PROCEEDINGS OF A REGULAR MEETING OF

**THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF**

**THE MORGAN CITY HARBOR AND TERMINAL DISTRICT**

**February 12, 2018**

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 February 12, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. Duane Lodrigue, President, convened the meeting with Commissioners, Gary Duhon, Thomas Ackel, Joseph Cain, Tim Matthews, Sr. and Adam Mayon. Deborah Garber, Ben Adams and Lee Dragna were absent. Also present at the meeting were Raymond Wade, Executive Director; Tori Henry, Office Manager; Cindy Cutrera, Manager of Economic Development; Gerard Bourgeois and Jennifer Reasoner, Board Attorneys; Commander Heather Mattern, United States Coast Guard (“USCG”); Clay Breaud, GSE/Providence Engineering; Councilman Tamporella, City of Morgan City; Brenton Jenkins, GIS; along with members of the media and general public.

The meeting was called to order without the presence of a quorum. Mr. Wade led the invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Commander Mattern reported that: (i) the transition of personnel from Morgan City to Houma took place last week but that there are still 80 plus strong in Morgan City; (ii) on March 1st they will hold a Towing Vessel Industry Day at the AARP building to advise industry of the new Subchapter M implementation on towing vessels.

Tim Connell reported via telephone conference that: (i) the FY19 Corps budget was released today, which was almost doubled to $12,675,000. Mr. Wade thanked Colonel Clancey and the District staff, General Kaiser and the Division staff and Headquarters for all of their hard work to make this happen and noted now it’s up to the Port to generate the dollars to get business back in this area. (ii) they have not heard anything on the requested supplemental funds for FY18 yet; (iii) they will be “pursuing an equitable adjustment” for the Dredge *Borinquen*’s less than acceptable progress due to numerous mechanical/electrical/hydraulic issues; (iv) the specification RFP package for the Special Purpose Dredge procurement is out for internal review and the contracting department has been in contact with Seattle division of the Corps, who communicates with BRICE; (v) the contributed funds agreement is completed, executed by Colonel Clancey and is awaiting signature by the Port when funds are required. During the presentation by Tim Connell, the presence of a quorum was noted.

It was moved by Mr. Duhon and seconded by Mr. Cain that the minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 8, 2018 and Special Meeting of December 21, 2017 be approved and adopted, with said motion carrying unanimously.

It was moved by Mr. Ackel that the report of receipts and disbursements for the month of January 2018 be received and accepted and that all invoices presented to the Board for the month of January 2018 be paid. Mr. Matthews seconded that motion, which carried unanimously.

Mike Knobloch reported that the FY16 Port Security Grant three installation projects are almost completed and the two maintenance projects are ongoing.

Clay Breaud and Mr. Wade met with the contractor to separate the different phases of the repairs on Youngs Road. He will re-evaluate the phases, review the final figures and make a recommendation to the board next month.

Brenton Jenkins reported that they met with Secretary Harris of DNR on January 11th and are awaiting an exemption from the State’s beneficial use requirements; which has been given to the Corps.

Cindy Cutrera reported that: (i) she, Mac and Tim Connell met with Waterborne Commerce to discuss tonnage and developed a new slogan for the Port, “When you don’t report, it affects your Port!” They are also preparing comments for the upcoming meeting this week with Corps District and Division staffers on tonnage report from WCSC, as well as back up information on Crew Boat Cut, beneficial use and economic impact; (ii) the CWPPRA III Regional meeting was held at our EOC and Randy Moertle of Point Au Fer proposed a project to send sediment from the Lower Atchafalaya River to Point Au Fer by pipeline. Mart Black of Terrebonne was concerned because they were still planning a long-distance pipeline from Crew Boat Cut but we mentioned to him that site no longer has material available since the channel realignment in 2014.(iii) In WRDA 2016 a pilot project for beneficial use was introduced and has since shown up in the Federal Register, where they can do some project submissions to the Corps. Once projects are submitted, they will allocate funding. (iv) We met with LA Coastal Services and Micaela Coner of CPRA, project manager to discuss the Increase Atchafalaya to Terrebonne proposed diversion.  The group is looking for feedback on 2 options: one north of the Bayou Boeuf Locks and the other south of the Bayou Boeuf locks and are interviewing landowners then tenants.  They were very receptive to what we had to say and took a lot of notes, which was a much different environment than previous meetings.

Jennifer Reasoner presented: (i) a contract between the District and Callan Marine, LTD, which was the same general agreement as the one approved with Bean Consulting last month. Bean Consulting was purchased by Callan Marine, LTD after our February meeting. Mr. Duhon moved to authorize Mr. Lodrigue to execute said contract between the District and Callan Marine, LTD, which was seconded by Mr. Mayon and carried unanimously.

**RESOLUTION**

A resolution providing for the execution of a consulting agreement for the Morgan City Harbor and Terminal District (“District”), designating the terms and conditions of the contract, and granting the authorization therefor.

WHEREAS, this Board of Commissioners (“Board”) is authorized by the provisions of LSA-R.S. 34:324 to “contract with the employ attorneys, clerks, engineers, deputy commissioners, superintendents, stevedores and other agents and employees and shall fix their compensation and terms of office or employments,” and,

WHEREAS, this Board, after due deliberation deems it necessary that a real and genuine necessity exist therefor, to contract with CALLAN MARINE, LTD. in connection with various matters related to the evaluation of options for better managing of the Atchafalaya River Channel with an emphasis on the use of navigable depth for the District.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the President, Duane E. Lodrigue, be and is hereby authorized and directed to execute on behalf of the District, a consulting agreement with CALLAN MARINE, LTD. for the necessary service relative to the District, substantially in accordance with the terms and conditions of the consulting agreement presented this day.

(ii) a memorial resolution in honor of Doyle Berry, which was unanimously moved, seconded and carried.

**MEMORIAL RESOLUTION**

*WHEREAS, Almighty GOD, in HIS infinite wisdom, bestowed eighty-seven years of earthly life upon DOYLE GALLOWAY BERRY, who departed this earth on February 5, 2018.*

*WHEREAS, DOYLE GALLOWAY BERRY is survived by his sons, Brian Berry, Bert Berry and his wife, Wendy, Scott Berry and his wife, Shanna; his grandchildren, Caitlin Berry, Eleanor Berry, Dillon Berry, Julia Berry, Isabella Berry, Kaylee Champagne, and Cullen Champagne, great-granddaughter, Charlotte Arceneaux, brother, Dr. Gene Berry and his wife, Jolie; and sisters-in-law Iris Berry and Mickey Pearson.*

*WHEREAS, DOYLE GALLOWAY BERRY served in the Navy, made numerous civic and community contributions to our area, never met a stranger, and will be remembered for his desire to help others and his love of God and Country.*

*WHEREAS, DOYLE GALLOWAY BERRY co-founded Berry Bros. General Contractors, Inc. with his brother Everett and was Director for Katy Industries, Chairman of the LA Wildlife and fisheries, Commissioner and officer of the M.C. Harbor and Terminal District for many years, Director of First National Bank, King of Hephaestus, King of the Mystic Krewe of Louisianians in Washington D.C. and was a fellow Mason at numerous lodges.*

*THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners of the Morgan City Harbor and Terminal District and its entire staff, regret and lament that DOYLE GALLOWAY BERRY, has been taken from our midst.*

*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Commissioners and staff of the Port Commission extend their heartfelt sympathy to DOYLE GALLOWAY BERRY’s family; and*

*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution, adopted in regular session by the Board of Commissioners of the Port Commission on the 12th day of February, 2018, be presented to DOYLE GALLOWAY BERRY’s family.*

With no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.

Attest:

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