

CENTRAL LOUISIANA REGIONAL PORT

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

March 24, 2021

The Central Louisiana Regional Port Board of Commissioners convened at 8:00 AM, March 24, 2021, at the Port Central Office, 600 River Port Road, Alexandria, Louisiana.

Present were: Dr. Paul Coreil, Michael Grant, Dr. Haywood Joiner, Daniel Lonsberry, Gil McKee, John Scott, Basil Smith, Terry Spruill, Norman Welch

Absent: Corey Lair

Also Present: Ben, Russo, CLRP Executive Director; John Ryland, Provosty, Sadler; Keith Hillman, MMLH; Randy Humphries; CLRP; Stephanie Ryland, CLRP

Roll called by Stephanie Ryland

Upon establishing a quorum, the meeting was called to order by President Terry Spruill.

Invocation was given by Commissioner Haywood Joiner

Pledge of Allegiance led by Commissioner Paul Coreil

President Spruill offered a Public Comment Period Pursuant to LRS 42:14; there were none.

VI. Action Items:

Motion by Commissioner G. McKee, seconded by Commissioner M. Grant to add agenda item “m” for crane repairs.

Roll call for the motion was unanimous as follows:

Yeas: Dr. Paul Coreil, Michael Grant, Dr. Haywood Joiner, Daniel Lonsberry, Gil McKee, John Scott, Basil Smith, Terry Spruill, Norman Welch

Nays: none

Absent: Corey Lair

- a. Agenda: Motion by Commissioner P. Coreil, seconded by Commissioner N. Welch, to approve agenda as proposed; motion carried without opposition.
- b. Minutes: Motion by Commissioner J. Scott, seconded by Commissioner G. McKee, to approve Minutes of the regularly scheduled meeting held on February 24, 2021; motion carried without opposition.
- c. Financial: Motion by Commissioner H. Joiner, seconded by Commissioner J. Scott, to approve financial statements for February 2021; motion carried without opposition.
- d. Financial: Motion by Commissioner J. Scott, seconded by Commissioner N. Welch, to amend and adopt the 2020-2021 Budget as proposed; motion carried without opposition.
- e. Financial: Motion by Commissioner N. Welch, seconded by Commissioner J. Scott, to approve the 2021-2022 Budget as proposed; motion carried without opposition.
- f. Motion by Commissioner N. Welch, seconded by Commissioner P. Coreil, to approve the Nominating Committee’s recommendation beginning May 2021 for a two-year period ending April 2023; motion carried as follows:

President, Dr. Haywood Joiner

Vice-President, Daniel Lonsberry

Secretary/Treasurer, John Scott

- g. Motion by Commissioner J. Scott seconded by Commissioner B. Smith, to accept the Personnel Committee’s recommendation for a 2.5% cost of living increase for all employees. Additional increase for performance evaluations as follows, the Executive Director increase 7.5% for a total of 10%; Property Manager and Executive Assistant to receive 1.5% totally 4% each. Discussion was held regarding the previously discussed possible increase for the executive assistant; Personnel Chairman B. Smith is to review Minutes and/or voice recordings of August 26, 2020, Board Meeting prior to next Board Meeting and provide an updated recommendation; motion carried.

- h. Motion by Commissioner H. Joiner, seconded by Commissioner B. Smith, to approve **RESOLUTION 2021-2** the Executive Director to execute all documents relating to Louisiana State Project Number H.011394(325) (Phase V) Repurposing 612 Building, State Project Number H.011394(326) (Phase VI) Repurposing 620 Building and State Project Number H.011394(327) (Phase VII) Production Facility.

Roll call for the motion was unanimous as follows for Agenda Item “h”:

Yeas: Dr. Paul Coreil, Michael Grant, Dr. Haywood Joiner, Daniel Lonsberry, Gil McKee, John Scott, Basil Smith, Terry Spruill, Norman Welch

Nays: none

Absent: Corey Lair

- i. Motion by Commissioner G. McKee, seconded by Commissioner B. Smith, to approve **RESOLUTION 2021-3** authorizing the Executive Director to execute all documents relating to a CEA with RRWC for LaDOTD’s Port Priority Projects (Phases V, VI, VII).

Roll call for the motion was unanimous as follows for Agenda Item “i”:

Yeas: Dr. Paul Coreil, Michael Grant, Dr. Haywood Joiner, Daniel Lonsberry, Gil McKee, John Scott, Basil Smith, Terry Spruill, Norman Welch

Nays: none

Absent: Corey Lair

- j. Motion Commissioner J. Scott, seconded by Commissioner P. Coreil to accept Meyer, Meyer, LaCroix & Hixson as Engineer on Record for State Project Number H.011394(325) (Phase V) Repurposing 612 Building; motion carried without opposition.
- k. Motion by Commissioner M. Grant, seconded by Commissioner D. Lonsberry to approve proposed insurance coverage from Travelers for CLRP property, inland marine, marine general liability and hired/non-owned auto liability policies as presented by McGriff Insurance Company; motion carried without opposition.
- l. Motion by Commissioner P. Coreil, seconded by Commissioner J. Scott to approve the Town Talk as the official journal; motion carried without opposition.
- m. Motion by Commissioner J. Scott, seconded by Commissioner G. McKee to approve repairs to cranes provided by Standard Crane & Hoist with the lowest quote of \$ 7,777.00; motion carried.

VII. Comments:

- a. Comments by Executive Director, Ben Russo –Port updates were provided
- b. Comments by Legal – no comments
- c. Comments by Economic Development - none
- d. Comments / Questions by Commissioners –Comments by public (limited to 3 minutes per person, not to exceed 30 minutes) – none.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Commissioner G. McKee, motioned to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner J. Scott; meeting was adjourned by President Spruill at 9:09 AM.

Next meeting scheduled for April 28, 2021.

Terry Spruill, President