

An Executive Session of the Board of Directors of Hammond Water Works Department was held on Thursday, February 10, 2022 to discuss litigation and personnel matters prior to the commencement of the regular meeting of the Board of Directors. President, Vice President, Secretary, Assist. Secretary/Treasurer, Chief Executive Operator, Deputy Chief Executive Operator and the Board Attorney were present. No other matters were discussed by the Board.

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HAMMOND WATERWORKS DEPARTMENT
Thursday, February 10, 2022

Electronic Communication was available via Zoom – No Public Attended

Those members in person:

S. Daniels	President	Mark Mclaughlin	Chief Executive Operator
P. Walker	Secretary	J. Prieto,	Deputy Chief Executive Operator
P. Gavrilos	Assist. Secretary/Treasurer	S. Levinson	Board Attorney

Those members via Zoom: B. Grisolia

Those not present: R. Lendi

- The Board President called the meeting to order.
- The Chief Executive Operator stated that a customer called and stated that a year ago a gentleman from the Water Department, James Matonovich saw her struggling with shoveling her driveway and stopped her and asked her why she was out there doing that, let me help you. She said her husband just got diagnosed with Stage four cancer and she needed to get him to his appointment. So Mr. Matonovich shoveled her out. She stated a year later she looked out her window and saw Mr. Matonovich was there again at her house shoveling her driveway again. The resident told Mr. Matonovich she was going to call to tell the Water Department how pleased she was with him. Mr. Matonovich told the resident it wasn't necessary that she did not need to call. The Board President commended Mr. Matonovich and read aloud a letter on behalf of the Board and herself as follows:

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Jim Matanovich

Re: In Recognition for Extraordinary Community Service

Dear Jim,

The Board of Directors of the Hammond Water Works Department wishes to commend you for your extraordinary community service. It has been conveyed to us that the Water Department received a call from a resident at 173rd and Birch expressing deep gratitude for the kindness and civic duty you displayed. Stopping to assure this resident's safety, shoveling their driveway to help them get to their medical appointment, and then doubling back for a well-being check exemplifies your generosity and dedication to the public. We are fortunate to have employees of your caliber representing the City of Hammond and its Water Works Department.

Signed:

President, Board of Directors of the HWWD

Mr. Matonovich informed the Board he wasn't really looking for recognition for his act. He was just helping someone out who he saw struggling. He further explained where shes located she gets plowed in easily.

The Board thanked Mr. Matonovich.

- The Minutes from the previous meeting were approved and accepted as submitted to be placed on file upon motion made by B. Grisolia seconded by P. Walker

ROLL CALL VOTE (Minutes)

YES: Gavrilos, Grisolia, Walker, Daniels

NO: NONE

ABSENT: LENDI

Motion carried

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- A motion was made by B. Grisolia seconded by P. Gavrilos to approve Accounts Payable Voucher Ledger (Claims List) and Refund Voucher list from February 10, 2022.

ROLL CALL VOTE (AP Voucher Ledger and Refund Voucher)

YES: Gavrilos, Grisolia, Walker, Daniels

NO: NONE

ABSENT: LENDI

Motion carried

- A motion was made by B. Grisolia, seconded by P. Gavrilos and motion carried to approve the miscellaneous reports as submitted.

ROLL CALL VOTE (Miscellaneous Reports)

YES: Gavrilos, Grisolia, Walker, Daniels

NO: NONE

ABSENT: LENDI

Motion carried

Miscellaneous Reports submitted:

Board Meeting Claims – Operating Fund \$384,293.91

Board Meeting Claims – Capital Improvement \$21,553.60

Board Meeting Claims – Depreciation \$1,664.24

3 Year Pumpage Comparison for January and February

Filtration Plant Overtime Report – 28 Hours of Overtime 1/30/2022-2/6/2022

- The Deputy Chief Executive Operator informed the Board that the Resolution No. 22-02 to Rescind the award of bid for a transit cargo van is that we have been waiting for over a year for the dealer to receive this van and would like the award of bid rescinded so that we can look for another van elsewhere. A motion was made by P. Gavrilos, seconded by B. Grisolia and motion carried to approve: Resolution 2022-02 A Resolution Rescinding the Bid Award for a Transit 150 Cargo Van.

ROLL CALL VOTE (Resolution 22-02)

YES: Gavrilos, Grisolia, Walker, Daniels

NO: NONE

ABSENT: LENDI

Motion carried

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- A motion was made by P. Gavrilos, seconded by P. Walker and motion carried to approve the release of easement for a portion of Forsyth Square.

ROLL CALL VOTE (Forsyth Square)

YES: Gavrilos, Grisolia, Walker, Daniels

NO: NONE

ABSENT: LENDI

Motion carried

- A motion was made by P. Gavrilos, seconded B. Grisolia and motion carried to approve the release of easement for Sibley/Hohman.

ROLL CALL VOTE (Sibley/Hohman)

YES: Gavrilos, Grisolia, Walker, Daniels

NO: NONE

ABSENT: LENDI

Motion carried

- A motion was made by B. Grisolia, seconded by P. Gavrilos and motion carried to approve Resolution No. 2022-03 Increasing Hourly Rate of Pay for WT5 Certifications & For Training.

ROLL CALL VOTE (Resolution 2022-03)

YES: Gavrilos, Grisolia, Walker, Daniels

NO: NONE

ABSENT: LENDI

Motion carried

- A motion was made by P. Gavrilos, seconded by P. Walker and motion carried to approve Resolution 2022-04 Adoption of Executive Orders 22-42 and 22-43.

ROLL CALL VOTE (Resolution 2022-04)

YES: Gavrilos, Grisolia, Walker, Daniels

NO: NONE

ABSENT: LENDI

Motion carried

- The Filtration Superintendent submitted his report as follows:

*Filtration Superintendent's Report
February 10, 2022*

Chicago Underwater divers were on site to make two repairs. The first repair was to repair our 42" intake flow meter, which had malfunctioned. The second repair was a more complex repair. There are 6 wires that supply current to our 60" intake heater screens. The initial repair was thought to be only 2 wires when it was discovered that all 6 wires were compromised and needed repairs. This was completed by an underwater splice for each wire. The splice to each of the 6 wires was completed with a design concept by our Operations Supervisor, Rich Madeka. Mr. Madeka will be filing a patent on this underwater connector he designed specifically for this. These power line wires have been providing the 60" intake heaters underwater for 16 years.

Jaime, Mark, Rich and myself met with our engineering firm AECOM, and discussed our repairs to our settling basins in Plant #2. This meeting also included a supplier (AET) of settling tubes and they are interested in providing the equipment specified for the repairs to each of the 4 basins. We will be meeting with other suppliers in the near future.

Charles P. Pietrucha

The Board President asked if anyone had anything further.

- A motion was made by P. Gavrilos, seconded by B. Grisolia and motion carried to adjourn the meeting.

ROLL CALL VOTE (Resolution 2022-04)
YES: Gavrilos, Grisolia, Walker, Daniels
NO: NONE
ABSENT: LENDI
Motion carried

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ATTEST:

Paul A. Walker
SECRETARY

Sharon M. Daniels
PRESIDENT