

**CENTRAL LOUISIANA REGIONAL PORT
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
January 20, 2016**

The Central Louisiana Regional Port Board of Commissioners convened 8:00 AM, January 20, 2016, at the Port Central Office, 600 Port Road, Alexandria, Louisiana. The meeting was called to order by President Bryon Salazar.

Present were: Bryon Salazar, President; Jesse Doyle, Dr. Haywood Joiner, Corey Lair, Basil Smith, Terry Spruill, Norman Welch, Rev. Henry Williams, Blake Cooper, Executive Director

Absent: Dave Clabo, David Harvey

Also Present: John Ryland, Neil Martin, Randy Humphries, Stephanie Ryland

A quorum was present.

Invocation given by Commissioner Basil Smith

Pledge of Allegiance led by Commissioner Norman Welch

Welcomed Guest: President Bryon Salazar

VI. Action Items:

- a. Agenda: Motion to approve agenda as proposed. Motion by C. Lair, second by H. Joiner, motion carried without opposition.
- b. Minutes: Motion to approve minutes of meeting held on December 9, 2015. Motion by H. Joiner, second by B. Smith, motion carried without opposition.
- c. Financial: Motion to approve financial statements for November and December, 2015. Motion by C. Lair, second by N. Welch, motion carried without opposition.
- d. Motion to amend the FY 2015-2016 budget as proposed. Motion by C. Lair, second by T. Spruill, motion carried without opposition.
- e. Motion to approve the Personnel Committee's review of the Executive Director. Motion by H. Joiner, second by J. Doyle. (B. Salazar provided an option to B. Cooper to open an Executive Session; B. Cooper appreciated the option but opted against.) N. Welch provided a review of the Employee Performance Review and Evaluation for the Executive Director after one year of employment. H. Williams commented on B. Cooper's work over the past year and appreciates the new image and branding of the Port. Motion carried without opposition.
- f. Motion to Amend Agenda item "f" to allow an expense cap of \$2,000 for B. Cooper's travel to D.C. to attend the National Waterways Conference. Motion by C. Lair, second by N. Welch, motion carried to amend agenda item.
Roll Call was held to approve amendment to the agenda:
Yays: Bryon Salazar, Norman Welch, Jesse Doyle, Corey Lair, Dr. Haywood Joiner, Basil Smith, T. Spruill, Rev. Henry Williams
Nays: None
Motion to approve amended agenda item "f" for travel to the National Waterways Conference by T. Spruill, second by J. Doyle, motion carried without opposition.
- g. Motion to approve payment to Terral River Service in the amount of \$15,517, for improvements made at the lower dock. Motion by J. Doyle, second by N. Welch, motion carried without opposition.

VII. Reports/Updates: The Executive Director provided the Port update with a slide presentation of 2016 Strategic Planning.

VIII. Comments:

- a. Comments by Port Director
- b. Comments by Economic Development officials – no comments
- c. Comments by Legal Counsel – J. Ryland will continue his assistance in meeting goals set by the Port.
- d. Comments / Questions by Commissioners – no comments
- e. Comments by public (limited to 3 minutes per person, not to exceed 21 minutes) – no comments. Neil Martin appreciates the opportunity to attend the Board Meeting.

There being no further business to come before the board, meeting was adjourned by Bryon Salazar, President.

Next meeting date February 17, 2016.

Bryon Salazar, President