**SOUTH TANGIPAHOA PARISH PORT COMMISSION**

**REGULAR MEETING**

**MONDAY AUGUST 15,** **2022 12:00 NOON**

**CITY HALL ANNEX BUILDING - 110 W. HICKORY ST., PONCHATOULA, LA**

President Daryl Ferrara called the Regular Meeting to order Monday, August 15, 2022 at 12:00 Noon. Meeting held at the City Hall Annex Building, located at 110 W. Hickory Street, Ponchatoula, LA.

Robyn Pusey, Administrative Assistant gave the invocation. President Daryl Ferrara followed with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioners Present: Daryl Ferrara, James Wes Daniels II, William “Bill” Joubert, Tina Roper, Jimmy Schliegelmeyer, Jr., and Timothy DePaula.

Commissioners Absent: None

President Ferrara welcomed the attendees. Others Present: Patrick Dufresne, Port Director; Robyn Pusey, Administrative Assistant; Lee Barends, ITL Accounting; Brigette Hyde, Councilwoman District 9; Dawn Gautreaux, TGP Economic Development; Susan Leto, Artemis Construction; Dwight Williams, Ponchartrain Conserving.

Visitors were introduced and welcomed.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA/MINUTES**

It was moved by Commissioner Daniels II and seconded by Commissioner Roper that the South Tangipahoa Parish Port Commission approve the Meeting Agenda for August 15, 2022 as presented. Motion passed. Yeas: 6 Ferrara, Daniels II, Joubert, Roper, Schliegelmeyer, Jr., and DePaula. Nays: 0 Absent: 0

President Ferrara announced that the minutes of the July 12, 2022 meeting were sent to the Commissioners by email for their review prior to this meeting and a copy was also presented in the meeting folders, as well. After reviewing the minutes, the following motions were made.

It was moved by Commissioner Roper and seconded by Commissioner Daniels II, that the South Tangipahoa Parish Port Commission adopt/approve the July 12, 2022 minutes as presented. Motion passed. Yeas: 6 Ferrara, Daniels II, Joubert, Roper, Schliegelmeyer, Jr., and DePaula Nays: 0 Absent: 0

**TREASURER’S REPORT**

The financial reports for the period ending July, 2022 were emailed to the Commissioners prior to the meeting by Ms. Lee Barends with ITL Accounting for their review. Commissioner/Treasurer Jimmy Schliegelmeyer, Jr., reviewed the financial reports with the Commissioners. He reported that the rental income for the month of July was $118,465.41, and total expenses was $79,133.48. Treasurer Schliegelmeyer also reported that the total assets was $9,847,275.82. Commissioner Roper questioned the other income received, and Lee Barends with ITL Accounting reported that it was from FEMA. Commissioner Joubert congratulated Port Director, Patrick Dufresne for his hard work and that he was doing a “great job”.

It was moved by Commissioner Roper and seconded by Commissioner Daniels II, that the Commission accept/approve the financials, as presented, by Treasurer Jimmy Schliegelmeyer, Jr. for the 6 months ending July, 2022. Motion passed. Yeas: 6 Schliegelmeyer, Ferrara, Daniels II, Joubert, Roper, and DePaula. Nays: 0 Absent: 0

**OLD BUSINESS**

1. **LA DOTD Port Priority State H. 011927**

Patrick Dufresne, Port Director, reported to the Commissioners that the project engineer is currently working on obtaining specifications for the truck scale electronic weighing equipment. In addition, there will also be additional asphalt paving added to compliment a truck rail crossing area that will be re-engineered due to to safety concerns per the recent CN rail inspection report. The asphalt paving will help to eliminate any potential railcar derailment issues on the set of tracks North of Building 2 due to rock debris on the track.

1. **Hurricane Ida Damage Repair Update**

Patrick Dufresne, Port Director, informed the Commissioners that the ports legal counsel, Andre Coudrain, had received the review of the construction contract from Centurion Industries. The contract had been forwarded to the Commissioners prior to the meeting by the Port Director as information. President Ferrara asked Commissioners DePaula and Schliegelmeyer if there were any thoughts or concerns with the contract. Commissioners DePaula and Schliegelmeyer confirmed that they had examined the contract and didn’t see anything “out of the ordinary”.

Secretary Daniels, II introduced the resolution relative to the agreement with A-Lert Roof Systems, A Division of Centurion Industries, Inc.

At a regular meeting of the South Tangipahoa Parish Port Commission held on August 15, 2022 the following resolution was introduced and adopted; to wit:

Moved by Commissioner Schliegelmeyer and seconded by Commissioner DePaula that the Commission authorizes its Executive Director, Patrick J. Dufresne to enter into an agreement with the lowest qualified bidder for the Warehouse #3 roof repair project – A-Lert Roof Systems – A Division of Centurion Industries, Inc., whose address is 2065 FM 1102 New Braunfels, Texas 78132 and is authorized and currently doing business in the State of Louisiana for the purposes of commercial roof construction. The total cost of the construction project that will include the installation of 30,000 s.f. of a standing-seam roofing system with a 20-year warranty will be $334,500.00. The work shall commence by September 20, 2022 and will be scheduled for completion within 120 days.

Motion passed. Yeas: 6 Ferrara, Daniels II, Joubert, Roper, Schliegelmeyer, Jr., and DePaula Nays: 0 Absent: None

1. **Premier Chemicals Lease Agreement Update**

Port Director, Patrick Dufresne met with the ports legal counsel, Andre Coudrain and the owner of Premier Chemicals, Andy Parker, to discuss the status of the pending revised lease for Premier Chemicals. The outstanding issues remain to be the roof replacement to Building 3 and Hurricane Ida repairs to Building 2 that are currently under review by the ports structural engineer of record, Jim Ragland of Ragland Aderman & Associates, who will deliver his final report at the September meeting.

1. **Prospective Tenant(s) Update**

Port Director, Patrick Dufresne stated there was no update regarding prospective tenants. He stated that new tenant, Air Products, was still working on setting up business at the port.

1. **Invoice Payment Approval**

Commissioner/Treasurer Schliegelmeyer, Jr. presented the August 2022 payment invoices for payment approval.

1. Jackson-Vaughan Agency – Insurance renewal policy – installment balance

 Inv.# 147206 Amt. $44,106.50

1. CN Illinois Central – Rent for private road crossing 5770535

Inv.# 9500239146 Amt. $3,000.00

1. Cashe Coudrain & Bass – Services rendered through June 30, 2022

 Inv.# 123347 Matter #4623-1 Amt. $400.00

 Inv.# 123348 Matter #4623-4 Amt. $960.00

 Inv.# 123349 Matter #4623-9 Amt. $760.00

It was moved by Commissioner Roper and seconded by Commissioner Joubert that the Commission approve for payment the August, 2022 invoices as presented by Treasurer Schliegelmeyer. Motion passed. Yeas: 6 Ferrara, Daniels II, Joubert, Roper, Schliegelmeyer, Jr., and DePaula Nays: 0 Absent: None

**NEW BUSINESS**

Port Director, Patrick Dufresne announced there was no new business to discuss.

**Remarks:**

Port Director, Patrick Dufresne thanked everyone for attending today. The port director announced that the next meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 13, 2022.

Having no further business, a motion for adjournment was made by Commissioner Daniels, II and seconded by Commissioner Joubert. Motion passed. Yeas: 5 Daniels II, Joubert, Roper, DePaula and Schliegelmeyer, Jr. Nays: 0 Absent: Ferrara

Meeting adjourned 12:30 pm.

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James Wes Daniels II, Secretary STPPC Daryl Ferrara, President STPPC