

**PORT OF IBERIA DISTRICT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2024
PORT ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE – 12:00 PM (Noon)
MINUTES**

The Special Meeting of the Port of Iberia District Board of Commissioners was called to order by Commissioner Patrick Broussard, Board President, at the Port of Iberia Administrative Office, on Thursday, February 8, 2024 at 12:00 PM.

In attendance were Commissioners Patrick Broussard, Board President, Mark Dore', Vice-President, Danny J. David, Sr., Roy A. Pontiff, Simieon d. Theodile, and Shane Walet.

Commissioner Bilal Morton, Secretary-Treasurer, was absent.

Also present were Craig Romero, Executive Director, Tracy Boudreaux, Chief Administrative Officer, Shari Landry, Secretary-Bookkeeper, and Donelson T. Caffery, Port Attorney.

Thus, with a quorum being acknowledged, Commissioner Roy A. Pontiff recited the opening prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

The purpose of the Special Meeting was to Discuss/Consider Adopting a Resolution Requesting Authority to Advertise Building C Repairs Project, Discuss/Consider Adopting a Resolution Requesting Authority to Advertise West Yard Bulkheads Project, Discuss/Consider Award of AGMAC Phase II Channel Dredging – Freshwater Bayou Construction Contract, Discuss/Consider Approving GIS Engineering, LLC Contract to Assist the USACE with its Validation Report, Discuss/Consider Proposal from Loren C. Scott & Associates, Inc. to Perform an Economic Analysis of the AGMAC Project, Discuss/Consider Loren C. Scott & Associates, Inc. Invoice #1, and Discuss/Consider Approval of CIMBAR Lease Agreement.

I. Public Comment.

No public comments were made on the agenda items.

II. Discuss/Consider Adopting a Resolution Requesting Authority to Advertise Building C Repairs Project.

A motion was made by Commissioner Roy A. Pontiff, seconded by Commissioner Shane Walet to adopt the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION REQUESTING AUTHORITY TO ADVERTISE
STATE PROJECT NO. H. 011928(326) Phase VI of SPN H.011928
PARISH OF IBERIA

RESOLUTION

PORT OF IBERIA DISTRICT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

WHEREAS, Port of Iberia District Board of Commissioners has submitted an application for funding of the Port Improvements East and West Yard Expansion & Site Improvements Building C Repairs (Phase VI of SPN H.011928) port improvement project under the Port Construction and Development Priority Program; and

WHEREAS, the State's share of the project funds have been made available and the Port of Iberia District Board of Commissioners has available its local matching share of the project funds in an amount of not less than ten (10%) percent; and

WHEREAS, at the request of this Port of Iberia District Board of Commissioners, GIS Engineering, LLC has prepared plans and specifications for said project, which plans and specifications are designated by State Project No. H.011928(326); and

WHEREAS, this Port of Iberia District Board of Commissioners has reviewed the final plans, specifications and cost estimate and accepts them as submitted and the Department of Transportation and Development has reviewed the final plans, specifications, and cost estimate and has approved them inasmuch as they comply with the requirements of the Port Construction and Development Priority Program; and

WHEREAS, all necessary servitudes, rights-of-way, spoil disposal areas, rights of ingress and egress and the means thereof have been acquired by this Port of Iberia District Board of Commissioners, and the titles thereto are valid and indefeasible; and

WHEREAS, this Port of Iberia District Board of Commissioners has obtained all necessary permits required for the construction of this project; and

WHEREAS, Port of Iberia District Board of Commissioners has agreed to accomplish all necessary utilities, fence and other facilities relocations and alterations made necessary by this project; and

WHEREAS, the Official Journal for the Port of Iberia District Board of Commissioners is The Daily Iberian, whose mailing address is 124 East Main Street, New Iberia, LA 70560, and whose telephone number is (337) 365-6773; and

WHEREAS, this Port of Iberia District Board of Commissioners desires to advertise for competitive bids, in accordance with LRS 38:2212, et seq., for the award of a contract in the name of the Port of Iberia District Board of Commissioners, and furnish engineering services during the progress of the work.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Port of Iberia District Board of Commissioners, in Special session assembled on this 8th day of February, 2024, that the Department of Transportation and Development be and hereby is requested to authorize the Port of Iberia District Board of Commissioners to advertise for competitive bids in accordance with LRS 38:2212, et seq., for the award of a contract in the name of Port of Iberia District Board of Commissioners, covering the aforesaid improvements.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Department of Transportation and Development be and hereby is assured that all necessary servitudes, rights-of-way, rights of ingress and egress and the means thereof have been obtained by Port of Iberia District Board of Commissioners, and the titles thereto are valid and indefeasible and Port of Iberia District Board of Commissioners expressly agrees to defend any action for the failure of any servitude, right-of-way, right of ingress or egress, and Port of Iberia District Board of Commissioners does hereby assume complete responsibility for providing engineering services during construction and the maintenance and upkeep of the project after construction.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Department of Transportation and Development be and hereby is assured that all required permits have been obtained by Port of Iberia District Board of Commissioners.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Department of Transportation and Development be and hereby is assured that Port of Iberia District Board of Commissioners has available its local matching funds in an amount not less than ten (10%) percent of the total project cost to insure construction of this project.

BE IT RESOLVED that Port of Iberia District Board of Commissioners will and hereby does assume complete responsibility for all utilities, fence, and other facilities relocations and alterations made necessary by this project.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Port of Iberia District Board of Commissioners does hereby save and hold harmless the Department of Transportation and Development against any loss or damage of any kind incident to or occasioned by Activities undertaken in pursuance of this agreement and expressly agrees to defend any suit brought against the Department of Transportation & Development, and pay any judgment which may result from said suit as it relates to this project.

This Resolution having been submitted to a vote; the vote thereon was as follows:

Yeas: Patrick Broussard, Mark Dore, Danny J. David, Sr., Roy A. Pontiff, Simieon d. Theodile, and Shane Walet.

Nays: None.

Absent at Voting: Bilal Morton.

And the Resolution was therefore passed on this the 8th day of February, 2024.

III. Discuss/Consider Adopting a Resolution Requesting Authority to Advertise West Yard Bulkheads Project.

A motion was made by Commissioner Mark Dore', seconded by Commissioner Simieon d. Theodile to adopt the following Resolution:

RESOLUTION REQUESTING AUTHORITY TO ADVERTISE
PARISH OF IBERIA
RESOLUTION

PORT OF IBERIA DISTRICT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

WHEREAS, the Port of Iberia District Board of Commissioners has submitted an Application for funding of the West Yard Bulkheads port improvement project under the provisions of the Capital Outlay Acts; and

WHEREAS, the State's share of the project funds have been made available; and

WHEREAS, at the request of the Port of Iberia District Board of Commissioners, GIS Engineering, LLC, has prepared Plans and Specifications for said Project; and

WHEREAS, the Port of Iberia District Board of Commissioners has reviewed the final Plans, Specifications and Cost Estimate and accepts them as submitted and the Department of Transportation and Development has reviewed the final plans, specifications, and cost estimate and has approved them inasmuch as they comply with the requirements of the Capital Outlay Acts; and

WHEREAS, all necessary servitudes, rights-of-way, spoil disposal areas, rights of ingress and egress and the means thereof have been acquired by the Port of Iberia District Board of Commissioners, and the titles thereto are valid and indefeasible; and

WHEREAS, the Port of Iberia District Board of Commissioners has obtained all necessary permits required for the construction of this Project; and

WHEREAS, the Port of Iberia District Board of Commissioners has agreed to accomplish all necessary utilities, fence and other facilities relocations and alterations made necessary by this Project; and

WHEREAS, the Official Journal for the Port of Iberia District Board of Commissioners is The Daily Iberian, whose mailing address is Post Office Box 9290, Dept. A, New Iberia, LA 70562-9290, and whose telephone number is (337) 365-6773; and

WHEREAS, the Port of Iberia District Board of Commissioners desires to advertise for competitive bids, in accordance with LRS 38:2212, et seq., for the award of a contract in the name of the Port of Iberia District, and furnish engineering services during the progress of the work.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Port of Iberia District Board of Commissioners, in Special session assembled on this 8th day of February, 2024, that the Department of Transportation and Development be and hereby is requested to authorize the Port of Iberia District Board of Commissioners

to advertise for competitive bids in accordance with LRS 38:2212, et seq., for the award of a contract in the name of the Port of Iberia District, covering the aforesaid improvements.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Department of Transportation and Development be and hereby is assured that all necessary servitudes, rights-of-way, rights of ingress and egress and the means thereof have been obtained by the Port of Iberia District Board of Commissioners, and the titles thereto are valid and indefeasible and the Port of Iberia District Board of Commissioners expressly agrees to defend any action for the failure of any servitude, right-of-way, right of ingress or egress, and the Port of Iberia District Board of Commissioners does hereby assume complete responsibility for providing engineering services during construction and the maintenance and upkeep of the Project after construction.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Department of Transportation and Development be and hereby is assured that all required permits have been obtained by the Port of Iberia District Board of Commissioners.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Port of Iberia District Board of Commissioners will and hereby does assume complete responsibility for all utilities, fence, and other facilities relocations and alterations made necessary by this Project.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Port of Iberia District Board of Commissioners does hereby save and hold harmless the Department of Transportation and Development against any loss or damage of any kind incident to or occasioned by Activities undertaken in pursuance of this agreement and expressly agrees to defend any suit brought against the Department of Transportation & Development, and pay any judgment which may result from said suit as it relates to this Project.

This Resolution having been submitted to a vote; the vote thereon was as follows:

Yeas: Patrick Broussard, Mark Dore,' Danny J. David, Sr., Roy A. Pontiff, Simieon d. Theodile, and Shane Walet.

Nays: None.

Absent at Voting: Bilal Morton.

And the Resolution was therefore passed on this the 8th day of February, 2024.

IV. Discuss/Consider Award of AGMAC Phase II Channel Dredging – Freshwater Bayou Construction Contract.

A motion was made by Commissioner Mark Dore', seconded by Commissioner Simieon d. Theodile to award AGMAC Phase II Channel Dredging – Freshwater Bayou Construction Contract to Orion Industrial Construction, LLC in the amount of \$21,429,000.00,

This motion having been submitted to a vote; the vote thereon was as follows:

Yeas: Patrick Broussard, Mark Dore,' Danny J. David, Sr., Roy A. Pontiff, Simieon d. Theodile, and Shane Walet.

Nays: None.

Absent at Voting: Bilal Morton.

And the motion was therefore passed on this the 8th day of February, 2024.

V. Discuss/Consider Approving GIS Engineering, LLC Contract to Assist the USACE with its Validation Report.

A motion was made by Commissioner Mark Dore', seconded by Commissioner Shane Walet to execute time and material contract between Port of Iberia District and GIS Engineering, LLC with an upset limit not to exceed \$100,000.00 regarding assisting the USACE - Validation Report for the AGMAC Project (Capital Outlay).

This motion having been submitted to a vote; the vote thereon was as follows:

Yeas: Patrick Broussard, Mark Dore,' Danny J. David, Sr., Roy A. Pontiff, Simieon d.

Theodile, and Shane Walet.

Nays: None.

Absent at Voting: Bilal Morton.

And the motion was therefore passed on this the 8th day of February, 2024.

VI. Discuss/Consider Proposal from Loren C. Scott & Associates, Inc. to Perform an Economic Analysis of the AGMAC Project.

A motion was made by Commissioner Roy A. Pontiff, seconded by Commissioner Simieon d. Theodile to authorize Board President to Execute Proposal from Loren C. Scott & Associates, Inc. to perform an Economic Analysis of the AGMAC Project in the amount of \$98,950.00.

This motion having been submitted to a vote; the vote thereon was as follows:

Yeas: Patrick Broussard, Mark Dore,' Danny J. David, Sr., Roy A. Pontiff, Simieon d. Theodile, and Shane Walet.

Nays: None.

Absent at Voting: Bilal Morton.

And the motion was therefore passed on this the 8th day of February, 2024.

VII. Discuss/Consider Loren C. Scott & Associates, Inc. Invoice #1.

Discussion ensued and there was no action taken on the above agenda item.

VIII. Discuss/Consider Approval of CIMBAR Lease Agreement.

A motion was made by Commissioner Mark Dore', seconded by Commissioner Simieon d. Theodile to authorize Board President to Execute Lease Agreement between the Port of Iberia District and CIMBAR Performance Minerals.

This motion having been submitted to a vote; the vote thereon was as follows:

Yeas: Patrick Broussard, Mark Dore,' Danny J. David, Sr., Roy A. Pontiff, Simieon d. Theodile, and Shane Walet.

Nays: None.

Absent at Voting: Bilal Morton.

And the motion was therefore passed on this the 8th day of February, 2024.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

On a motion made by Commissioner Shane Walet and seconded by Commissioner Mark Dore', the meeting was adjourned at 12:36 p.m.