

CENTRAL LOUISIANA REGIONAL PORT

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

August 15, 2025
SPECIAL MEETING

The Central Louisiana Regional Port Board of Commissioners convened at 8:00 AM, August 15, 2025, at the Port Central Office, 600 River Port Road, Alexandria, Louisiana.

Present were: Paul Coreil, Mike Grant, Brannin Leglue, Gil McKee, John Scott, Basil Smith, Terry Spruill

Absent: Bo Douglas, Larry Turner

Also Present: Ben, Russo, CLRP Executive Director; Stephanie Ryland, CLRP Executive Assistant

Roll called by Stephanie Ryland

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

The invocation was given by Commissioner B. Smith who offered prayers for the loss of Dr. Haywood Joiner.

Pledge of Allegiance led by President Terry Spruill

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

VI. Action Items:

- a. Agenda - Motion by Commissioner G. McKee, seconded by Commissioner J. Scott, to approve the agenda as proposed; motion carried.
- b. Minutes - Motion by Commissioner B. Smith, seconded by Commissioner M. Grant, to approve Minutes of the regularly scheduled meeting held on July 23, 2025; motion carried.
- c. Motion by Commissioner G. McKee, seconded by Commissioner B. Leglue to rescind RESOLUTION 2025-4 previously approved on March 26, 2025, authorizing the Executive Director to submit an application with DRA. Modifications were made by DRA which requires a new resolution; motion passed.
- d. Motion by Commissioner P. Coreil, seconded by Commissioner J. Scott to approve **RESOLUTION 2025-9** authorizing the Executive Director, Ben Russo, to submit an application with DRA for Community Infrastructure Fund grant with modifications provided by DRA. The Executive Director stated that the DRA requested to increase the match from 10% to 20%.

ROLL CALL VOTE was held for the approved motion with the following results:

Yays – Paul Coreil, Mike Grant, Brannin Leglue, Gil McKee, John Scott, Basil Smith, Terry Spruill

Nays – none

Absent – Bo Douglas, Larry Turner

Abstain – none

VVII. Comments:

- a. Comments by Executive Director: none
- b. Legal Counsel – none
- c. Comments by Economic Development – none
- d. Comments from Elected Officials – none
- e. Comments by public– none
- f. Comments / Questions by Commissioners – none

There being no further business to come before the Board, Commissioner P. Coreil, motioned to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner G. McKee. This Special meeting of August 15, 2025, was adjourned by President T. Spruill at 8:02 AM

Terry Spruill, President