

**SSCVA Regular Board of Directors Meeting**  
**7770 Corinne Dr. Hammond, IN**  
**May 28, 2026**

1. WELCOME

a. Roll Call

- i. In attendance: BLACKWELL, BRASHIER, CASH, EVANS, GRISOLIA, HOLMES, MALONEY, PATENA, QUNELL, ROBERTS, SCHUFFERT, SEGARRA, SPENCER, WHITE, WIESER
- ii. Absent: BONDS, ESPINO, KLIDERIS, VELLIGAN
- iii. Staff: PHIL TAILLON, HEATHER BECERRA, STEPHANIE SMITH, KRISTIN TAYLOR, NIKKI LOPEZ, NICOLE WOLVERTON

b. Pledge of Allegiance

2. REPORTS

a. CEO Report

- i. Appearance on WJOB this morning to counter misinformation about the Convention Center.
- ii. Mentions completing the third CDME course and attending the Convention Center Summit to learn about marketing strategies.
- iii. Discusses the importance of aggressive and proactive marketing for the new convention center.
- iv. Continue to attend events throughout the county and meet with elected officials and legislators.
- v. Twilight Show sponsorships and the upcoming Friday night show featuring four acts, including drone and pyrotechnics.

b. CFO Report

i. Innkeepers

- 1. \$202,000 increase in innkeepers tax collections over the last four months, driven by Airbnb's and VRBOs.

ii. Financial Update

- 1. Slightly higher claims this month due to an extra week and semi-annual bond payments.

c. Approval of claims #2914-2916,31636-32329 in the amount of \$1,247,781.05

- i. Motion made by **SCHUFFERT** to approve claims, seconded by **SEGARRA**. Approved unanimously.

d. Staff Reports – In BOD packet

e. Committee Reports

3. OLD BUSINESS

a. None

4. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Approval of Meeting Minutes April 16, 2026
    - i. Motion made by **BRASHIER** to approve minutes, seconded by **BLACKWELL**. Approved unanimously.
  - b. Approval of Resolution 2026-5-28 A resolution authorizing the SSCVA to enter into an Intergovernmental agreement with the LCRBDC regarding temporary access and use of the SSCCA parking lot to assist in the Kennedy Ave. sandbar remediation project.
  - c. Approval of Resolution 2026-5-29. A resolution authorizing the LCRCDC to enter an Intergovernmental agreement with the SSCVA regarding the temporary access and use of the SSCVA parking lot to assist in the Kennedy Ave. sandbar remediation.
    - i. Combined 2026-5-28 A & 2026-5-29
      - 1. Motion made by **BLACKWELL** to approve resolution 2026-5-28 A & 2026-5-29, seconded by **HOLMES**. Approved unanimously.
  - d. Employment Contract Agreement
    - i. Motion made by **MALONEY** to approve contract, seconded by **SCHUFFERT**. Approved unanimously.
5. PRESENTATION
- a. None
6. PUBLIC COMMENT
- a. Two (2) minutes maximum per person or five (5) minutes for a group spokesperson. Please keep your comments civil and constructive to policy issues. The Chair, at his/her sole discretion, may recognize individuals wishing to speak on different topics.
  - b. New Regular Meeting- Date: June 18, 2026 at 12:00 pm at the Indiana Welcome Center.
7. ADJOURNMENT
- a. Motion made by **SCHUFFERT** to adjourn, seconded by **MALONEY**.