

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR PUBLIC MEETING
BOARD OF SANITARY COMMISSIONERS
TUESDAY JULY 20, 2021**

The Board of Sanitary Commissioners of the Sanitary District of Highland convened in a study session immediately before the Regular Public Meeting at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday July 20, 2021 with Commissioner Garcia presiding, in the upstairs meeting room of the Highland Municipal Building, 3333 Ridge Road, Highland, Indiana, in order to discuss the final agenda of the regular meeting.

Silent Roll Call: Commissioners Laura Corpus, Rex Burton, Greg Cieslak, Dave Jones and Richard Garcia. Also present were Mark Knesek, Public Works Director, Derek Snyder of NIES Engineering, Inc., Robert Tweedle, Attorney, Mark Herak, Town Councilman.

Mr. Knesek gave an update regarding the advisability of adding a lateral camera to the new camera truck order. Adding the camera would be an additional \$120,000.00. The commissioners had a discussion not to go forward.

Mr. Knesek introduced an article being delivered to The Idea Factory to be put in the next Gazebo regarding the Laverne Street project. The commissioners asked for a few words to be changed.

Commission Garcia was asking for clarification pertaining to disposal of hazardous aerosol cans. A discussion followed.

Commissioner Garcia stated Mr. Griffin wanted clarification regarding invoices from HSD regarding truck dumping loads from Highland's vector truck. Mr. Knesek stated these invoices are routine. This has been the process for many years.

Mr. Tweedle gave an update on the SWIF Grant Fund. A discussion took place about matching funds.

Mr. Tweedle gave an update regarding illegal discharge of grease product into our sewer system. Citations have been given and the process is ongoing. The company has paid the first violation. The amount paid was in question. Mr. Tweedle needed to discuss the amount the Mr. Reed. The first hearing is next week. Mr. Tweedle and Mr. Knesek are planning on attending.

EPA/DOJ/IDEM: Mr. Tweedle gave an update. Susan Franzetti has sent in our response

At 7:00 the study session ended and the Regular Meeting of the Board of Sanitary Commissioners of the Sanitary District of Highland convened with Commissioner Garcia presiding, in the upstairs meeting room of the Highland Municipal Building, 3333 Ridge Road, Highland, Indiana. The Regular Public meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States of America.

Roll Call: Commissioners Laura Corpus, Rex Burton, Greg Cieslak, Dave Jones and Richard Garcia. Also present were Mark Knesek, Public Works Director, Derek Snyder of NIES Engineering, Inc.; Robert Tweedle, Attorney; Michael Griffin, Clerk-Treasurer, Mark Herak, Town Councilman.

Minutes of Previous Session: The June 15, 2021 Regular Public meeting minutes are approved as posted.

Special Order: None

Communication: A letter from Derek Snyder of Nies Engineering dated July 14, 2021 regarding Pay Request #5 (final) for the Grace Street Storm Sewer Improvement Project requesting the release of retainage is the amount of \$44,276.69.

General Orders and Unfinished Business:

- 1) Commissioner Corpus motioned to approved Resolution 2020-09. Commissioner Cieslak seconded. Upon a roll-call, there were five (5) affirmatives and no (0) negatives. The motion passes.

**SANITARY DISTRICT OF HIGHLAND
Board of Sanitary Commissioners
Resolution No. 2021-09**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING A CHANGE ORDER TO THE CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT WITH GRIMMER CONSTRUCTION, INC., FOR THE GRACE STREET STORM SEWER IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

Whereas, The Sanitary District of Highland is governed by its Board of Sanitary Commissioners, pursuant to the provisions of IC 36-9-25 et seq.; and

Whereas, IC 36-9-25-9 specifically provides that the Board of Sanitary Commissioners shall manage and control all works of the district and may purchase, acquire, construct, reconstruct, operate, repair and maintain all sewage works; and

Whereas, The Board of Sanitary Commissioners, in performing its duties, may adopt resolutions, rules and by-laws that are necessary to carry out the provisions of IC 36-9-25, including repealing or amending them consistent with the Sanitary District Law; and

Whereas, The Sanitary District of Highland (District), through its Board of Sanitary Commissioners, had heretofore on July 21, 2020, adopted Resolution No. 2020-14, A Resolution, awarding a bid to Grimmer Construction, Inc. for the Grace Street Storm Sewer Improvement Project in the total amount of \$456,054.35 as the lowest responsive and responsible bid; and

Whereas, during the course of construction of the Project, it has become necessary to change or alter the original specifications of the project and/or to increase or decrease the planned material quantities; and

Whereas, NIES Engineering, Inc., a licensed professional engineer performing construction engineering services on the Project, has specifically identified and presented Change Order No. 1, attached herewith, which details the changes and alterations to the Project which have a net decrease in the contract amount of Two thousand Thirty-four Dollars and 43/100 Cents (\$2,034.43); and

Whereas, The Sanitary District of Highland, through its Board of Sanitary Commissioners, now desires to approve and authorize the Change Order as described.

Now, Therefore Be it Resolved by the Board of Sanitary Commissioners for the Sanitary District of Highland, Lake County, Indiana, as follows:

Section 1. That Change Order No. 1 to the construction contract between Grimmer Construction, Inc. and the Sanitary District of Highland for the Grace Street Storm Sewer Improvement Project, as prepared by NIES Engineering, Inc., a licensed professional engineer performing construction engineering services on the Project, is hereby approved and authorized in each and every respect;

Section 2. That Change Order No. 1 decreases the original contract amount by Two Thousand Thirty-four Dollars and 43/100 Cents (\$2,034.43), bringing the total value of the contract to Four Hundred Fifty-four Thousand Nineteen Dollars and 92/100 Cents (\$454,019.92);

Section 3. That Change Order No. 1 does not change or extend the date for substantial completion;

Section 4. That the President of the Sanitary District of Highland be authorized to execute the Change Order with his signature;

Duly Adopted, Resolved and Ordered by the Board of Sanitary Commissioners of Highland, Lake County, Indiana, this 20th day of July, 2021. Having been passed by a vote of 5 in favor and 0 opposed.

**THE SANITARY DISTRICT OF HIGHLAND
BY ITS BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:**

Richard J. Garcia, President

Attest:

David Jones, Secretary

- 2) **ACTION TO APPROVE PAY REQUEST #5 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$11,253.00 AND RELEASE OF RETAINAGE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$44,276.69 FOR A TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$55,529.69 TO GRIMMER CONSTRUCTION INC., FOR THE GRACE STREET STORM SEWER IMPROVEMENT PROJECT. THE PROJECT IS COMPLETE.**

Commissioner Cieslak motioned to approved Pay Request #5 to Grimmer Construction Inc.. Commissioner Cieslak seconded. Upon a roll-call, there were five (5) affirmatives and no (0) negatives. The motion passes.

New Business: None

Reports: None

Comments from the Commissioners: None

Business from the floor:

Claims:

\$ Per the docket in the amount of:

040	Sanitary District Operating	\$227,029.91
044	Sanitary Dist Capital	\$ 55,529.69
070	Sewage Operating	\$334,551.29
072	Sewage Improv	\$ 31,090.11
	Total	\$648,201.00

Next Meeting: The next meeting is a study session will be Tuesday August 2, 2021 at 6:30p.m. The next regularly scheduled Public Meeting Session will be held Tuesday August 17, 2021 at 7:00 p.m., following a study session at 6:30 p.m.

Adjournment: There being no other business to come before the Board of Sanitation Commissioners, Commissioner Burton moved to adjourn. Upon a voice vote, the meeting was adjourned at 7:06 pm.

The Board of Sanitary Commissioners of the Sanitary District of Highland convened in study session immediately after the Public Meeting.

Present at the study session on silent roll call were Commissioners Laura Corpus, Rex Burton, Greg Cieslak, Dave Jones and Richard Garcia. Also present were Mark Knesek, Public Works Director, Derek Snyder of NIES Engineering, Inc.; Robert Tweedle, Attorney, Mark Herak, Town Councilman, John Reed, Town Attorney arrived at 7:10 pm.

The discussion continued regarding the grease discharge into our sewer system. John Reed verified the first citation was paid and court is next week.

Mr. Snyder gave an update in current projects. Insituform is out working and making process with lining. Community Crossing Grant will be bidding out soon. He also informed the commissioners about the upcoming project on Ohio Place.

Commissioner Garcia thanked Mr. Snyder for all the work he has done reviewing the cost of service study. Mr. Snyder stated he has not received a response from NEWGEN. A discussion took place.

Mr. Knesek stated the Kennedy Avenue bridge project is now a federal project. It won't cost Highland anything. The bridge is going to be raised. He also stated the six inch pump quote is \$37,000.00. He is trying to get other quotes.

Councilman Herak stated the council tentatively agreed to use the ARP money for the SWIF match. He also stated he is happy that Grace Street project worked. However, he is still getting beat up about the Martha Street project. He stated the street still floods. However, it goes down much quicker than in the past. It will never be instant. Discussion of installing a pump took place.

The meeting adjourned at 7:45.

Respectfully Submitted,
Denise Beck, Recording Secretary