

An Executive Session of the Board of Directors of Hammond Water Works Department was held on Thursday, July 11, 2024 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 Board Attorney were present. No other matters were discussed by the Board.

MEETING MINUTES, BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
HAMMOND WATERWORKS DEPARTMENT  
Thursday, July 11, 2024

Electronic Communication was available via Zoom – No Public Attended

Those members in person:

S. Daniels	President	M. McLaughlin	Chief Executive Operator
B. Grisolia	Vice President	J. Prieto,	Deputy Chief Executive Operator
P. Walker	Secretary	S. Levinson,	Board Attorney
P. Gavrilos	Assist. Secretary/Treasurer		

Those not present: R. Lendi

- The Board President called the meeting to order.
- A motion was made by B. Grisolia seconded by P. Gavrilos and motion carried to approve the previous Minutes as submitted to the Board.
- A motion was made by B. Grisolia seconded by P. Walker and motion carried to approve Accounts Payable Voucher Ledger (Claims List), Refund Vouchers and Payroll Vouchers as submitted to the Board.
- A motion was made by B. Grisolia, seconded by P. Gavrilos and motion carried to approve the miscellaneous reports as submitted.

Board Meeting Claims – Operating Fund \$826,792.13

Board Meeting Claims – Capital Improvement \$0.00

Board Meeting Claims – Depreciation \$0.00

3 Year Pumpage Comparison for July

Filtration Plant Overtime Report – 58 Hours of Overtime weeks ending 6/16/24 & 6/23/24

Bank of New York Bond Bank – \$0.00

- The Deputy Chief Executive Operator submitted his report as follows:

*CEO/Deputy CEO Report for Board Meeting 7/11/24*

*-HWW was met with an inspection done by the EPA on May 20<sup>th</sup>. EPA along with reps from IDEM toured the plant for the better part of the day and asked questions concerning our process. Chuck, Rich and Jeff did a fantastic job answering all questions. The second part of the inspection consisted of visiting our Booster Tank as well as one elevation tank. Bruce led this tour and answered every question they had, so much so that they did not need to visit the other elevation tanks. We should be receiving a report from EPA sometime in August. I can report to you that they did not have any initial concerns after touring our facilities. Our staff did an amazing job.*

*-The office has been getting an influx of calls relating to bills. They have been explaining that we have outsourced our billing and that the first bills coming from Lithographic Solutions were mailed out on July 8<sup>th</sup>.*

*-We are in final stages of having Les prepare the RFP's for everything concerning the Rimbach property.*

*-We have spoken to Jeff at Sanitary District about possibly joining in on the next round of Chemical Bids through eBridge. We will be speaking to those reps in the next couple of weeks to see if joining forces could possibly bring down the price.  
-Distribution has been working diligently to replace known broken valves across the city to help isolate possible future breaks in our system.*

- A motion was made by P. Gavrilos, seconded by B. Grisolia and motion carried to approve the Amendment to the Rimbach Parking Lot Agreement with the Hammond Redevelopment Commission.
- The Deputy Executive Operator explained to the Board that he is asking the Board for new positions. One being a GIS Analyst and one for a Project Facilitator. A motion was made by B. Grisolia seconded by P. Walker and motion carried to approve the Distribution Employee repositioning.
- The Deputy Executive Operator is requesting the Board Approve Change Order 6D from ACMS, he further stated the project Engineer, AECOM has looked it over and agrees with it. A motion was made by B. Grisolia, seconded by P. Walker and motion carried to approve Change Order #6D from ACMS for the Flocculation and Sedimentation project as outlined.

- The Filtration Superintendent submitted his report as follows:

*Filtration Superintendent Report 7/11/2024*

*The #2 Flocculation and Sedimentation basin in Plant #2 was completed and put into service on June 24<sup>th</sup>. Installation of the new equipment started in #3 basin and is at 50% completion and should be complete by the end of July. It is anticipated that all four basins will be in service by September.*

*We are currently working with Chicago Underwater Diving on preliminary work involving installation of our second heater cone sleeve into the West intake. They will also clean any buildup and zebra mussels from the screens as well. When this work is completed we will have two heater cone sleeves installed on the East and West intakes. Eventually we will look into heater drops inside for the North intake for Frazil Ice conditions.*

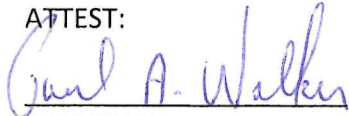
*We will be working with CDM Smith engineers on the evaluation of 20 filters in Plants #1 and #2. This filter study will include evaluating all filter valves, backwash and surface wash systems, filter controls and all associated components. This study will make recommendations for capital improvements that will be needed for future processing.*

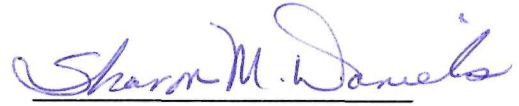
*Charles P. Pietrucha  
Filtration Plant Superintendent*

- The Board President asked if anyone had anything further.
- A motion was made by P. Gavrilos seconded B. Grisolia and motion carried to adjourn the meeting.

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ATTEST:

  
SECRETARY

  
PRESIDENT