

WEST ST. MARY PARISH PORT, HARBOR AND TERMINAL DISTRICT

MEETING MINUTES

JUNE 2, 2020

6:00 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Wilson Terry, President of the Port Commission. Mr. Terry led in the Pledge of Allegiance. Mr. Willie Peters gave the Invocation. A roll call resulted in the following:

Present:

Murphy Pontiff
Ralph Longman
Joseph Tabb
Willie Peters
Joe Phillips
Wilson Terry

Absent:

Calvin Deshotel
Greg Paul
Donna Lanceslin

Also present at the meeting were Mr. Jude Hebert of CLECO, Mr. Casey Collier of the Franklin Banner Tribune, Mr. Eric Duplantis, Port Attorney, Mr. Reid Miller of Miller Engineers, Mr. David Allain, Executive Director and Ms. Rebecca Pellerin, Office Manager of the Port Commission.

A motion was made by Mr. Peters to dispense with the reading of the May 5, 2020 meeting minutes and to accept them as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Longman. Mr. Terry asked if there was any discussion or any opposition. There was none. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Terry asked if there was any public comment – there was none.

Mr. Allain reported that he was contacted recently by Mr. McIntyre of Marine Turbine Technologies regarding water leaking through the roof of the building they lease at the Port (the building previously occupied by VARCO) referred to as MTT Expansion. Mr. Allain contacted Napier Sheet Metal and ARL and requested that they inspect the building and provide estimates of the necessary repairs. He said that there was a large difference in the estimates. Mr. Allain suggested that the Port request that Miller Engineers prepare specifications for the needed repairs to the building and that he would report back at next month's meeting. Mr. Allain further noted that it was unknown if there was any structural damage to the roof and that it would not be known until the tin is removed. It was agreed that the Port would have Miller Engineers prepare specifications.

Mr. Allain reported on the Port's Baldwin facility- the Quonset hut has been painted. Mr. Allain also reported that he has been contacted by someone interested in possibly leasing the west end building of the Baldwin facility (the single newest building). The company is finalizing their business plan and Mr. Allain said that they would meet again once it has been completed. He also noted that the building is in need of some repairs and those repairs would be addressed once the lease is negotiated.

Mr. Phillips asked if the portable buildings at the Baldwin facility have been removed – Mr. Allain said that he has had some inquiries about the buildings and that when weather conditions allow, the

buildings will be removed. Mr. Longman asked if there was anything inside the Quonset hut and Mr. Allain answered that there was nothing inside of the hut.


Mr. Duplantis reminded the Commissioners about their required online training – Ethics and Preventing Sexual Harassment – the training must be completed by the end of the year.

Mr. Miller reported that the plans for the proposed Training Facility to be built in Baldwin, are being reviewed by the Austin office of the Economic Development Administration. Mr. Allain reported that he spoke with Senator Brett Allain last week and was informed that Capital Outlay monies to be used as additional funding for the Technical School will be released to the St. Mary Parish Council this legislative session and will be placed in escrow for the project.

Mr. Allain also noted that at next month's Port meeting, the Commission will be addressing setting the mileage rate.

There being no further business to be discussed, a motion was made by Mr. Pontiff to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Tabb. Mr. Terry asked if there was any discussion or opposition – there was none. The motion carried unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

Signed



Joseph Tabb, Secretary