MINUTES
HAMMOND SANITARY DISTRICT
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING
APRIL 28, 2026
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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.

Vice-President Dye 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:	Dye, Hawkins, Rubio
Commissioners Absent:	Dimopoulos, Miller
Commissioners Present via Zoom:	N/A
District Personnel Present:	Milan Kruszynski, District Manager Joseph Allegretti, Attorney Matthew Muta, Deputy District Manager Rachel Montes, Business Manager Jeffrey Massey, HSD Jack Smith, Sewer Department Robert Szczudlo, HSD Kaleigh Boyle, HSD Jessie Amezcua, HSD
Others Present:	Mike Hickey, MJHY Natalie Cook, Donohue
Others Present via Zoom:	N/A

The meeting started with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Vice-President Dye stated the first order of business is the consideration of the April 14, 2026 Board Meeting Minutes.

Rubio **moved** and Hawkins **seconded** to approve the April 14, 2026 Board Meeting Minutes.

Ayes: Dye, Hawkins, Rubio
Nays: None
Motion **carried** 3-0.

DISTRICT MANAGER'S REPORT

District Manager Milan Kruszynski stated that he was going to start out with the Accounting/Finance department report. The audit readiness continues. The meetings are held with the City and other departments. In performing a thorough trial balance review last week, Rachel identified some transactions that were recorded incorrectly and there were some 2025 invoices that were processed in March and April. Due to this she will have to recalculate the accounts payable accruals, CIP, capital assets and inventory. This will delay the 2025 trial balances submission to RSM. Once this is completed, she and Kaleigh will work on correcting the issues in the first half of 2026 so they will have reliable trial balances for 2026. There are two modules left to configure in the Tyler software – Fixed Assets and Project Accounting. Once that has been done, the trial balances will be finalized for 2025 and 2026, she will reach out to Tyler to schedule the configuration of these modules. The accounting department will be requesting a change order for additional hours to review the current modules configurations plus some other additional work that is going to need to be done.

Maintenance reports that hauling of biosolids is being done to the landfill. Sohl Avenue has rake installation on the north rakes. They are in service and in two weeks the south rakes will be started and that project will be finished. Primary tank #12 is finished. As of this coming Monday after all inspections have taken place hopefully it will be started and that will happen again this coming Monday. Cleaning of the basin is taking place whenever weather is permitting. Staff continues to clean the plant and outlying stations and are picking up screens as needed.

Sewer department reports that 8.3 miles cleaned so far in April. That is as of yesterday. Two main repairs on the 5400 block of Oakley were started today which is a good thing. As of yesterday, there were approximately 750 locates that came in for the month of April. If everything goes right, Sewer Maintenance will start cleaning Columbia Avenue from 165th to Summer Street. This will take three vactor trucks to do, so the completed footage will be lower for the month of May due to three trucks doing work on Columbia Avenue.

Safety department let him know that the new coats have been ordered for the employees. The Sewer department's uniform distribution was done today. About half of the items were delivered and they expect the remaining items in the next two to three weeks.

IT reports that AT&T let us know that we will be receiving a $2,600 credit. There will be some testing done at the Sohl Avenue station with the new AT&T cellular device. There will be continued work on SCADA migration and upgrades. Tyler Technologies Time & Attendance new time clocks configuration has started, and they will be working with Tyler in the upcoming weeks.

Lastly, Operations reported that there was an average of 1.81" of rainfall since the last meeting. The CSO basin was utilized. HSD personnel handled rain events well. There were no reported basement backups. The plant seems to be running normally. The flow is averaging 68 million gallons/day. The basin is being emptied and will be cleaned as weather allows. There has been a

submittal for a letter to IDEM based on their inspection on March 18th. They are continuing to collect data on plant odor so work can be done with Chemtreat to treat that odor. The biosolids land application permit renewal has been completed and submitted to IDEM. The biosolids marketing and distribution permit renewal has been completed and submitted to IDEM. The IDEM air pollution permit has been completed and submitted to IDEM. Permit application will be available at the Hammond Public Library for public view. The March MRO has been completed and submitted to the EPA and IDEM. That is the District Manager's report.

PERSONNEL REPORT

The Board was given a Personnel Report prior to meeting.

Hawkins **moved** and Rubio **seconded** for the approval of the Personnel Report.

Ayes: Dye, Hawkins, Rubio
Nays: None
Motion **carried** 3-0.

CONSULTANT REPORTS

MJHY

Mike Hickey stated the quarterly consent decree status report is due next week – May 7th. They have prepared a draft. HSD staff and Max are reviewing it and once they get comments back, they will get Milan's signature, and it will go out on time.

Donohue

Natalie Cook stated that she does not have anything to add to Mike's report.

The Board considered the Claims Approval Docket 04-28-26.

Rubio **moved** and Miller **seconded** for the approval of the Claims Approval Docket 04-28-26.

Ayes: Dye, Hawkins, Rubio
Nays: None
Motion **carried** 3-0.

Vice-President Dye called for Old Business
There was no old business to discuss.

Vice-President Dye called for New Business
There was no new business to discuss.

Vice-President Dye called for Reports from Commissioners
There were no reports from Commissioners.

Vice-President Dye called for Public Expression
There was no public in attendance in person or online.

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

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

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

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Sam Dimopoulos, President

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Michael Dye, Vice-President

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Michael Hawkins, Sr., Member

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Owana Miller, Member

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Monica Rubio, Member

ATTEST: _____
Rachel Montes, Secretary
Kaleigh Boyle, Assistant Secretary

Board Minutes Prepared By: Kaleigh Boyle