

MEETING MINUTES, BOARD OF DIRECTORS
HAMMOND WATERWORKS DEPARTMENT
Thursday, October 24, 2025

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
R. Lendi	Treasurer	
P. Walker	Secretary	
V. Lopez	Assistant Secretary-Treasurer	

S. Levinson appeared via Zoom

Also present: Phil Gavrilos, Project Facilitator
Charles Pietrucha, Filtration Superintendent

- The Board President called the meeting to order.
- The Board President asked if there were any conflicts of interest. No conflicts of interest.
- A motion was made by R. Lendi seconded by B. Grisolia and motion carried to approve and place on file the previous meeting's 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. Walker and motion carried to approve the miscellaneous reports as submitted.

Board Meeting Claims – Operating Fund \$220,708.25

Board Meeting Claims – Capital Improvement \$0.00

Board Meeting Claims – Depreciation \$62,780.27

3 Year Pumpage Comparison for September

Filtration Plant Overtime Report – 32 Hours of Overtime 10/5/2025 & 10/12/25

- The CEO/Deputy CEO had an oral report:

Deputy CEO oral report: We'll have Chuck come in later. We were in Fort Wayne at the Alliance of Indiana Rural Water, best tasting water competition. This was a competition that had four (4) regionals, which we won in French Lick in March. There were four (4) other utilities competing in Fort Wayne this past week, and we came out first! They taste for best taste, odor and clarity. We won all categories and will be representing the State of Indiana in Washington DC in February. We beat Fort Wayne who has won the last three (3) years in a row.

- The Board President stated on behalf of The Board, we would like to say Congratulations to all the workers at the Filtration Plant for a job well done and continuing as we always knew we had the best tasting water. Now we just have validation for that point.
- A motion was made by R. Lendi, seconded by B. Grisolia and motion carried to approve the 2025 write-offs as follows:

Water \$8,478.38
Refuse \$5,532.10
Sanitary \$11,488.38
Total \$25,498.86

Both the Controller's Office and Sanitary have been notified.

- The Board Treasurer brought up concern that we continue to hold Ford Heights balances on our books, and we should be at least beginning to write some of those off since we do, in fact, know they are uncollectible.

- A motion was made by B. Grisolia, seconded by V. Lopez and motion carried to approve the Dream Builders Proposal—Access Control.

- New and Unfinished Business
 - A motion was made by B. Grisolia, seconded by R. Lendi and motion carried that the administration notify Mr. Jacob Smith of the formal charges and the hearing date set forth after he provides documentation.

 - The Filtration Superintendent, Charles Pietrucha updated The Board on the front gate. There was a police chase coming down Casino Center Drive and the driver drove right through the front gate. We parked pickup trucks there over the weekend. SDI came in and was able to fabricate a new front gate and replaced for us.

 - The Board President congratulated Charles on Best tasting water.

 - Charles stated it was an honor to accept the award. This was a team effort. It's for everybody. Starts at Filtration, with a bunch of good operators, mechanics crew and operations supervisor Rich, and all the way back here. It was an honor and I want to say Thank You to Phil, Victor and Jaime for being there to support.

 - The Project Facilitator, Phil Gavrilos informed The Board we are just in limbo on furniture (partitions, office chairs and board room table) at the Rimbach building. All architectural glass will be put in on November 3rd and possibly take a few days.

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- The Distribution Superintendent Submitted his report as follows:

10/21/2025

Distribution monthly work summary 9/26/2025 thru 10/21/2025

- (146) Service line issues resolved*
- (5) Corp issues resolved*
- (4) Fire Hydrant replaced*
- (6) Fire Hydrant repaired*
- (4) New valves installed*
- (20) Valves exercised*
- (4) Valve boxes installed*
- (64) Meters exchanged*
- (4) Hot taps performed*
- (3) Water Main projects are completed*

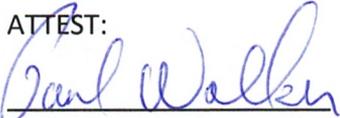
Crews are working with Grimmer on Phase 2 of the Hohman Ave. Water Main project. Fall city hydrant flushing will continue.

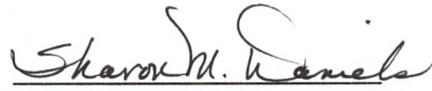
*Sincerely,
Bruce Long
Distribution Superintendent*

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

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ATTEST:


Carl Walker
SECRETARY


Sharon M. Daniels
PRESIDENT