COLUMBIA PORT COMMISSION August 19,2021 MINUTES

PRESENT AT MEETING:

COMMISSIONERS: DARRON MCGUFFEE, MONTY ADAMS, JR, BRUCE FRAZIER, JOHN COOKSEY AND CHARLES HEARNS

DIRECTOR: GREG RICHARDSON

GUESTS: BOB MEREDITH

Meeting was called to order by Darron McGuffee, Port President in the Police Jury Board Room

(minutes were recorded by device, have not received transcript due to technical difficulties)

READING OF THE MINUTES AND BANK STATEMENTS, **motion was made by Bruce Frazier and Second by John Cooksey to accept documents motion passed**

ITEMS DISCUSSED DURING MEETING

The Port Commission received a Report from its director pertaining to work performed on their behalf to secure grants for infrastructure improvements to the Port. The Port is working on a September 1 deadline to submit the LADOTD Port Priority application, draft applications were reviewed with commissioners. Commissioners request next time to bring more copies to make review easier. Greg requested that a resolution be passed allowing Greg Richardson to submit the DOTD Grant on September.

**Motion was made by Monty Adams, Jr. and Seconded by Charles Hearns to sign a resolution all Greg Richardson to submit to DOTD our Foik Infrastructure Grant Application, motion Passed.**

The Bob Meredith addressed Port Commissioners pertaining to LGF lease with the port and his understanding of proposal. Greg Richardson said a lease must be signed prior to submittal and small issues could be resolved between parties after signature.

Greg discussed a variety of grant opportunities as well as reviewed meeting held on behalf of the Commissioners. Greg plans on meeting with East Side Water District as well as the East Side Sewage System to discuss working together on a Grant opportunity. Greg also wanted to discuss possible opportunities to secure funding for fencing at the Port with FEMA/Homeland Security will attempt to seek help from Caldwell Parish Homeland Security Officer.

Greg asked for approval to pay outstanding bills for attorney and consultant,

**Motion was made by Bruce Frazier seconded by Charles Hearns to pay invoices, motion passed.**

**Motion was made by Monty Adams jr to adjourn the meeting second by Bruce Frazier motion LG**