**REGULAR MEETING OF THE NORTHEAST LOUISIANA MULTIMODAL DISTRICT**

**HELD ON MAY 28, 2024**

The Northeast Louisiana Multimodal District met in regular session on Tuesday, 28 April 2024 at 2:00 P.M.

Commissioners Steve Weeks, President & Jamie Davis, Secretary/Treasurer were present. Commissioner Karvan Powell, Vice President, was absent. Commissioners Teddy Oliver, Russ Ratcliff, Marshall Hardwick, Jim Lensing, Taft Tucker, & Rogers Leonard were present. Commissioners were absent. Wyly Gilfoil, port/district director & Bryant Killen, deputy port/district director were also present.

Mr. Weeks called the meeting to order.

Minutes from the board meeting held on April 30, 2024 were approved by a motion from Mr. Leonard and second from Mr. Oliver.

Mr. Killen gave a financial statement to the board, which was approved on a motion by Mr. Tucker and a second by Mr. Ratcliff.

Mr. Killen gave a broad overview regarding the goals and objectives of the District. Mr. Killen reviewed the Capital Outlay request that has been made for FY24/25-$3,000,000 in priority 1 & $7,000,000 in priority 5. Mr. Killen presented an update to the board regarding Lake Providence Port Commission’s Port Priority application to reconstruct the railroad south from Tallulah to Newellton, which was submitted on December 1 2022. Mr. Killen also updated the board regarding Tensas Parish Port, Harbor & Terminal District’s Port Priority application (Newellton-Waterproof) as well as the Vidalia Port Commission’s application (Waterproof-Vidalia) which were both turned in on 12/1/23. Mr. Killen reviewed the plan regarding federal earmark requests (CRISI & MARAD), which will be jointly applied for. Mr. Killen gave an overview of the CRISI grant application (DeltaLink)that will be jointly applied for between Southeast Arkansas Economic Development District, Northeast Louisiana Multimodal District, Lake Providence Port Commission, Tensas Port, Harbor & Terminal District, Vidalia Port Commission, & Yellow Bend Port. Project Reports were approved by a motion from Mr. Oliver and a second by Mr. Hardwick.

In Other Business, with a motion by Mr. Oliver and second by Mr. Tucker, the board passed a resolution authorizing President Weeks to execute a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with Madison Parish Port Commission for managerial services. A resolution authorizing President Weeks to execute an Intergovernmental Agreement with LPPC was passed on a motion by Mr. Lensing and second by Mr. Ratcliff. Mr. Killen also gave a brief updated in regards to the expropriation of property south of the CP/KCS. Other Business was approved on a motion by Mr. Hardwickand second by Mr. Oliver.

The meeting adjourned on a motion by Mr. Oliver and a second by Mr. Davis.

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Secretary Treasurer