

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS  
ST. BERNARD PORT, HARBOR AND TERMINAL DISTRICT  
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING – JUNE 8, 2021

The Board of Commissioners of the St. Bernard Port, Harbor and Terminal District met in regular session on Tuesday, June 8, 2021, at 12:00 noon in the boardroom of its office located at 100 Port Boulevard, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, Chalmette, Louisiana.

After the Pledge of Allegiance, Roll was called.

Members present were: Ms. Rachel L. Nunez, Vice President; Mr. Harold J. Anderson, Secretary and Rev. Henry Ballard, Jr., Treasurer. Absent was: Mr. Larry M. Aisola, Jr., President. 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. Ricky Melerine, Project Manager Assistant; Mr.'s Todd Fuller and Zeljko Franks, Associated Terminals; Mr. Dan Robin, DAR, Incorporated; Mr. Mark Melancon, ITS; Ms. Nicole Gray, Gray Matters and Mr. Joseph DiFatta, St. Bernard Parish Sheriff's Department.

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

On motion of Rev. Ballard, seconded by Mr. Anderson, and after asking for any public comment, the Board unanimously approved the minutes of the regular meeting held on May 11, 2021.

On motion of Mr. Anderson, seconded by Rev. Ballard, and after asking for any public comment, the Board unanimously approved to take from the table Agenda Item No. 10 from the May 11, 2021 board meeting: Approval of Amendment to Lease for Smart Pixelz LLC changing lessee name to NOLA Electric LLC and changing Initial Term date to June 1, 2021.

On motion of Rev. Ballard, seconded by Mr. Anderson, and after asking for any public comment, the Board unanimously approved an Amendment to Lease for Smart Pixelz LLC changing lessee name to NOLA Electric LLC and changing Initial Term date to June 1, 2021.

On motion of Mr. Anderson, seconded by Rev. Ballard, and after asking for any public comment, the Board unanimously approved the following resolution to adopt the Millage rate, which was read in full and voted on with a roll call vote: Mr. Aisola, Absent; Ms. Nunez, Yea; Mr. Anderson, Yea, Rev. Ballard, Yea:

RESOLUTION

BE IT RESOLVED, that the following millage(s) are hereby levied on the 2021 tax roll on all property subject to taxation by St. Bernard Port, Harbor and Terminal District:

MILLAGE

Ad Valorem

3.81 mills

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the proper administrative officials of the Parish of St. Bernard, State of Louisiana, be and they are hereby empowered, authorized, and directed to spread said taxes, as hereinabove set forth, upon the assessment roll of said Parish for the year 2021, and to make the collection of the taxes imposed for and on behalf of the taxing authority, according to law, and that the taxes herein levied shall become a permanent lien and privilege on all property subject to taxation as herein set forth, and collection thereof shall be enforceable in the manner provided by law.

The foregoing resolution was read in full, the roll was called on the adoption thereof, and the resolution was adopted by the following votes:

	Aisola	Nunez	Anderson	Ballard
YEAS:		X	X	X
NAYS:				
ABSTAINED:				
ABSENT:	X			

On motion of Mr. Anderson, seconded by Rev. Ballard, and after asking for any public comment, the Board unanimously approved a new lease with Apple Studios Louisiana, LLC for 133,500 sq. ft. of laydown area located at 200 Marlin Drive and 133,500 sq. ft. of laydown area at Lot #3 both located in the Chalmette Terminal from 6/3/21 – 6/6/21.

On motion of Mr. Anderson, seconded by Rev. Ballard, and after asking for any public comment, the Board unanimously approved a new lease with Minim Productions, Inc. for 133,500 sq. ft. of laydown area located at 200 Marlin Drive and 133,500 sq. ft. of laydown area at Lot #3 both located in the Chalmette Terminal from 6/7/21 – 6/12/21.

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Vice President Nunez 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 discussed the Finance Report.

On motion of Mr. Anderson, seconded by Rev. Ballard, and after asking for any public comment, the Board discussed and unanimously approved the 2021-2022 Budget.

Vice President Nunez then recognized Mr. Heaphy who gave the Executive Director's Report. Mr. Heaphy recognized Mr. Robin who gave a legislative update on Capital Outlay. Mr. Robin informed the Board that there will be 2.5 million dollars in the Department of Transportation Secretary's Budget for the proposed Sugar Refinery Road that will be located in the Arabi Terminal. Mr. Heaphy then recognized Ms. Gray who informed the Board as to Gray Matters' grant writing process and how they will assist the Port in requesting and applying for available Federal funds. Mr. Heaphy updated the Board on the Port Security Grant Application, Ethics Training class being held on June 17, 2021 and the C. Alvin Bertel Awards ceremony. Mr. Heaphy then recognized Mr. Roche who updated the Board on current construction projects. Mr. Heaphy then stated that Boh Bros has offered to give the Board a tour of the progress being made on the Chalmette Slip project for those who are interested. The Board discussed the Executive Director's Report. The Board thanked Mr. Heaphy for his report.

On motion of Rev. Ballard, seconded by Mr. Anderson, and after asking for any public comment, the Board unanimously approved authorization for the Executive Director to enter into a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the St. Bernard Parish Tourist Commission to promote tourism through the Port and possible sharing of the tour boat dock revenue from the New Orleans Paddlewheels lease, not to exceed \$8,900. for Fiscal Year 2021-2022.

On motion of Rev. Ballard, seconded by Mr. Anderson, and after asking for any public comment, the Board unanimously approved a professional services contract with Ericksen Krentel LLP to provide auditing services for Fiscal Year 2020-2021. Not to exceed \$14,770.

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Vice President Nunez recognized Rev. Ballard who asked to address the Board and those in attendance. Rev. Ballard informed everyone that this was his last meeting and he had submitted his letter of resignation to Mr. Heaphy, effective June 9, 2021. He then expressed his gratitude for the opportunity to serve as a commissioner and to all that have helped educated him about the purpose and workings of the St. Bernard Port. Rev. Ballard communicated his continued interest in the Port and his commitment to the community. Mr. Heaphy and the board members thanked Rev. Ballard for his service, professionalism, commitment and guidance.

On motion of Rev. Ballard, seconded by Mr. Anderson, the meeting was adjourned.

/s/ Jeanne E. Ferrer, Secretary