

West Calcasieu Port Board Meeting Minutes

7900 Alfred Devall Parkway, Sulphur, Louisiana 70665
March 3, 2026

1. Call to Order

Dick Kennison called to order the regular meeting of the West Calcasieu Port at approximately 3:01 p.m. on March 3, 2026.

2. Invocation

Joanne Coleman led the invocation.

3. Pledge of allegiance

Tim Dougherty led the pledge of allegiance.

4. Roll Call

Tim Dougherty conducted a roll call. The following persons were present:

Dick Kennison
Tim Dougherty
Trey Case
Jennifer Mabou

Also present were Darla Perry, Chuck Stutes, Jackson Schruppf, Joanne Coleman, and Port Director Lynn Hohensee.

5. Approval of minutes of the February 3, 2026 regular monthly meeting.

A motion was made by Tim Dougherty to approve the minutes of the February 3, 2026 regular monthly meeting, 2nd by Trey Case. No opposition. Motion carried.

6. Amendments, additions, and deletions to the proposed agenda.

There were no amendments, additions or deletions to the proposed agenda.

7. Presentation of the Amended Budget FYE 6/30/2026; approval vote.

After a brief discussion, a motion was made by Tim Dougherty for a resolution to approve the Amended Budget FYE 6/30/2026 as presented by Darla Perry, 2nd by Trey Case. No opposition. Motion carried.

8. Committee Reports

There were no Committee Reports at this time.

9. Port Director Report: Announcements/Reports (Legal, Financial, Engineer)

a. **Port Director:** Mr. Hohensee reported that Great Lakes Dredging needs more land and will be leasing another two acres effective March 1. Last week at the Port Association meeting they had someone speak on mitigation. Mr. Hohensee was able to speak with her privately about mitigation processes. There was a brief discussion about what he learned from her.

He also reported that the fleeting increase is due in part to the traffic blockage created by the lock as well as increased traffic due to the ongoing projects.

Mr. Hohensee stated that they would like to move forward with O'Carroll's proposal for the Port's website redesign. There was a brief discussion.

- b. **Legal:** Oliver Schrupf stated that he supplied a map showing the three tracts the port board may be interested in. There was a brief discussion by the board.
- c. **Financial:** Darla Perry reported that in January the port took in \$164,259 and expended \$202,342 leaving a net change in cash of (\$38,082). She reported that the YTD barge days are 30,099, up 5,081 from prior YTD.
- d. **Engineer:** Chuck Stutes reported that the Port Office is substantially complete. It is in the 45-day lien period and they have received final approval from the Fire Marshall.

The MARAD laydown yard project is underway and expect to be ready to move into the bid phase by the next meeting.

After a brief discussion, a motion was made by Jennifer Mabou to accept the Port Director, Legal, Financial and Engineer reports as presented, 2nd by Trey Case. No opposition. Motion carried.

10. Public Comments

There were no public comments at this time.

11. Adjournment

President Dick Kennison adjourned the meeting at approximately 3:36 p.m.

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Secretary