

**PROCEEDINGS OF A REGULAR MEETING OF  
THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF  
THE MORGAN CITY HARBOR AND TERMINAL DISTRICT  
October 14, 2019**

The Board of Commissioners ("Board") of the Morgan City Harbor and Terminal District ("District") met in regular session at the District's office at 7327 Highway 182, Morgan City, Louisiana on October 14, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. Joseph Cain, President, convened the meeting with Commissioners Lee Dragna, Deborah Garber, Tim Matthews, Sr., Ben Adams, Adam Mayon, Pete Orlando, Steven Cornes and Troy Lombardo in attendance. Also present at the meeting were Raymond Wade, Executive Director; Tori Henry, Office Manager; Cindy Cutrera, Manager of Economic Development; Jennifer Reasoner and Gerard Bourgeois, Board Attorneys; CDR Heather Mattern, United States Coast Guard ("USCG"); Tim Connell, U. S. Army Corps of Engineers; Jon McVay, Brice Civil Constructors; Michael Knobloch, Knobloch Professional; Clay Breaud, GSE/Providence Engineering; Councilman Louis Tamporello, City of Morgan City; Greg Lindscombe, Continental Land and Fur; along with members of the media and general public.

The meeting was called to order and the presence of a quorum was noted. Raymond Wade led the invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

It was moved by Mr. Mayon and seconded by Mr. Lombardo that the minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 9, 2019 be approved and adopted, with said motion carrying unanimously.

It was moved by Mr. Orlando that the report of receipts and disbursements for the month of September, 2019 be received and accepted and that all invoices presented to the Board for the month of September, 2019 be paid. Mr. Cornes seconded that motion, which carried unanimously.

Heather Mattern reported that: (i) there is lots of shoaling at Stouts Pass, 20 Grande and Mile Marker 99. The AXE and ANT teams are marking the areas as they are made aware; and (ii) they have assisted with inspection of Brice's dredge.

Tim Connell reported that: (i) the Jadwin will return to dredge Stouts Pass at the end of the month for no less than 10 days but hopefully more; (ii) Inland River dredge was awarded the task order of Berwick Harbor but will likely not arrive until mid-November; (iii) the Atchafalaya River received no funds from \$980 million supplemental package for high water and Hurricane Barry. He believes we should sit on the Bayou Chene dredging contract until we see what happens with funding; (iv) Brice dredge has had issue, after issue, after issue with equipment but once complete will perform testing of the equipment before moving to the Bar Channel. Jon McVay noted that he appreciates our patience and understands our frustrations; and (v) work on the Bayou Boeuf guide wall continues.

Mike Knobloch reported that: (i) we have applied to DOJ for the Gulf States Regional Law Enforcement Technology Assistance Initiative grant for two years of costs related to TACCS licenses and vendor support; and (ii) we will be submitting a letter of intent to NOAA for two years of funding the maintenance of our MET stations. If accepted, we will be invited to submit the full application.

Clay Breaud reported that: (i) a notice to proceed was issued to Byron E. Talbot, with work to be completed by January 11<sup>th</sup> on Phase II – Aggregate loading/unloading areas; and (ii) we are still waiting on the Geotech information for Phase III – East Dock Expansion.

Cindy Cutrera reported that: (i) due to not receiving supplemental funding, we began letter writing campaign to our delegation; (ii) Senator Cassidy's staff from Washington, DC, Baton Rouge and Lafayette visited the Port and received a briefing from Mac and Tim Matte, then toured the Port District; (iii) we will be applying for capital outlay funding through the State in the amount of \$3,750,000 over a three-year period for maintenance dredging of the Atchafalaya River navigational channels. We have received support letters from Senator Allain and St. Mary Parish. We also expect to receive letters from Representatives Jones and Amedee, as well as a Resolution of Support from St. Mary Parish Tourism Commission; (iv) She and Mac attended the National Waterways Conference in Memphis and were able to visit with General Toy, Colonel Murphy, R.D. James and Charles Brittingham; (v) CPRA is currently accepting suggestions for Atchafalaya River Basin annual review through November 1<sup>st</sup>; and (vi) mayors from Berwick and Morgan City will be recognized at the November Chamber Luncheon by LED Secretary Don Pierson, recognizing them as Louisiana Development Ready Communities as a result of the ULI study initiated by St. Mary Excel.


Gerard Bourgeois presented: (i) a resolution justifying the need for dredging funds through the State Capital Outlay program in the amount of \$3,750,000 over a three-year period for maintenance dredging of Atchafalaya River navigational channels. Mr. Orlando moved to authorize said resolution, which was seconded by Mr. Cornes and carried unanimously.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that staff of the Morgan City Harbor and Terminal District ("District") is hereby authorized and empowered to make all such necessary filings with the State of Louisiana, Division of Administration seeking funding of \$3,750,000 from Capital Outlay to assist the District with maintenance dredging of Atchafalaya River navigational channels.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, Raymond M. Wade, Executive Director, be authorized and directed to do any and all acts and things necessary, proper, or that may be required to carry out and accomplish the transaction contemplated with regards to said servitude.

Gerard Bourgeois also presented (ii) A Right of Entry (ROE) with the Corps of Engineers for disposal easements for the Atchafalaya River and Bayous Chene, Boeuf, and Black Navigation Project. Mr. Mayon moved to authorize Mr. Cain to execute said ROE, which was seconded by Mr. Dragna and carried unanimously.

Attest:

  
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Timothy Matthews, Sr., Secretary