

WEST ST. MARY PARISH PORT, HARBOR AND TERMINAL DISTRICT

MEETING MINUTES

AUGUST 4, 2020

6:00 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Wilson Terry, President of the Port Commission. Mr. Terry led in the Pledge of Allegiance. Mr. Willie Peters gave the Invocation. A roll call resulted in the following:

Present:

Calvin Deshotel  
Donna Lanceslin  
Ralph Longman  
Willie Peters  
Joe Phillips  
Murphy Pontiff  
Joseph Tabb  
Wilson Terry

Absent:

Greg Paul

Also present at the meeting were Ms. Marguerite Robinson of Teche Talk, Mr. Reid Miller of Miller Engineers, Ms. Benita Prevost, Secretary, Mr. David Allain, Executive Director, and Ms. Rebecca Pellerin, Office Manager of the Port Commission.

A motion was made by Mr. Tabb to dispense with the reading of the July 7, 2020 meeting minutes and to accept them as presented. The motion was seconded by Ms. Lanceslin. Mr. Terry asked if there was any discussion or opposition. There was none. The motion carried unanimously.

There was no public comment.

Mr. Allain reported that at last month's meeting, the Port Commission approved roof repairs to the Marine Turbine Technologies building at the Port site in Louisa.

Mr. Miller reported that the Contractor visited the site and took field measurements and expects that a Pre-Construction meeting will be scheduled within a couple of weeks.

Mr. Allain reported on the Industrial Park – he has received a couple inquiries in the last two weeks regarding leasing options. Patriot Construction, who was interested in leasing property at the Port in Louisa, is interested in leasing the Industrial Park dock for transloading equipment. He said that he has received a Letter of Intent from Patriot Construction and that they plan to make a final decision by mid month. Patriot is interested in leasing three acres of property and the dock. Mr. Allain quoted them a one year lease at the rate of \$25,920 annually. A motion was made by Mr. Pontiff to sign a Letter of Intent with Patriot Construction. The motion was seconded by Mr. Longman. Mr. Terry asked for any discussion on the motion. Mr. Peters asked if Patriot would make sure that the area was restored to its original condition upon their exit and Mr. Allain assured him that they would and that language would be included in the lease if they choose to lease the property. Mr. Terry asked if there was any more discussion. There was none. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Allain also reported that he had received another inquiry regarding leasing the Industrial Park and plans to meet with this prospect on Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. Allain gave an update on the Port's FEMA claim for Hurricane Barry and reported that there are items outstanding, but as of today the Port has received \$88,529.39 for damages caused by the Hurricane.

A motion was made by Mr. Deshotel to issue a Letter of No Objection as requested by the City of Franklin for the construction of a canoe dock/fishing pier at the head of the Franklin Canal. The motion was seconded by Mr. Longman. Mr. Terry asked if there was any discussion or objections. There was none. The motion carried unanimously.

There was no Attorney's report as Mr. Duplantis was not in attendance.

Mr. Miller reported that he received an email from Ms. Corey Dunn with the Economic Development Administration regarding the Training Facility to be built at the Port's Baldwin facility. Ms. Dunn stated that her office is close to making its

final approval of the project, but that they would need a little more time. He said as soon as approval has been received, his office is ready to advertise the project.

There being no further business to be discussed, a motion was made by Mr. Deshotel to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Longman. Mr. Terry asked if there was any discussion or opposition. There was none. The motion carried unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_  
Joseph Tabb, Secretary