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## **PROCEEDINGS**

## CAMERON PARISH PORT HARBOR & TERMINAL DISTRICT

August 23, 2022

The Cameron Parish Port Harbor & Terminal District met in regular session on Tuesday, August 23, 2022, at the Port Board Building, Cameron, Louisiana at 5:00 o'clock PM.

Present: Thomas Cox, Howard Romero, James Brown, Nina Jones, Tremayne Picou, Jennifer Picou, Tim Dupont

Absent: Sheila Miller, Dwight Savoie, Nat Griffith, Alfred Devall

Guests: Earl Melancon- LA Sea Grant, Melissa Dupont, Bryon Richard- LGH, Wendell Wilkerson,

Corbin Spires- USCG, Mache Mason- USCG, David Abando- USCG, Randy Scott- USCG,

Kevin Savoie- LA Sea Grant, Ryan Mallory

Parish Agencies:

Kim Montie, Port Director

Tianna Dunaway, Asst. Port Director

Tom Barrett, District Attorney

Chelsea Champagne, Assistant District Attorney

The meeting was called to order by Chairman James Brown.

Howard Romero led the Pledge of Allegiance and James Brown gave the invocation.

During public comment, district attorney Tom Barrett asked about security regarding vessels. Randy Scott with the US Coast Guard stated that there are opportunities in place regarding requesting funding for port security.

On the motion of Mr. Dupont, seconded by Mr. Cox and carried the board approved the July 26, 2022 regular meeting minutes.

On the motion of Mr. Romero seconded by Mrs. Jones and carried the board approved the treasurer's report.

On the motion of Mr. Dupont, seconded by Mr. Picou and carried the board approved payment of the August 2022 bills.

The Board reviewed the actuals and the budget.

There was no correspondence.

Mrs. Kimberly Montie gave a staff report. She gave an update on the AOC park insurance and also spoke about different meetings she has attended since the last port meeting. She also discussed with the board their options of choosing a different bank.

On the motion of Mr. Dupont, seconded by Mr. Romero and carried the board approved transferring the regular checking funds to B1 Bank and the interest-bearing funds to Lamp.

Under old business, Earl Melancon gave an update on AOC Park. He stated that everything was ready to go and insurance just needed to be approved. Kim Montie informed the board that grant money would cover the first two years of insurance. Ryan Mallory explained the process regarding leasing for the AOC Park being that he is familiar with the program.

On the motion of Mr. Romero seconded by Mr. Dupont and carried, the board approved the purchase of a Travelers's Marine Liability Insurance Policy for the AOC Park.

Under new business Bruce Lambert with MARAD informed the board about port funding opportunities on the federal level. He spoke about vessel construction and programs to finance ship building as well as port security grants. The board viewed the support letters for the jetty extension and the Calcasieu Ship Channel deepening. After much discussion, on its effects of the people of Cameron Parish, the board decided to have Kim draft a letter with stipulations and to further discuss, before responding back to the Port of Lake Charles.

The next regular meeting will be scheduled for September 27, 2022, at 5 PM at the Cameron Parish Port Building.

There being no further business and upon motion of Mr. Romero seconded by Mr. Cox and carried, the meeting was declared adjourned.

APPROVED:

James K. Brown, Chairman

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ATTEST:

Sheila Miller, Secretary