

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS  
ST. BERNARD PORT, HARBOR AND TERMINAL DISTRICT  
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING – May 14, 2019

The Board of Commissioners of the St. Bernard Port, Harbor and Terminal District met in regular session on Tuesday, May 14, 2019, at 12:00 p.m. in the boardroom of its office located at 100 Port Boulevard, Chalmette, Louisiana.

After the Pledge of Allegiance, roll was called.

Members present were: Rev. Henry Ballard, Jr., President; Mr. William T. Bergeron, Vice President; Ms. Rachel Nunez, Treasurer and Mr. Harold J. Anderson, Commissioner. Absent was Mr. Larry M. Aisola, Jr, Secretary.

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. Sal Cusimano, Research and Administrative Assistant; Mr. Ricky Melerine, Project Manager Assistant; Mr. Suresh Shah, Burk-Kleinpeter, Inc.; Mr. Jim Simmons, N-Y & Associates; Mr. Andrew Jacques, St. Bernard Economic Development Foundation; Mr. Jim Bauer, ITS and Mr. Joey DiFatta, St. Bernard Sheriff's Office.

President Ballard announced the public hearing to present the proposed 2019-2020 Operating Budget for inspection. Mr. Gonzales presented the proposed Budget to the Board and read aloud a corresponding narrative. Mr. Heaphy and the Board discussed the proposed budget, and he informed the Board that the Budget would be on the June agenda for adoption.

President Ballard asked if there were any public comment in accordance with R.S. 42:14 (D). Not hearing from anyone, he continued with the meeting.

On motion of Ms. Nunez, seconded by Mr. Anderson, and after asking for any public comment, the Board unanimously approved the minutes of the regular meeting held on April 9, 2019.

President Ballard announced a public meeting for the purpose of adopting the millage rate. He asked in accordance with R.S.42:14 (D) if there were any public comment on the subject. Not hearing from anyone, he continued with the meeting.

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



President Ballard recognized Mr. Heaphy who gave the Executive Director's Report. Mr. Heaphy informed the Board of the Violet Dock Port Consent Judgement, LMRPWSSC 2019 Security Grant Requests, C. Alvin Bertel Award recipient James Baldwin, Jr. and reminded the board members about personal disclosures being due by May 15, 2019. Mr. Roche was then recognized to give the construction report on current and future projects. The Board discussed the Executive Director's Report. President Ballard thanked Mr. Heaphy for his report.

On motion of Mr. Anderson, seconded by Mr. Bergeron, and after asking for any public comment, the Board unanimously approved authorization for the Executive Director to enter into a professional services contract with Hienz & Macaluso, LLC to perform annual audits for FYs 2018/2019, 2019/2020 and 2020/2021, contract will include two (2) one-year options.

On motion of Ms. Nunez, seconded by Mr. Anderson, and after asking for any public comment, the Board unanimously approved to appoint Mr. Joseph DiFatta to the St. Bernard Parish Redevelopment, LLC Board of Directors to replace P. James DiFatta, Sr.

On motion of Ms. Nunez, seconded by Mr. Anderson, and after asking for any public comment, the Board unanimously approved to select the St. Bernard Voice as the Official Journal for the St. Bernard Port, Harbor and Terminal District pursuant to R.S. 43:171.

On motion of Ms. Nunez, seconded by Mr. Bergeron, the meeting was adjourned.

/s/ Larry M. Aisola, Jr., Secretary