CENTRAL LOUISIANA REGIONAL PORT

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

August 23, 2023

The Central Louisiana Regional Port Board of Commissioners convened at 8:02 AM, August 23, 2023, at the Port Central Office, 600 River Port Road, Alexandria, Louisiana.

Present were:	Dr. Paul Coreil, Dr. Haywood Joiner, Daniel Lonsberry, Gill McKee, Basil Smith, Terry Spruill, (Larry Turner)
Absent:	Michael Grant, Brannin Leglue, John Scott
Also Present:	Ben, Russo, CLRP Executive Director; John Ryland, Attorney at Provosty, Sadler; Donna Howe, Cong Letlow; Keith Hillman, MMLH; Jeffrey Hess, Helm; Randy Humphries, CLRP; Stephanie Ryland, CLRP

Roll called by Stephanie Ryland

Upon establishing a quorum, the meeting was called to order by President Daniel Lonsberry.

Invocation was given by Commissioner Basil Smith

Pledge of Allegiance led by President Daniel Lonsberry

President Lonsberry offered a Public Comment Period Pursuant to LRS 42:14; there were none.

VI. Action Items:

- a. Agenda: Motion by Commissioner P. Coreil, seconded by Commissioner G. McKee, to approve agenda as proposed; motion carried without opposition.
- b. Minutes: Motion by Commissioner H. Joiner, seconded by Commissioner T. Spruill, to approve Minutes of the regularly scheduled meeting held on July 26, 2023; motion carried without opposition.
- c. Financial: Motion by Commissioner B. Smith, seconded by Commissioner G. McKee, to approve financial statements for July 2023; motion carried without opposition.

(Commissioner Larry Turner, arrived at 8:09)

- d. Motion by Commissioner T. Spruill, seconded by Commissioner G. McKee to authorize the Executive Director to execute all documents relative to the purchase of 45-acre property from Northport Investment; motion carried without opposition.
- e. Motion by Commissioner H. Joiner, seconded by Commissioner G. McKee to award the 2023 Hardstand Additions project as recommended by the Engineer on record; motion carried without opposition.
- f. Motion by Commissioner P. Coreil, seconded by Commissioner T. Spruill to award the High-Water Hardstand and Access Road Clear and Grub project as recommended by the Engineer on record; motion carried without opposition.
- g. Motion by Commissioner B. Smith, seconded by Commissioner G. McKee to approve new vacation policy (Personnel/Employee Handbook 4:31) effective January 1, 2024, for current and future CLRP employees. Discussion was held; motion carried.

VII. Comments:

- a. Comments by Executive Director, Ben Russo provided updates on grant opportunities.
- b. Comments by Legal no comments
- 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 P. Coreil motioned to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner L. Turner. This meeting of August 23, 2023, was adjourned by President Lonsberry at 8:40 AM.

Next meeting scheduled for September 27, 2023.