CENTRAL LOUISIANA REGIONAL PORT

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

October 28, 2026

The Central Louisiana Regional Port Board of Commissioners convened at 8:04 AM, October 28, 2026, at the Port Central Office, 600 River Port Road, Alexandria, Louisiana.

Present were: Paul Coreil, Mike Grant, Brannin Leglue, Gil McKee, John Scott, Terry Spruill, Larry Turner, John L. VanMol, Jr., Basil Smith (arrived at 8:07)

Absent: none

Also Present: Ben Russo, CLRP Executive Director; John Ryland; Attorney; Luke Miller, MMLH; Stephanie Ryland, CLRP.

Roll called by Stephanie Ryland

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

The invocation was given by Commissioner Paul Coreil.

Pledge of Allegiance was 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 J. VanMol seconded by Commissioner M. Grant, to approve the agenda as proposed; motion carried with no opposition.

b) Minutes - Motion by Commissioner P. Coreil seconded by Commissioner B. Leglue, to approve Minutes of the regularly scheduled meeting held on September 30, 2026; motion carried.

c) Motion by Commissioner G. McKee seconded by Commissioner J. Scott, to approve financial report for the month of September 2026; motion carried.

- The port received clean audit opinions on both its standard financial audit and its federal Single Audit.
- A federal Single Audit was mandatory because federal grant expenditures exceeded the $750,000 threshold within the fiscal year.
- Administrative staff (specifically Stephanie) was recognized for rigorous documentation and internal accounting controls.

d) Motion by Commissioner M. Grant seconded by Commissioner L. Turner, to approve **RESOLUTION 2026-22** authorizing an agreement and designation of person authorized to sign relative documents with LaDOTD's Port Priority Program SPN: H.017117.

ROLL CALL VOTE was held for the approved motion with the following unanimous results:
Yays – P. Coreil, M. Grant, B. Leglue, G. McKee, J. Scott, B. Smith, T. Spruill, L. Turner, J. VanMol
Nays – none
Absent – none
Abstain – none

e) Motion by Commissioner G. McKee seconded by Commissioner M. Grant, to approve **RESOLUTION 2026-23** accepting Change Order No. 5 to the Electrical Substation Manufacturing Facility, Mfg. and Assembly Buildings, Phase 1 of SPN H.015981 (321) under the Port Priority Program.

ROLL CALL VOTE was held for the approved motion with the following unanimous results:
Yays – P. Coreil, M. Grant, B. Leglue, G. McKee, J. Scott, B. Smith, T. Spruill, L. Turner, J. VanMol
Nays – none
Absent – none
Abstain – none

f) Motion by Commissioner B. Leglue seconded by Commissioner P. Coreil, to approve **RESOLUTION 2026-24** accepting Change Order No. 2 to the Electrical Substation Manufacturing Facility, Warehouse Buildings, Phase 2 of SPN H.015981 (322) under the Port Priority Program.

ROLL CALL VOTE was held for the approved motion with the following unanimous results:
Yays – P. Coreil, M. Grant, B. Leglue, G. McKee, J. Scott, B. Smith, T. Spruill, L. Turner, J. VanMol
Nays – none
Absent – none
Abstain – none

g) Motion by Commissioner P. Coreil seconded by Commissioner J. VanMol , to approve **RESOLUTION 2026-25**, authorizing the advertisement for bids for the Portable Multimodal Transloading Equipment Fixed Weight Hopper under the MARAD FY 2025 Port Infrastructure Development Program (PIDP), Grant No. 693JF72440046.

ROLL CALL VOTE was held for the approved motion with the following unanimous results:
Yays – P. Coreil, M. Grant, B. Leglue, G. McKee, J. Scott, B. Smith, T. Spruill, L. Turner, J. VanMol
Nays – none
Absent – none
Abstain – none

h) Motion by Commissioner B. Smith seconded by Commissioner J. Scott to approve Change Order No. 1 to the Central Louisiana Regional Port - Enhancing Resilience & Multimodal Capacity Project (EDA No. ED24AUS0G0108) in the amount of $297,076; motion carried.

VVII. Comments:

a. Comments by Executive Director:

Industrial Construction & Capital Equipment Deliveries

- DIS-TRAN facility construction milestones:
  - 80,000 sq ft main facility: Scheduled for substantial structural completion in December.
  - 25,000 sq ft secondary facility: Structural steel erection commencing; anticipated completion in early January 2027.
  - Secondary building across the road: Slated for substantial completion in March.
  - Tenant timeline: DIS-TRAN plans internal floor striping and security installations, with final relocation from the existing port building targeted for March 2027.
- Heavy yard development:
  - Rising substation equipment sales necessitate additional heavy-capacity yard space; port staff is drafting a Request for Proposals (RFP) to engineer and construct new reinforced hardstand.
- Major equipment delivery:
  - New heavy-capacity cargo crane and forklift remain on schedule; manufacturer billing will not commence until on-site delivery in January 2027.

Port Security Enhancements

- Security grant opportunities:
  - Federal authorities recommended the port leverage its critical infrastructure and military rotation status to apply for federal Port Security Grant Program (PSGP) funding.
  - Grant targets will include high-definition perimeter camera systems, thermal analytics, and access-control infrastructure across rural property boundaries.

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 G. McKee, motioned to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner L. Turner. This meeting of October 28, 2026, was adjourned by President T. Spruill at 8:37 AM.

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Terry Spruill, President