**PORT OF IBERIA DISTRICT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**SPECIAL BOARD MEETING**

**FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2023**

**PORT ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE – 12:00 P.M.**

**MINUTES**

 The Special Meeting of the Port of Iberia District Board of Commissioners was called to order by Commissioner Shane Walet, Board President, at the Port of Iberia Administrative Office, on Friday, February 3, 2023 at 12:00 P.M.

In attendance were Commissioners Shane Walet, Board President, Patrick Broussard, Vice-President, Mark Dore’, Secretary-Treasurer, Danny J. David, Sr, Roy A. Pontiff, and Simieon d. Theodile.

Commissioner Bilal Morton was absent.

Also present were Tracy Boudreaux, Chief Administrative Officer, Shari Landry, Bookkeeper-Secretary, and Donelson T. Caffery, Port Attorney.

Thus, with a quorum being acknowledged, Commissioner Patrick Broussard recited the opening prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

The purpose of the Special Meeting was to Discuss/Consider the following: Authorizing Max J. Derbes, Inc. to submit a Letter of Intent to Purchase 117.36 Acres located at the Port of Iberia, Adopting a Resolution Authorizing GIS Engineering, LLC to Prepare & Submit an Application to the Louisiana Port Construction & Development Priority Program for the Assistance of a Port Improvement Project, Authorizing Max J. Derbes, Inc. and Executive Director to Negotiate a Lease with Prospect Regarding the 117.36 Acres located at the Port of Iberia, and Approval of Chart Industries & Patriot Construction Entergy Right-of-Ways.

1. Discuss/Consider Authorizing Max J. Derbes, Inc. to Submit Letter of Intent to Purchase 117.36 Acres at the Port of Iberia.

A motion was made by Commissioner Roy A. Pontiff, seconded by Commissioner Patrick Broussard to authorize Max J. Derbes, Inc. to Submit a Letter of Intent to Mosing Group, LLC for the purchase of 117.36 acres located at the Port of Iberia (3500 Segura Road, New Iberia, LA 70560) in accordance with the description of the Letter of Intent presented.

This motion having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

Yeas: Shane Walet, Patrick Broussard, Mark Dore,’ Danny J. David, Sr., Roy A. Pontiff, and Simieon d. Theodile.

Nays: None.

Absent at Voting: Bilal Morton.

And the motion was therefore passed on this the 3rd day of February, 2023.

1. Discuss/Consider Adopting a Resolution Authorizing GIS Engineering, LLC to Prepare & Submit an Application to the Louisiana Port Construction & Development Priority Program for the Assistance of a Port Improvement Project.

A motion was made by Commissioner Mark Dore,’ seconded by Danny J. David, Sr. to adopt the following Resolution:

PORT OF IBERIA DISTRICT

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RESOLUTION

A Resolution authorizing the Port of Iberia District to prepare and submit an application to the Louisiana Port Construction and Development Priority Program for assistance in the implementation of a port improvement project; providing for the necessary documentation of the need for the port improvement; and providing for other matters in connection therewith.

WHEREAS, Port of Iberia District has a need for port improvements; and

WHEREAS, Port of Iberia District desires to apply for State matching funds pursuant to Chapter 47 of Title 34 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, as amended, to implement a project to improve its port operation and the Port of Iberia District is fully aware of its obligations under said Statute; and

WHEREAS, Port of Iberia District is a political body duly organized and existing under the laws of the State of Louisiana and is eligible to apply for funds under said Statute,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Port of Iberia District as follows:

Section 1. That Port of Iberia District acknowledges that a formal application will be prepared and submitted to the Louisiana Port Construction and Development Priority Program.

Section 2. That at the appropriate time and upon approval of funding assistance and prior to commencement of work on the project Port of Iberia District agrees to execute a Project Agreement and a Statement of Sponsorship pursuant to the Statute.

Section 3. That Oneil Malbrough, Sr., Vice President of GIS Engineering, LLC, is hereby designated Authorized Representative for Port of Iberia District to affect the preparation of an application to the Louisiana Port Construction and Development Priority Program for funding assistance of a port improvement project.

Section 4. That said Authorized Representative's responsibilities shall pertain to technical matters only and shall not include any official act on behalf of the Port of Iberia District.

This Resolution having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

Yeas: Shane Walet, Patrick Broussard, Mark Dore,’ Danny J. David, Sr., Roy A. Pontiff, and Simieon d. Theodile.

Nays: None.

Absent at Voting: Bilal Morton.

And the Resolution was therefore adopted on this the 3rd day of February, 2023.

1. Discuss/Consider Authorizing Max J. Derbes, Inc. and Executive Director to Negotiate a Lease with Prospect Regarding the 117.38 Acres at the Port of Iberia.

A motion was made by Commissioner Simieon d. Theodile, seconded by Commissioner Patrick Broussard to authorize Max J. Derbes, Inc. and Executive Director to negotiate a Lease Agreement with Vestrel Group or related assigns regarding the 117.38 acres located at the Port of Iberia (3500 Segura Road, New Iberia, LA 70560) and bring back to the Board.

This motion having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

Yeas: Shane Walet, Patrick Broussard, Mark Dore,’ Danny J. David, Sr., Roy A. Pontiff, and Simieon d. Theodile.

Nays: None.

Absent at Voting: Bilal Morton.

And the motion was therefore passed on this the 3rd day of February, 2023.

1. Discuss/Consider Authorizing Executive Director to Negotiate a Lease with Patriot Construction Regarding Property at POI West Yard.

A motion was made by Commissioner Patrick Broussard, seconded by Commissioner Danny J. David, Sr. to authorize Executive Director to negotiate a Lease Agreement with Patriot Construction & Industrial, LLC regarding Buildings E and F located at the Port of Iberia West Yard and bring back to the Board.

This motion having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

Yeas: Shane Walet, Patrick Broussard, Mark Dore,’ Danny J. David, Sr., Roy A. Pontiff, and Simieon d. Theodile.

Nays: None.

Absent at Voting: Bilal Morton.

And the motion was therefore passed on this the 3rd day of February, 2023.

1. Discuss/Consider Approval of Entergy Right-of-Ways.

A motion was made by Commissioner Roy A. Pontiff, seconded by Commissioner Simieon d. Theodile to authorize the Board President to execute the Entergy Right-of-Way Agreement for Chart Industries regarding the underground facilities located at Plant 2 (5315 Cornelius P. Voorhies Road).

This motion having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

Yeas: Shane Walet, Patrick Broussard, Mark Dore,’ Danny J. David, Sr., Roy A. Pontiff, and Simieon d. Theodile.

Nays: None.

Absent at Voting: Bilal Morton.

And the motion was therefore passed on this the 3rd day of February, 2023.

1. ADJOURNMENT

On a motion made by Commissioner Mark Dore’, and seconded by Commissioner Danny J. David, Sr the meeting was adjourned at 12:46 p.m.