

MERMENTAU RIVER HARBOR TERMINAL DISTRICT MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON OCTOBER 8, 2024

CALLED TO ORDER

- A meeting of the Mermentau River Harbor Terminal District was called to order by President Mr. Dale Thibodeaux at 6:30 p.m. Members present were Mr. Karlton Thibodeaux, Mr. Ray Richard and Mr. Keith Henry. Also, present were Mr. John Craton, Mr. Stephen Broussard and Mr. Jonas Harrington.

MINUTES

- On a motion duly made by Mr. Karlton Thibodeaux seconded by Mr. Keith Henry was approved to accept the minutes from the meeting held on July 10, 2024.

FINANCIAL REPORT

- On a motion duly made by Mr. Ray Richard seconded by Mr. Keith Henry, all financial reports were approved and ratified and it was approved to pay all of the bills.

NEW BUSINESS

- Mr. Jonas Harrington explained the change order of clearing the right of way and the additional unexpected expense of the cost of the pile driving necessitated a change order. It was unanimously approved on a motion by Mr. Karlton Thibodeaux, seconded by Mr. Keith Henry.
- Mr. Jonas Harrington gave the board an update on the project. The project is 84 percent completed by budget and 34 percent completed by time. Things are proceeding, and now that we have approved the change order, everything should be completed timely.
- Mr. John Craton reported on the attempts to get an appraisal of the Xen-No property. An appraiser has looked at the information provided to him about the property and has given us a quote of \$2,500.00 for the appraisal with an estimated time to complete of approximately 3 weeks. Upon a motion by Mr. Keith Henry, seconded by Mr. Ray Richard, this was unanimously approved and accepted.
- Mr. John Craton gave a further report of his review of the Phase 1 Environmental Assessment. The grain bins on the south/east end of the property are sprayed with asbestos. There is nothing in the report that gives any indication of problems or remediation that needs to be taken care of. It appears that these bins were constructed decades ago when this was acceptable.
- Mr. John Craton reported on the public records request by Manson Construction Company out of Florida. They are going to wait until we complete the project and refine their request for the information that we do have.

- Mr. John Craton gave a report about a request to purchase property by Donald Brinkman. He was advised that we do not have any property to sell but would be able to lease property if they were interested.
- Mr. John Craton reported that our auditing firm has advised us that due to the monies being received as a result of the state's reimbursement of our slip project, we will fall under the category of entity requiring an actual audit rather than the compilation, which we have been getting in the last several years.
- Mr. John Craton reported that the Port Aggregate rent payment was paid 1 month past due. We have been watching and noting the fact that the payments seem to be getting later and later. If the payment is late for the month of October, then Mr. John Craton will write a letter advising them of the terms of the lease with regard to the payment being due on the first of the month.

There being no further business to come before the board on a Motion by Mr. Keith Henry seconded by Mr. Karlon Thibodeaux, the meeting was adjourned.