WEST ST. MARY PARISH PORT, HARBOR AND TERMINAL DISTRICT

MEETING MINUTES

May 5, 2026

6:00 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Joe Duck, President of the Port Commission. Mr. Duck led in the Pledge of Allegiance. Mr. Druilhet gave the Invocation. A roll call resulted in the following:

Present:	Absent:
Greg Paul	Joseph Tabb
Benny Druilhet	
Della Derouen	
Joe Duck	
Wilson Terry	
Morris Beverly	
David Hanagriff	
Joel Authement	

Also present at the meeting were Mr. Reid Miller of Miller Engineers, Mr. Eric Duplantis, Port Attorney, Mr. David Naquin, Executive Director and Ms. Rebecca Pellerin, Office Manager of the Port Commission.

A motion was made by Ms. Derouen to dispense with the reading of the April 7, 2026 meeting minutes and to accept them as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Beverly. Mr. Duck asked if there were any questions or comments – there were none. The motion carried unanimously.

There was no public comment.

A motion was made by Mr. Terry to authorize Mr. Naquin to sign a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement as required by Louisiana Department of the Treasury for a grant of $30,000 for a water equipment and weather station to be installed at the Port's Louisa campus. The motion was seconded by Mr. Hanagriff. Mr. Duck asked if there were any questions or comments – there was none. The motion carried unanimously

A motion was made by Mr. Druilhet to adopt a resolution authorizing the Port of West St. Mary to submit an application to the Louisiana Port Construction and Development Priority program for assistance in the implementation of a Port improvement project. Mr. Naquin explained that the project being considered is for $1.2 million to add a railroad spur at the Louisa location to store rail cars for Orion. Discussion followed. The motion was seconded by Ms. Derouen. Mr. Duck asked if there were any questions or comments – there were none. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Naquin reported that the Port's water plant received an "A" 99 on its Water Grade. He also reported that all of the new water meters have been installed. He said that he would contact Louisiana

Rural Water concerning a water rate study in the near future. He also reported that there was a power surge that caused a power outage at the Water Plant recently. The power outage damaged the control panel on the water well. The necessary repairs were made to the control panel within a short period of time and no customers were affected. Mr. Naquin has filed an insurance claim for the damages with the insurance policy having a $5,000 deductible. Discussion followed. He further reported that LDH will be conducting a Sanitary Survey at the Water Plant in the near future. Mr. Naquin thanked Mr. Authement for the extra points on the water grade that was earned by him taking a training class and Mr. Authement commended Brad Vosburgh, Water Plant Operator for the good job he does taking care of the Water Plant.

Mr. Naquin reported that the new tenant at Louisa has pushed his start date to June 1st. The property is located at the end of the dock.

A motion was made by Ms. Derouen to issue a Letter of No Objection to the Corps of Engineers on behalf of CLECO. The motion was seconded by Mr. Terry. Mr. Duck asked if there were any questions or comments – there were none. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Ms. Derouen to pay Request for Payment #6 in the amount of $3980.20 to Miller Engineers for the Dredging project. The motion was seconded by Mr. Beverly. Mr. Duck asked if there were any questions or comments – there were none. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Mr. Paul to pay Request for Payment #3 (final payment) to Southern Constructors in the amount of $24,532.00 for the Mooring Project. The motion was seconded by Ms. Derouen. Mr. Duck asked if there were any questions or comments – there were none. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Duplantis reminded the Commissioners to file their Financial Disclosure reports by May 15th.

Mr. Miller updated the Commission on the Port Channel dredging project. He reported that the State has determined the spoil disposal area is a fastlands which means it has no interconnectivity to their jurisdiction on waters so there will be no wetland impact on the state level. The Corps of Engineers has determined that the area is not a part of any right of way that they have and are reviewing the wetland delineation that was submitted to them. Discussion followed.

Mr. Hanagriff told the Commissioners that he has been working on an Employment Contract for Mr. Naquin and that he would email the contract to them for their review and comment and would like to introduce the contract at the next Port Commission meeting.

There being no further business to be discussed, a motion was made by Mr. Terry to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Derouen. Mr. Duck asked if there were any questions or comments – there were none. The motion carried unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 6:21 p.m.

Signed Della Derouen

Della Derouen, Secretary