

## **JEDCO Executive Committee Meeting** June 30, 2016 - 8:30 A.M. Minutes

Call to Order

8:30 a.m.

Attendance:

Mickal Adler, Jimmy Baum, Mario Bazile, Lloyd Clark, Roy Gattuso, Brian

Heiden, Bruce Layburn, Joe Liss, Paul Rivera, Stephenson Robinson, Stan Salathe

Staff:

Jerry Bologna, Lacey Bordelon, Cynthia Grows, Alberto Queral, Scott Rojas,

Kelsey Scram, Penny Weeks

Absences:

Mark Madderra

Attorney:

Reed Smith - Parish Attorney's Office

**Guests:** 

Ahmad El-Rachidi – Parish President's Office

#### T. Call to Order - Vice Chairman, Bruce Layburn

Vice Chairman Layburn opened the meeting by welcoming the above named guest and leading in the Pledge of Allegiance.

- Approval of Board Absences Stan Salathe motioned to excuse Mark Madderra. The motion was seconded by Jimmy Baum and passed unanimously.
- Approval of JEDCO Minutes for May 26, 2016
   Lloyd Clark motioned to approve the minutes; seconded by Mario Bazile. The motion passed unanimously.

### II. **Public Comments on Agenda Items**

None

#### III. Unfinished and New Business - Vice Chairman, Bruce Layburn

Approval of JEDCO 2016 First Amended Budget Paul Rivera motioned to approve the First Amended Budget. The motion was seconded by Roy Gattuso and passed unanimously.



## IV. Monthly Financial Report - Cynthia Grows

Brian Heiden motioned to approve the monthly financial report as submitted; seconded by Stan Salathe. The motion passed unanimously.

## V. President & CEO Report - Jerry Bologna

- Avondale Shipyard The Port of New Orleans is showing interest in the shipyard and plans to engage a firm to look at financial structuring options for purchase of the facility. JEDCO will be meeting with GNO, Inc. and LED to discuss developing incentive packages for manufacturing.
- Housing Stock Enhancement Committee Meeting The first of four Blue Ribbon Committee meetings was held on June 21<sup>st</sup>. Michael Lauer will present findings and make recommendations to the JEDCO Board in November.
- French America Line On June 24th, JEDCO and Mayor Constant, City of Gretna, announced the luxury riverboat cruise company will use the Gretna Ferry Landing as the home port. The riverboat is headed this way; a 28-day trip traveling from Oregon to the Panama Canal and into the Gulf. Bollinger will receive the vessel for modifications and remodeling.
- ITEP Executive Order The Industrial Tax Exempt Program Executive
  Order by Governor Edwards passed on June 24<sup>th</sup>. This affects new companies
  as well as existing companies. Jerry gave a brief overview of the program and
  identified the ramifications associated with the EO, and also named some of
  the Parish's top manufacturers who will be affected. When program
  procedures become more refined, the JEDCO Board will be briefed again on
  the changes.

# VI. Other Updates or Comments from the JEDCO Board of Commissioners None

# VII. Adjournment

Roy Gattuso motioned to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Joe Liss and passed unanimously.

Jimmy Baum

JEDCO Secretary

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