

**HAMMOND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT BOARD**  
**MINUTES OF MARCH 15, 2021**

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Hammond Capital Improvement Board of the City of Hammond, Lake County, Indiana was held on March 15, 2021 at 5pm.

**ROLL CALL**

**PRESENT:** Flores, Kruszynski, Prieto, Spitale, Tyler, Venecz, Button

**ABSENT:** None

**TOTAL:** 7

**CONSIDERATION OF PAST MEETING MINUTES**

Commissioner Kruszynski, supported by Commissioner Prieto, moved to approve the minutes from March 1, 2021.

**ROLL CALL**

**AYES:** Flores, Kruszynski, Prieto, Spitale, Tyler, Venecz, Button

**NAYS:** None

**ABSENT:** None

**Motion Carried**

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**MINUTES APPROVED**

**REPORT ON WORK STUDY SESSION**

Chairman/President Button – discussed what was on the agenda, spent some time on clarification on the format for approving funding allocations. Talked about tracking funding and how to move forward with the funds and how the board will report on the funds. Talked about a draft of a project request form for residents to complete if they have a project, they'd like this board to consider. Discussed possibly having a second request form for departments as well.

**FUNDING**

Commissioner Flores – stated they received numbers from the boats for February activity and reported that the local development agreement is at 94% of the average collection rate, which is good. Reported that she and President Button are working on a projection report for the CIB and the Mayor.

**MATTERS FROM MAYOR, COUNCIL AND OTHER DEPARTMENTS**

Marty Wielgos – stated he came tonight to respond to the request from the CIB, for Schneider St. The request of the Sanitary District was \$260,000. At the time of the request, we the Sanitary District was prepared to fund the entire \$260,000, but since then had a major force main that has broken. The main runs parallel between two (2) railroad tracks on railroad property off of Kennedy Ave on the westside, across from the Kennedy Ave Pumping Station. Stated that this is going to be a major expense for the District. Until they know what that number is, they only have a limited amount of money set aside for this type of problem, so they are afraid to try to continue to participate with the project at the \$260,000 level and at this time, it could be putting the district in some trouble. He stated that this is why we can not do this at this point. Questioned when the Schneider project is supposed to start.

MATTERS FROM MAYOR, COUNCIL AND OTHER DEPARTMENTS cont.

Chairman/President Button – stated that they could start at any time, the project is designed and complete. Stated they would be ready at any time to go to bid.

Marty Wielgos – stated the problem the District has at this point, since it's a ready to start project, is that the Sanitary District are unable to commit to the financing until they know what the cost is for the major main repair. Stated that if the main repair comes back not as costly, then they would be more than happy to fund the \$260,000 request.

OLD BUSINESS

Chairman/President Button – stated that the Chicago St. Phase 2 will be starting in the next couple of weeks.

NEW BUSINESS

FUNDING ALLOCATION – Chicago Street Phase 1 Construction Engineering (CE)  
in the amount of \$121,526.52.

Commissioner Prieto, supported by Commissioner Flores, moved to approve the funding allocation for Chicago Street Phase 1.

Chairman/President Button – gave a brief presentation on 2020-2 Community Crossings Funding allocation.

ROLL CALL (Chicago Street Phase 1)

AYES: Flores, Kruszynski, Prieto, Spitale, Tyler, Venecz, Button

NAYS: None

ABSENT: None

Motion Carried

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FUNDING ALLOCATION APPROVED

PUBLIC EXPRESSION

Ron Perry – asked what was happening on Alexander St, it's a bad street.

Chairman/President Button – stated that there is no project in design, at this time.

PUBLIC EXPRESSION cont.

Chairman/President Button – reminded the board that April 5, 2021 is the next meeting, at this time there is no new business for a regular meeting. I would like to hold a work study session at 4pm. I will advise the board and the Clerk's office if we will have a regular meeting.

Commissioner Prieto, supported by Councilman Spitale, moved to adjourn.

AYES: ALL

APPROVED:



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Dean Button, President  
Capital Improvement Board

ATTEST:



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Robert J. Golec, Hammond City Clerk

Time: 5:35pm

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