

SEPTEMBER 10, 2013 – MINUTES

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A motion was made by Senic Batiste and seconded by Dallas Leger to approve and accept the AUGUST 19, 2013 Executive Committee Meeting minutes as written. All Commissioners present agreed unanimously.

DIRECTORS & OFFICERS LIABILITY INSURANCE:

Mr. James Wallace with Simoneaux & Wallace Insurance attended the meeting to answer any questions anyone may have had pertaining to the D&O Insurance for the Port.

MOTION: LEPER

SECOND: HAYNES

A motion was made by Dallas Leger and seconded by Vernon Haynes to purchase Directors & Liability Insurance from Simoneaux & Wallace for the Port. All Commissioners present agreed unanimously.

ANNUAL ELECTIONS OF OFFICERS:

MOTION: THIBODEAUX

SECOND: CARTER

A motion was made by Mike Thibodeaux and seconded by Cheryl Carter that the current slate of officers be reelected to their same positions for the 2013-2014 election year. All Commissioners present agreed unanimously.

President – James Soileau

Vice President – Michael Thibodeaux

Secretary – John K. Soileau

Treasurer – Monita Reed

BOAT LAUNCH PROJECT:

Attorney Steven Loeb reported that the suspensive appeal has not been filed yet because the judge has not yet signed the judgement. Once the judge does sign the judgement, there is about a 30 day period in which the appeal can be filed.

Mr. Loeb also reached out to both BellTech and LEC to see if there was any interest on their part to negotiate a number or to see what their positions were.

Attorney Chris Guillory representing LEC reported to the Port Board that his client ended up having to go all the way through the Boat Launch Trial as well. The Court awarded a judgment in LEC's favor to pay his client the money owed for his work on the project. A portion of that judgment was assessed against the Port in the amount of \$31,250.00 which is

about half of the invoices. The other half was assessed against Mr. Mike Bellard and BellTech. Mr. Guillory attended the Port meeting to respectfully ask the Board that those funds be appropriated to his client, LEC.

Mr. Mike Bellard with BellTech addressed the Board and said that he would like to get back to work and earn a living. He asked the Board to please take that into consideration when deciding to appeal.

MOTION: K. SOILEAU **SECOND:** REED

A motion was made by Kirt Soileau and seconded by Monita Reed that the meeting enter into Executive Session to discuss litigation on the Boat Launch Project. All Commissioners present agreed unanimously.

MOTION: THIBODEAUX **SECOND:** LEGER

A motion was made by Mike Thibodeaux and seconded by Dallas Leger that the meeting come out of Executive Session and resume normal meeting procedures. All Commissioners present agreed unanimously.

Commissioner Senic Batiste asked Mr. Mike Bellard if he would be agreeable to take a lesser amount than the courts awarded and Mr. Bellard said absolutely not.

MOTION: HAYNES **SECOND:** REED

A motion was made by Vernon Haynes and seconded by Monita Reed to file the appeal as to the BellTech case. All Commissioners present voted the following:

Senic Batiste – Yes
Cheryl Carter – Yes
Joey Diesi – Abstain
Vernon Haynes – Yes
Dallas Leger – Yes
Tommy McMillan – Yes
Monita Reed – Yes
James Soileau – Yes
Kirt Soileau – Yes
Mike Thibodeaux – Yes

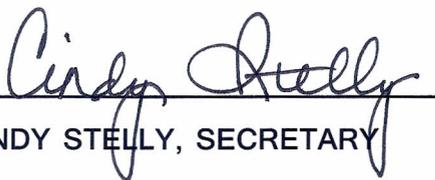
MOTION: LEGER

SECOND: THIBODEAUX

A motion was made by Dallas Leger and seconded by Mike Thibodeaux to move to appropriate the sum of \$31,250.00 to pay that portion of the judgment in favor of LEC provided that LEC accepts this amount in full and final compromise and settlement of any and all claims that LEC has in any way against the Greater Krotz Springs Port Commission and in full satisfaction of LEC's judgment against the Port. All Commissioners present voted the following:

Senic Batiste – Yes
Cheryl Carter – Yes
Joey Diesi – Abstain
Vernon Haynes – Yes
Dallas Leger – Yes
Tommy McMillan – Yes
Monita Reed – Yes
James Soileau – Yes
Kirt Soileau – Yes
Mike Thibodeaux – Yes

The next meeting date was scheduled for October 07, 2013. There being no further business, Commissioner Mike Thibodeaux motioned for the meeting to adjourn, seconded by Commissioner Monita Reed.


CINDY STELLY, SECRETARY