

***Avoyelles Parish Port Commission  
170 Honeybee Lane  
P.O. Box 126  
Simmesport, Louisiana 71369***

***2024-2025 – Budget Meeting***

May 20, 2024

**I. CALL TO ORDER:**

Chairman, Barry Laiche called to order the 2024-2025 annual budget meeting of the Avoyelles Parish Port Commission, 5:06 p.m. on May 20, 2024, at Port Commission Headquarters 170 Honeybee Lane, Simmesport, Louisiana, 71369.

**II. ROLL CALL:**

Port Director Samuel Ducote conducted the roll call. The following individuals were present giving the meeting a quorum of four commissioners present:

Chairman Barry Laiche

Commissioner Scott Williams

Commissioner Patrick Deshotels

Commissioner Appointee Jason Bordelon

Commissioner Appointee Gerald Ducote

Stacy Auzenne (Port Counsel)

Kasey Meche (Ducote & Company)

**III. PROPOSED BUDGET REVIEW:**

The commissioners were presented with a copy of the 2024-2025 proposed budget to review. Income is expected to stay the same as in the prior year. Expenses were adjusted for inflation from \$182,807.00 to \$201,900.00. A capital outlay of \$70,000.00 is shown in the budget to reflect the upcoming construction of a storage shed for the tractor and other maintenance equipment. Commissioner Williams made the motion to approve the 2024-2025 Port Commission budget as presented. Commissioner Deshotels seconded the motion. There was no

additional discussion. The motion to approve the 2024-2025 budget passed unanimously.

#### **IV. ADJOURN MEETING:**

Commissioner Williams made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Deshotels seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 5:14 p.m.