

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
ST. BERNARD PORT, HARBOR AND TERMINAL DISTRICT
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING – SEPTEMBER 16, 2025

The Board of Commissioners of the St. Bernard Port, Harbor and Terminal District met in regular session on Tuesday, September 16, 2025, 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. Larry M. Aisola, Jr., President; Mr. Thomas B. Ajubita, Secretary; and Mr. Walter J. Cure, IV., Commissioner. Also present were: Mr. Drew Heaphy, Executive Director, Ms. Emily Alphonso, Executive Assistant; Mr. Ross Gonzales, Director of Administration; Mr. Ted Roche, Director of Operations; Ms. Sherry Martin, Administrative Secretary; Mr. Donald Brinkman, CSRS; Mr. Joey DiFatta, St. Bernard Sheriff's Office; Mr. Zeljko Franks, Associated Terminals; and Mr. Dean Nicoladis, N-Y Associates.

President Aisola 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. Ajubita, seconded by Mr. Cure, and after asking for any public comment, the Board unanimously approved the minutes of the regular meeting held on August 12, 2025.

On motion of Mr. Ajubita, seconded by Mr. Cure, and after asking for any public comment, the Board unanimously approved Employee Policy Manual changes: Section III, Introduction-Page 6; Section III, Compensation-Page 10; and Section 2.8, Employee Leaves of Absence-Page 32-34.

On motion of Mr. Ajubita, seconded by Mr. Cure, and after asking for any public comment, the Board unanimously approved a new lease with Getty's, Inc. for 192,120 sq. ft. of Lay Down Area, located in the Chalmette Terminal.

On motion of Mr. Ajubita, seconded by Mr. Cure, and after asking for any public comment, the Board unanimously approved the naming of the Security Operation building in honor of Nicholas "Nick" Cuccia.

On motion of Mr. Ajubita, seconded by Mr. Cure, and after asking for any public comment, the Board unanimously approved Change Order No. 5 for Barriere Construction Co., State Project No. H0012752 – LA 46@ Weinberger Rd. adding 67 additional days to the contract.

On motion of Mr. Ajubita, seconded by Mr. Cure, and after asking for any public comment, the Board unanimously approved Substantial Completion for On Point Construction relating to the LED lights for the Chalmette Slip project.

President Aisola recognized Mr. Gonzales who gave the Finance Report. Mr. Gonzales reported on the Operating and Capital Budgets, Professional Services, Balance Sheet, Expenditures and Lessees Arrears. The Board discussed the Finance Report.

President Aisola then recognized Mr. Heaphy who gave the Executive Director's Report. Mr. Heaphy spoke about the 2025 PIDP Grant application and mentioned that Mr. Roche and the staff have been doing a great job working hard on getting the federal grants secured over the last few years. He also spoke about a few upcoming events: the 91st Maritime Person of the Year Gala, Global Maritime Ministries Lighthouse Gala, Port NOLA Night, and the State of the Port event. He also mentioned to the Board members about the upcoming St. Bernard Business and Professional Women's Club 64th Annual Man and Woman of the Year Gala. 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. Ajubita, seconded by Mr. Cure, and after asking for any public comment, the Board unanimously approved the Fifth Amendment to CSRS Inc. contract to include the addition of the Fourth Phase of the Port Security grant, not to exceed \$280,000.00.

On motion of Mr. Cure, seconded by Mr. Ajubita, and after asking for any public comment, the Board unanimously approved the following resolution to accept the bid and award the contract to Cycle Construction Company, LLC, relating to the Chalmette Slip Dock 2, Section D Warehouse Floor Rehabilitation H.014603 project, ordered from the 34th Judicial District Court.

STATE PROJECT NO. H.014603
PARISH OF ST. BERNARD

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the St. Bernard Port, Harbor and Terminal District has received bids on May 6, 2025, at 2:00 P.M. on the Chalmette Slip Dock 2, Section D Warehouse Floor Rehabilitation port improvements project under the Louisiana Port Construction & Development Priority Program; and

WHEAREAS, the 34th Judicial District Court has ordered that the award of contract be made to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder; Cycle Construction Company, LLC.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the St. Bernard Port, Harbor and Terminal District, in Regular session, assembled on this 16th day of September, 2025, acting pursuant to the Order of the 34th Judicial District Court that the Base Bid in the Amount of \$5,540,965.75 by Cycle Construction Company, LLC be accepted and a contract be awarded to them.

/s/ Thomas B. Ajubita, SECRETARY

/s/ Larry M. Aisola, Jr. PRESIDENT

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On motion of Mr. Cure, seconded by Mr. Ajubita, the meeting was adjourned.

/s/ Thomas B. Ajubita, Secretary