wielgos, Chief Executive Officer  
Matthew Muta, Deputy District Manager  
Rachel Montes, Business Manager  
Joseph Allegretti, HSD Attorney  
Sharon Szany, HSD  
Jeffrey Massey, HSD  
Bob Szczudlo, HSD  
Jack Smith, Sewer Department  
Kaleigh Boyle, HSD  
Jessie Amezcua, HSD

Others Present: Mike Hickey, MJHY  
Natalie Cook, Donohue  
Ken Schoon, Munster Town Council

The meeting started with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Vice-President Dye stated that the first order of business is the consideration of the June 13, 2023 Board Meeting Minutes.

Hawkins **moved** and Miller **seconded** to approve the June 13, 2023 Board Meeting Minutes.

Ayes: Dye, Hawkins, Miller, Rubio

Nays: None

Motion **carried** 4-0.

**PERSONNEL REPORT**

There was no Personnel Report.

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**CONSULTANT REPORTS**

**MJHY, LLC**

Mike Hickey stated that he has been working with Jeff. They are trying to get a construction permit to IDEM that they requested, so he and Jeff are working on that.

**DONOHUE**

Natalie Cook commented that she did not have anything to report today.

**RESOLUTIONS**

**The Board considered Resolution No. 19-2023: RE: A Resolution by the Board of Sanitary Commissioners of the Sanitary District of Hammond, Lake County, Indiana for Southeast CSO CMDF Facility Preliminary Design**

Miller **moved** and Rubio **seconded** to approve Resolution No. 19-2023.

Ayes: Dye, Hawkins, Miller, Rubio

Nays: None

Motion **carried** 4-0.

**The Board considered the Claims Approval Docket 06-27-23.**

Hawkins **moved** and Miller **seconded** for the approval of the Claims Approval Docket 06-27-23.

Ayes: Dye, Hawkins, Miller, Rubio

Nays: None

Motion **carried** 4-0.

**Vice-President Dye called for Old Business**

There was no old business to discuss.

**Vice-President Dye called for New Business**

Chief Executive Officer, Marty Wielgos, stated that he would just like to tell the Board that this Friday, June 30<sup>th</sup> between 11:30 am- 12:00 pm is the start time for a small cookout they are doing here at the Sanitary District. It is really designed to do a couple of things. One, he thinks it is important having 100 employees here to bring as many of those employees together at different times of the year. He thinks it is helpful and beneficial. He knows sometimes they have questions for him and are not always able to get to him to ask, so this is also a place they can do that. More importantly, they are doing a three-block cleanup (north, south, east, and west of the Plant). They will start around 7:30 am and just go out into the streets and parkways- not in to any private yards or alleys- and pick up trash. He thinks it is direly needed and hopefully the businesses that they pass along the way will see that and do more in their general area. The

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Mayor is one of their previous meetings had talked about how as he is riding different trails throughout the City that there seems to be a lot of trash buildup all over. He asked each department to do what they could, so they decided to do a cookout after it for half a day before a holiday to make it a little more than just a cleanup.

Vice-President Dye commented that he thinks it is good team building.

Marty agreed. He just wanted any Commissioners to know if they are free to stop by. Dan Zander is cooking hot dogs and hamburgers on the grill and there will be some desserts and sodas, so please stop by. He would love to have them.

Commissioner Hawkins asked how much trash do they need to pick up.

Marty replied that is a good question. He said he knows each guy has a bag, so he would think at least a full bag. He will say that his sole intent was to have the guys that work in the Plant be the ones who are going out and then he was asked by several people here in the executive office by a few ladies saying they would like to do that too. As much as he would like to, he said no. He has two people leaving here, so there are extra duties and more importantly, the guys out there have uniforms so they are easy to identify. They will have trucks in the road with lights on. The ladies do not have any kind of uniform and are in an office environment and these guys are out in the field and step into this stuff every so often while they are out in the field. The main thing for him though was the uniforms, so they are easily identified as employees of an entity of the City. He thinks that is important with so much craziness going on. This has not been advertised anywhere on any media. They just want to go out and they are only doing public areas, but he thought it was nice that even some of the women here were willing to volunteer and he wanted to recognize that with the Board. Other than that, he does not have anything else.

**Vice-President Dye called for Reports from Commissioners**

Commissioner Rubio said that she wanted to mention on July 14<sup>th</sup> Old National us having a blood drive at Wicker Park from 8:00 am until 2:00 pm. They are inviting all of their clients and community partners out to join them and support the blood drive for the American Red Cross.

**Vice-President Dye called for Public Expression**

There was no public expression.

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

Miller moved and Hawkins seconded for adjournment.

Ayes: Dye, Hawkins, Miller, Rubio

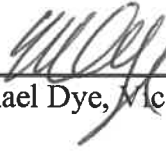
Nays: None

Motion carried 4-0. The meeting was adjourned at 4:08 p.m.

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Sam Dimopoulos, President



Michael Dye, Vice-President



Michael Hawkins, Sr., Member

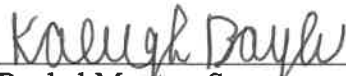


Owana Miller, Member



Monica Rubio, Member

ATTEST:



Rachel Montes, Secretary

Kaleigh Boyle, Assistant Secretary

Board Minutes Prepared By: Kaleigh Boyle