

HAMMOND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT BOARD

MINUTES OF JULY 6, 2026

The regular meeting of the Hammond Capital Improvements Board of the City of Hammond, Lake County, Indiana was held on July 6, 2026, in the Hammond City Council Chambers and was available to be viewed at gohammond on Facebook, gohammond.TV live and per Zoom.

CALL TO ORDER

President/ Chairman Button presided.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was recited by all.

ROLL CALL

PHYSICALLY PRESENT: Moore, Muta, Rakos, Salinas, Woerpel, Button

ELECTRONICALLY PRESENT PER ZOOM:

ABSENT: Prieto

TOTAL: 7

CONSIDERATION OF PAST MEETING MINUTES

Commissioner Muta, supported by Councilman Woerpel, moved to approve the minutes from June 15, 2026.

ROLL CALL VOTE

AYES: Moore, Muta, Prieto, Rakos, Woerpel, Button

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Prieto

Motion Carried

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MINUTES APPROVED

REPORT ON WORK STUDY SESSION

President / Chairman Button – Discussion of current items on agenda.

FUNDING – Commissioner Moore – This evening we have \$94,000.00 worth of Funding Allocations that are before us. We did receive our third quarter budget, so we received \$1,569,497.90, that brings our total budget for this year at about \$6.6 Million total unallocated funds as of right now include the allocated sheets that are before us tonight take us to about \$2.68 million, we are doing pretty well there. I just wanted to note this will be my last meeting this year as I leave on maternity leave at the end of this month my deputy controller Tinesha Greenwell who is in the audience will be attending the meetings and giving updates and be assisting in the processing of the allocation sheets. In my absence she will be amazing and a great tool! If there are any questions or issues, please ask her.

President/Chairman Button – Thank You. Good luck and all the best wishes. We look forward to working with Tinesha while you're gone. It seems when we first founded this board, we were looking

at \$8 million a year for funding. Sort of looks we are still on track if we have \$6.6 million up to this point.

Commissioner Moore – The first quarter and the third quarter budget were right around the same. In the second quarter it kind of dipped \$1.3 so I would anticipate at least another \$1.4 to \$1.5 in the fourth quarter. Fourth quarter tends to do pretty well. I do feel component we will land on that.

President/Chairman Button – we are holding on for now. Not a great diminishment of gaming but still difficult to work around. I had talked to Tinesha earlier today; I would just remind the board that we do have a federal project coming and I want to say that's probably around October it's the Marquette Greenway from Kennedy to Cline in the 6th district. It's a bike trail project and our contribution I want to say is right around \$800,000.00 for that forecast. We do have a big expense coming later this year and then we have two early next year.

MATTERS FROM MAYOR, COUNCIL AND OTHER DEPARTMENTS –

Councilman Woerpel – Construction on Kennedy . Is that two-year project? At the bridge on Kennedy

President / Chairman Button – It is a two-year project. They got a late start. It is a two-year project it is except go the balance of this year and it would finish up mid-28. I don't expect to take a full construction season in 28. But I except to take up a good part of it.

OLD BUSINESS

None

President / Chairman Button – By the way Councilman Salinas has arrived. He came in around funding at some point. He should be considered present.

NEW BUSINESS

REVISED Funding Allocation #266 – 165th Street from Kennedy to Kentucky design and Michigan Street from Hohman to Calumet – First Group Engineering – in the amount of \$92,300.00

Councilman Rakos, supported by Councilman Salinas, moved to approve the funding allocation for 165th Street from Kennedy to Kentucky design and Michigan Street from Hohman to Calumet – in the amount of \$92,300.00

Chairman/President Button gave a brief description of the funding allocation.

ROLL CALL VOTE (165th Street from Kennedy to Kentucky design and Michigan Street from Hohman to Calumet)

AYES: Moore, Muta, Rakos, Woerpel, Salinas, Button

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Prieto

Motion Carried

6/0/1 FUNDING ALLOCATION APPROVED

REVISED Funding Allocation #283 – Summer Street Reconstruction Change Orders 8 & 13 thru 17 – INDOT/ Rieth Riley Construction Co – in the amount of \$15,567.94

Councilman Woerpel, supported by Commissioner Moore, moved to approve the funding allocation for Summer Street Reconstruction Change Orders 8 & 13 thru 17 – in the amount of \$15,567.94

Chairman/President Button gave a brief description of the funding allocation.

ROLL CALL VOTE (Summer Street Reconstruction Change Orders 8 & 13 thru 17)

AYES: Moore, Muta, Rakos, Salinas, Woerpel, Button

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Prieto

Motion Carried

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FUNDING ALLOCATION APPROVED

Funding Allocation #330 – Summer Street Sewer Change Order No.1 – Grimmer Construction – in the amount of \$3,100.00

Commissioner Moore, supported by Commissioner Muta, moved to approve the funding allocation for Summer Street Sewer Change Order No.1 – in the amount of \$3,100.00

Chairman/President Button gave a brief description of the funding allocation.

ROLL CALL VOTE (Summer Street Sewer Change Order No. 1)

AYES: Moore, Muta, Rakos, Salinas, Woerpel ,Button

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Prieto

Motion Carried

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FUNDING ALLOCATION APPROVED

Funding Allocation #331 – Memorial Park Street Dedication – American Structurepoint – in the amount of \$1,300.00

Commissioner Muta, supported by Councilman Rakos, moved to approve the funding allocation for Memorial Park Street Dedication – in the amount of \$1,300.00

Chairman/President Button gave a brief description of the funding allocation.

ROLL CALL VOTE (Memorial Park Street Dedication)

AYES: Moore, Muta, Rakos, Salinas, Woerpel ,Button

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Prieto

Motion Carried

6/0/1

FUNDING ALLOCATION APPROVED

Funding Allocation #332 – Disposed Salvaged Building Materials – Dyer Construction – in the amount of \$10,700.00

Councilman Woerpel, supported by Councilman Salinas, moved to approve the funding allocation for Disposed Salvaged Building Materials – in the amount of \$10,700.00

Chairman/President Button gave a brief description of the funding allocation.

ROLL CALL VOTE (Disposed Salvaged Building Materials)

AYES: Moore, Muta, Rakos, Salinas, Woerpel ,Button

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Prieto

Motion Carried

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FUNDING ALLOCATION APPROVED

Funding Allocation #333 – 2026 General Engineering Services – NIES Engineering – in the amount of \$60,000.00

Councilman Woerpel, supported by Councilman Rakos, moved to approve the funding allocation for 2026 General Engineering Services – in the amount of \$60,000.00

Chairman/President Button gave a brief description of the funding allocation.

ROLL CALL VOTE (2026 General Engineering Services)

AYES: Moore, Muta, Rakos, Salinas, Woerpel ,Button

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Prieto

Motion Carried

6/0/1

FUNDING ALLOCATION APPROVED

Funding Allocation #334 – Fabricate Steel Bollards for Hohman Ave – Van's Industrial, Inc – in the amount of \$18,900.00

Commissioner Moore, supported by Councilman Salinas, moved to approve the funding allocation for Fabricate Steel Bollards for Hohman Ave – in the amount of \$18,900.00

Chairman/President Button gave a brief description of the funding allocation.

ROLL CALL VOTE ()

AYES: Moore, Muta, Rakos, Salinas, Woerpel ,Button

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Prieto

Motion Carried

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FUNDING ALLOCATION APPROVED

PUBLIC EXPRESSION – None

Chairman/President Button – reminded the board that July 20TH, 2026, is the next meeting, with a work study session at 4:30pm and a regular meeting at 5pm.

Councilman Woerpel , supported by Commissioner Muta , moved to adjourn. AYES: ALL

**2026 HAMMOND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT BOARD ATTENDANCE RECORD OF
ELECTRONIC AND PHYSICAL PRESENCE**

	January		Feb		March		April		May		June		July	
	x	21	2	18	2	16	6	20	4	18	1	15	6	20
Megan Moore	x	A	x	A	P	P	P	X	P	P	X	P	P	
Matthew Muta	x	P	x	P	P	P	P	X	P	P	X	P	P	
Jaime Prieto	x	P	x	P	E	A	P	X	P	P	X	E	A	
Scott Rakos	x	P	x	P	P	P	P	X	A	A	X	P	P	
Al Salinas	x	P	x	P	P	P	E	X	P	A	X	P	P	
Dave Woerpel	x	P	x	A	P	A	E	X	A	A	X	A	P	
Dean Button	x	P	x	P	P	P	P	X	P	P	X	P	P	
Initials		ddb		ddb	ddb	ddb	ddb		ddb			DDB	ddb	

E=ELECTRONIC

P=PHYSICALLY PRESENT

A=ABSENT

APPROVED:



Dean Button, President
Capital Improvement Board

ATTEST:



Robert J. Golec, Hammond City Clerk
Time 5:10 pm cb