

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
ST. BERNARD PORT, HARBOR AND TERMINAL DISTRICT
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING – FEBRUARY 6, 2024

The Board of Commissioners of the St. Bernard Port, Harbor and Terminal District met in regular session on Tuesday, February 6, 2024, at 12:00 p.m. in the boardroom of its office located at 100 Port Boulevard, 3rd Floor, Chalmette, Louisiana.

After the Pledge of Allegiance, Roll was called.

Member's present were: Mr. Walter J. Cure IV, President; Mr. Larry M. Aisola, Jr., Vice-President; Mr. Ronald J. Alonzo, Jr., Secretary; Mr. Thomas B. Ajubita, Treasurer and Mr. David L. Kenney, Jr., Commissioner. Also present were: Mr. Drew Heaphy, Executive Director; Ms. Denise Kraesig, Executive Assistant; Mr. Ross Gonzales, Director of Administration; Mr. Ted Roche, Director of Operations; Mr.'s Todd Fuller and Zeljko Franks, Associated Terminals; Mr.'s Tommy Delaune and Jeff Schwaab, Tommy's Seafood and Mr. Dean Nicoladis, NY Associates.

President Cure asked if there were any public comments in accordance with R.S. 42:14(D). Not hearing from anyone, he continued with the meeting.

On motion of Mr. Aisola, seconded by Mr. Alonzo, and after asking for any public comment, the Board unanimously approved the minutes of the regular meeting held on January 9, 2024.

On motion of Mr. Aisola, seconded by Mr. Ajubita, and after asking for any public comment, the Board unanimously approved a new lease for Robert Owen, State Senator, District #1 for 630 sq. ft. of office space located at 100 Port Boulevard, 2nd Flr., Suite 20.

On motion of Mr. Aisola, seconded by Mr. Kenney, and after asking for any public comment, the Board unanimously approved a new lease for Joseph J. Bouie, Jr., State Senator, District #3 for 630 sq. ft. of office space located at 100 Port Boulevard, 2nd Flr., Suite 30.

On motion of Mr. Alonzo, seconded by Mr. Aisola, and after asking for any public comment, the Board unanimously approved a new lease for Michael Bayham, State Representative, District #103 for 630 square feet of office space located at 100 Port Boulevard, 2nd Flr., Suite 40.

On motion of Mr. Alonzo, seconded by Mr. Aisola, and after asking for any public comment, the Board unanimously approved a Second Amendment for Tommy's Seafood adding 34,850 sq. ft. of laydown area and an additional 384 sq. ft. of building space.

President Cure recognized Mr. Gonzales who gave the Finance Report. Mr. Gonzales reported on the Operating and Capital Budgets, Professional Services, Balance Sheet and Lessees Arrears. The Board recognized Mr. Delaune and Mr. Schwaab from Tommy's Seafood who updated the board on the renovations and upgrades they are making to their leased properties. The Board discussed the Finance Report.

President Cure then recognized Mr. Heaphy who gave the Executive Director's Report. Mr. Heaphy discussed the State Supreme Court decision relating to the SOS Writ Application, the PNO U.S. Dept. of Transportation Grant and the Power 20 List in Maritime in CityBusiness magazine. He also reminded the Board to submit their Personal Disclosure forms by May 15, 2024. Mr. Heaphy then recognized Mr. Roche who gave an update on current and future construction projects. The Board discussed the Executive Director's report.

On motion of Mr. Aisola, seconded by Mr. Kenney, and after asking for any public comment, the Board unanimously approved authorization for the Executive Director to accept the annual Insurance Renewal Package upon the recommendation of the Agent of Record, Gallagher.

On motion of Mr. Aisola, seconded by Mr. Alonzo, and after asking for any public comment, the Board unanimously approved the following resolution authorizing the Executive Director to sign and perform all duties and administration relating to the Delta Regional Authority Grant:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Delta Regional Authority (hereinafter "DRA") was created by Congress by the Delta Regional Authority Act of 2000, as amended, as a federal/state partnership now comprised of 252 counties and parishes within the eight states of Alabama, Arkansas, Illinois, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri and Tennessee in order to remedy severe and chronic economic distress by stimulating economic development and fostering partnerships that will have a positive impact on the Delta Region's economy;

WHEREAS, the St. Bernard Port, Harbor and Terminal District, acting by and through its Board of Commissioners proposes to apply for a award with DRA for the Fiscal Year 2024 federal award program cycle;

WHEREAS, DRA requires that a person be designated, appointed, and given the authority to perform certain duties and administration of said award for and on behalf of the Awardee;

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the St. Bernard Port, Harbor and Terminal District met in a regular session on February 6, 2024 whereby at least three members were present, constituting a quorum;

WHEREAS, Drew M. Heaphy, Executive Director is designated and appointed to perform all duties and administration of said award;

WHEREAS, the St. Bernard Port, Harbor and Terminal District will provide additional funds in the amount of \$30,000.; and

WHEREAS, in the event of an administration change, the new Executive Director shall continue to have such authority under this Resolution.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, Drew M. Heaphy, Executive Director, be and is hereby designated and appointed to perform on behalf of the St. Bernard Port, Harbor and Terminal District and has the authority to make those acts and assume any and all duties in dealing with the award with DRA for the Fiscal Year - 2024 federal award program cycle;

THAT, Drew M. Heaphy, Executive Director, is hereby authorized to execute and submit any and all documents including, but not limited to, applications, award closing documents, request for funds, status reports to DRA for the Fiscal Year – 2024 federal award program cycle; award;

THAT, in the event of an administration change, the new Executive Director shall continue to have such authority under this Resolution.

READ AND ADOPTED, this the 6th day of February, 2024.

The foregoing resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

Yeas:	5
Nays:	0
Absent:	0
Abstaining:	0

The resolution was declared to be adopted on this 6th day of February, 2024.

/s/ Ronald J. Alonzo, Jr., Secretary

President Cure asked if there were any Old Business. Not hearing from anyone, he continued with the meeting.

President Cure asked if there were any New Business. Mr. Alonzo and the rest of the board relayed their appreciation for the legislative delegation's decision to lease from the St. Bernard Port and have a presence in St. Bernard Parish.

On motion of Mr. Aisola, seconded by Mr. Alonzo, the meeting was adjourned.

/s/ Ronald J. Alonzo, Jr., Secretary