

**PORT OF IBERIA DISTRICT
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SPECIAL MEETING - FRIDAY, JULY 24, 2015
PORT ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE – 12:00 P.M.
MINUTES**

The Special Meeting of the Port of Iberia District Board of Commissioners was called to order by Commissioner Danny J. David, Sr., Board President, at the Port of Iberia Administrative Office, on Friday, July 24, 2015, at 12:00 P.M.

In attendance were Commissioners Danny J. David, Sr., Board President, Larry G. Rader, Vice-President, Gene L. Jefferies, Secretary-Treasurer, Roy A. Pontiff, Simieon d. Theodile, and Mark Dore'.

Commissioner Elbridge "Smitty" Smith III, was absent.

Also present were Craig F. Romero, Executive Director, Joanna D. Durke, Administrative Assistant, Tracy Domingue, Secretary-Bookkeeper, and Ray Allain, Port Attorney.

Thus, with a quorum being acknowledged, Commissioner Mark Dore' recited the opening prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

The purpose of the Special Meeting was to invite members of the Port of Iberia District's Legislative Delegation to address the Board regarding an update on the status of the Capital Outlay Funding for the AGMAC Project.

At the Regular Monthly Board Meeting held on Tuesday, July 21, 2015, a motion was made and unanimously seconded to have a Special Board Meeting (preferably before the next State Bond Commission Meeting) in order to invite members of the Legislative Delegation to be made aware and discuss the Port's concerns regarding the Capital Outlay Funding for the AGMAC Project, and further ask for any advice/input the Legislative Delegation Members may have in order for the matter to be brought before the State Bond Commission's next meeting, for them to discuss/approve the necessary funding needed to move forward with the AGMAC Project.

I. MEMBERS OF THE PORT OF IBERIA DISTRICT'S LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION TO ADDRESS THE BOARD REGARDING AN UPDATE ON THE STATUS OF THE CAPITAL OUTLAY FUNDING FOR THE AGMAC PROJECT.

Senator Fred Mills, District 22 and Representative Blake Miguez, District 49, were

present and addressed the Board. In addition, Mr. Mike Tarantino, Executive Director of IDF, and Mr. O'Neil Malbrough, Vice-President, CB&I, were also in attendance.

The Executive Director thanked Senator Mills and Representative Miguez for attending the Special Meeting. The Executive Director spoke briefly and provided an update on the current status of the AGMAC Project. He indicated that it was the consensus of the Board that their concerns be made known and the Board also welcomes any suggestions and/or advice the Senator and Representative may have in order to determine the next step to move forward with this vital project.

A major concern expressed was that the Port of Iberia District's "priority" funding for the AGMAC Channel Project had been taken out of House Bill Number 2. Lengthy discussion ensued and there was no action taken; however, Senator Mills and Representative Miguez will relay all of the concerns discussed with the appropriate officials and see if the matter can be placed on the next State Bond Commission Meeting Agenda for discussion, etcetera.

II. ADJOURNMENT.

On a motion made by Commissioner Larry Rader, seconded by Commissioner Mark Dore', the meeting was adjourned at 1:10 p.m.


SECRETARY-TREASURER


PRESIDENT