

**East Chicago Port Authority Board of Directors - Board Meeting**

**Marina Social Center – Wednesday, July 21<sup>st</sup>, 2021 @ 5:00 p.m.**

Port Authority President Marino Solorio called the meeting of the East Chicago Port Authority Board of Directors to order at 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, July 21<sup>st</sup>, 2021. Ateria Allen took roll call. Following in attendance unless otherwise noted:

<b>BOARD MEMBERS</b>	<b>STAFF</b>
Marino Solorio, President	
Frank Kresich, Vice President	
Ronald Squok, Secretary	
Teri Smith	
Ruby Flowers	Natalie Adams Marina Director

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Rose Alexander and Cathy Sellers

**APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES:**

Ruby Flowers moved to approve meeting minutes from June 16, 2021 (second by Teri Smith). All ayes, motion carries.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**BID OPENING**

2021-1 Beach Fence OZOH Engineering ( moved by Teri Smith and second by Ruby Flowers)  
2021-2 Marina Fence PROJECT ON HOLD  
2021-3 Wood Fishing Pier PROJECT ON HOLD due to the price of wood  
2021-4 Windows NWI Property Preservation (moved by Teri Smith and second by Ron Squok)  
2021-5 Lakeview Remodel Reject  
2021-6 Security Booth PROJECT ON HOLD  
All ayes, motion carries.

**CLAIM WARRANT APPROVAL**

Ruby Flowers moved to approve claim warrant A and B (second by Ron Squok). All ayes, motion carries.  
A. 071321MA for \$48.14  
B. 072121MA for \$62,405.00

**PAYROLL DOCKET APPROVAL**

Ron Squok moved to approve payroll docket A and B (second by Ruby Flowers). All ayes, motion carries.  
A. Checks dated 062521 for \$10,260.32  
B. Checks dated 070921 for \$10,110.37

**OVER 60 DAYS PAST DUE INVOICE(S)**

Ruby Flowers moved to approve payment of past due invoice A (Second by Teri Smith). All ayes, motion carries.

A. NIPSCO	Invoice# 400254	\$9,962.51
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**OLD BUSINESS: NONE**

**EXECUTIVE REPORT:** Natalie states that the Marina had a serious problem with seaweed but this problem has been resolved and the seaweed has been removed and treatment on the seaweed has been taken care of. Rose Alexander stated that the contractor left the seaweed on the dock over the weekend and came back to remove it on Monday. Rose also stated that when the contractor came back a second time and removed the seaweed some boaters had to come along and clean it up and placed it in the garbage and sat there. Natalie stated that seaweed doesn't belong in the trash and that the garbage workers will not pick it up. She also stated to the boaters that if they have any problems that they should call her directly so that issue can be resolved in a timely fashion. Natalie states that the geese are out of control and pooping everywhere. Her staff is out cleaning the poop and power washing things down but we are looking for new ways to treat this problem. Marino suggested that maybe the Marina should look into a sweeper. The beach is still closed due to Covid. Our health officer is monitoring East Chicago Covid cases and acting accordingly. The city is hiring and we are looking for help here at the Marina. Nata

**CORRESPONDENCE: NONE**

**REMARKS/ PUBLIC COMMENT:**

**NEXT MEETING:** August 18<sup>th</sup>, 2021 @ 5:00 p.m.

**Teri Smith moved to adjourn (second by Ron Squok). All ayes, Meeting adjourned**