The Madison Parish Port Commission met in a regular session on Tuesday, July 28, 2020 at the Madison Parish Port Commission Office. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Donald Frazier and a roll call was taken as follows:

Commissioners present: Donald Frazier, Charles Vining, Harold Allen, Isaiah Ross and Jim Tucker

Commissioners absent: Robert Charles Brown and Latasha Griffin

Other members present: Patrick Terry Murphy, Executive Director & Kimmeka Epps, Secretary/Treasurer

Visitors: Jaime Webb, Terral River Service

At the opening of the meeting Secretary Epps asked for an amendment to the agenda. Secretary Epps stated that a tenant issue occurred at the close of business today.

On motion given by Commissioner Vining and seconded by Commissioner Ross, to allow the Secretary/Treasurer to amend the agenda by adding executive session to the topics of discussion. Motion carried unanimously.

On motion given by Commissioner Vining and seconded by Commissioner Ross, on approving the previous meeting minutes on Tuesday, June 23, 2020. The minutes were approved with no necessary corrections. Motion carried unanimously.

On motion given by Commissioner Allen and seconded by Commissioner Vining, the financial reports were approved with no necessary changes. Motion carried unanimously.

On the topic of Simplot leases negotiations with the Port. The board decided to move forward with the assistance of legal advisement from the Port’s attorney.

Murphy informed the board that Helena signed the lease and is now discussing construction of the Helena site.

The rail project is underway near Complex Chemical. The crews are on site. All work is halted on the Northrup Grumman facility until Rail Vehicle Services is visible on site.

Murphy provided information on Rail Vehicle Services operation moving the home business to the Madison Parish Port.

Murphy provided an update on the CenterPoint gas operation. At this time CenterPoint is waiting permit approval from DOTD. CenterPoint was also purchased by another organization.

After the Police Jury meeting Murphy started speaking with state organizations to possibly start a road project with the Police Jury.

**Public comments: NONE**

Commissioner Vining questioned the up and coming harvest season with the moving of storage cars during that time. Jaime Webb stated that the operation needs some attention immediately. Delta Southern Railroad is causing some major headaches with the businesses and citizens near the area of the Port while blocking exit and entrance locations.

On motion given by Commissioner Vining and seconded by Commissioner Ross, to move into executive session. Motion carried unanimously.

On motion given by Commissioner Ross and seconded by Commissioner Allen, to end the executive session and return to regular session. Motion carried unanimously.

There being no further business brought before the board, Chairman Frazier declared the meeting adjourned.

Kimmeka Epps Donald Frazier

Secretary/Treasurer Chairman