Colfax, Louisiana

 February 8, 2018

 The Grant Parish Port Commission met on the above date in the Police Jury Meeting Room, Courthouse, Colfax, Louisiana at 3:00 PM for the transaction of business.

 The following members were present: Mr. Cephas Bowie, Mr. Carl Ray Lasyone, and Mr. Nick Slayter.

 The following members were absent: Mr. Barry Hines and Mr. Britton Carroll.

Motion by Mr. Carl Ray Lasyone, seconded by Nick Slayter to accept the minutes of the December 14, 2017 meeting. Motion carried.

The President, Mr. Cephas Bowie, noted there were no minutes for the January 12, 2018 as there was no quorum.

The President recognized the following guests:

Mr. Larry Parker

Mr. Blake Cooper, Manager of the Central La. Regional Port

Mr. Parker spoke on the need and advantage of having a Port in the Grant Parish area.

Mr. Cooper spoke about the positive effects of having a port such as creating jobs and having a positive economic impact in the region. He also suggested that the Port Commission prepare a master plan.

Motion by Carl Ray, seconded by Nick to enter into a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the Central La. Regional Port. Motion carried.

There was a discussion about meeting with the Red River Waterway Commission to request project funding.

Motion by Mr. Carl Ray Lasyone, seconded by Mr. Nick Slayter to adjourn. Motion

carried.