

**CENTRAL LOUISIANA REGIONAL PORT**

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**October 25, 2017**

The Central Louisiana Regional Port Board of Commissioners convened 8:05 AM, October 25, 2017, at the Port Central Office, 600 River Port Road, Alexandria, Louisiana.

**Present were:** Norman Welch, President; Dave Clabo, Michael Grant, Dr. Haywood Joiner; Corey Lair; Bryon Salazar; John Scott, Terry Spruill, Blake Cooper, Executive Director

**Absent:** Jesse Doyle, Basil Smith

**Also Present:** John Ryland, Provosty, Sadler; Keith Hillman, MMLH; Dustin Matthews, CLEDA; Steve Davison, Cool Planet; Brandon Monceaux, Monceaux-Buller; Stephanie Ryland, CLRP

Roll called by Stephanie Ryland

Upon establishing a quorum, the meeting was called to order by President Norman Welch.

Invocation given by President Norman Welch

Pledge of Allegiance led by Commissioner Dave Clabo

Guest welcomed by President Norman Welch

*{New CLRP Commissioner John Scott, appointed by the City of Alexandria, - replaced Henry Williams}*

**VI. Action Items:**

- a. Agenda: Motion by C. Lair, seconded by B. Salazar to approve agenda as proposed; motion carried without opposition.
- b. Minutes: Motion by H. Joiner, seconded by T. Spruill to approve minutes of meeting held on September 27, 2017; motion carried without opposition.
- c. Financial: Motion by C. Lair, seconded by B. Salazar to approve financial statements for September 2017; motion carried without opposition.
- d. Motion by C. Lair, seconded by D. Clabo to approve the Personnel Committee's recommendation for Resolution 2017 - 5 establishing an employee retirement program and further authorizing the Executive Director to serve as the Plan's administrator;

Roll Call was held for the approved motion as follows for Agenda Item 'd':

Yays - Norman Welch, Haywood Joiner, Terry Spruill, Dave Clabo, Michael Grant, Corey Lair, Bryon Salazar, John Scott

Nays - none

Absent - Jesse Doyle, Basil Smith

- e. Motion by D. Clabo, seconded by H. Joiner to approve Resolution 2017 - 6 for the warehouse expansion and port improvement project and authorize the Executive Director to submit all required documents to appropriate entities including the "Notice to Award" and execute any other contract documents related to this award;

Roll Call was held for the approved motion as follows for Agenda Item 'e':

Yays - Norman Welch, Haywood Joiner, Terry Spruill, Dave Clabo, Michael Grant, Corey Lair, Bryon Salazar, John Scott

Nays - none

Absent - Jesse Doyle, Basil Smith

- f. Motion by D. Clabo, seconded by T. Spruill to approve Resolution 2017 - 7 authorizing the Executive Director to enter into an intergovernmental agreement with the City of Alexandria regarding use of city-owned property for the upcoming military rotation;

Roll Call was held for the approved motion as follows for Agenda Item 'f':

Yays - Norman Welch, Haywood Joiner, Terry Spruill, Dave Clabo, Michael Grant, Corey Lair, Bryon Salazar, John Scott

Nays - none

Absent - Jesse Doyle, Basil Smith

- g. Motion by C. Lair, seconded by D. Clabo to authorize the executive director to execute an amendment to the existing CEA or enter into a new CEA with the Red River Waterway Commission relative to the warehouse expansion and Port improvement project; motion carried without opposition.

VII. Comments:

- a. Comments by Port Director – B. Cooper provided port updates.
- b. Comments by Legal – none
- c. Comments by Economic Development – D. Matthews provided an update.
- d. Comments / Questions by Commissioners
- e. Comments by public (limited to 3 minutes per person, not to exceed 30 minutes)

There being no further business to come before the board, D. Clabo motioned to adjourn, seconded by T. Spruill, meeting was adjourned by Norman Welch, President at 8:42 AM.

Next meeting date November 15, 2017.

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Norman E. Welch, Jr, President