TERREBONNE PORT COMMISSION

**MINUTES**

**July 12, 2022**

**1116 Bayou Lacarpe Rd.**

Houma, Louisiana 70363

# **Steve Crispino, President Presiding**

Present: Steve Crispino, Greg Landry, John DeBlieux, Andrew Blanchard and Chris Erny arriving at 12:19

**Absent: Bill Purvis and Dan Davis**

Staff: David Rabalais – Executive Director, Sonja Labat - Finance Manager, Wayne Lirette - Maintenance

**Legal: Danna Schwab – Schwab Law Firm**

**Consultants O’Neal Malbrough and Bill Blanchard – GIS, Stevie Smith – All South, Amber Plessala – T. Baker Smith, Craig Hebert and David Waitz**

###### Media: None

###### Guests: Pernell Pellegrin – Martin and Pellegrin and Vic Lafont - SLEC

1. **WELCOME AND INVOCATION** 
   1. **Steve Crispino, President, called the meeting to order and led with the invocation by Greg Landry and the Pledge of Allegiance. Sonja Labat called roll. A quorum was present.**
2. **PUBLIC WISHING TO ADDRESS THE COMMISSION –**
   1. **Pernell Pellegrin with Martin and Pellegrin was present to discuss the annual audit and the Statewide AUP’s. He filed the audit report with the Parish and the legislative auditor in a timely manner. A sexual harassment policy will need to be adopted. He suggested forming an audit committee to further discuss audit if necessary.**
   2. **Vic Lafont with South Louisiana Economic Council (SLEC) was present to give a discussion. He has been involved for 32 years. He discussed the ROI Recruitment Program, new and ongoing projects and project updates.**
3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND ABSENCES**
   1. **A motion by Chris Erny and seconded by John DeBlieux approving the minutes of the June 17, 2022 regular meeting. No opposition. Motion passed.**
   2. **A motion by John DeBlieux and seconded by Chris Erny approving the absences of Bill Purvis, Andrew Blanchard and Greg Landry from the regular meeting of June 17, 2022. No opposition. Motion passed.**
4. **FINANCIAL REPORT**
   1. **Reconciliation of finances were reviewed and approved for the month of June 2022 on a motion by Andrew Blanchard and seconded by Greg Landry. No opposition. Motion passed.**
5. **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT** 
   1. **Government Multi-Use Complex**
      1. **CBP (OFO) Expansion – Craig Hebert discussed the status of the project as they have a conference call on tomorrow. The security package was submitted today and CBP is ready to occupy the space as soon as construction is complete.**
   2. **Other Port Projects**
      1. **HNC Deepening Study – Bill Blanchard with GIS was present to give a project update. They are continuing to explore the pipelines and hoping to be complete by the end of July. They are working on the abstracts from the landowners. They are shooting for September for submittal of Phase 1. S motion was offered by Chris Erny and seconded by Andrew Blanchard to approve the GIS HNC Deepening invoice in the amount of $54,457.50. No opposition. Motion passed.**
      2. **HNC Maintenance Dredging (Corp) – Ray Newman is hesitant to dredge because we are now in hurricane season. He plans to dredge north after hurricane season with the remainder of the funding.**
      3. **HNC Rock Jetty – Nothing to report.**
      4. **Port Pump – David Waitz was present to give a project update. The contractor is still awaiting delivery of the generator. He also discussed a parish project on Brady Road. The Parish will dump and spread broken asphalt on the Port property to help fill the low areas.**
      5. **Corp Mat Demonstration Project - David briefly discussed the Corp Mat Demonstration Project. The project area has been cleared.**
6. **EXECUTIVE SESSION – A motion by Chris Erny and seconded by John DeBlieux to enter into executive session at 12:56 to discuss strategic planning. No opposition. Motion passed. A motion by Greg Landry and seconded by John DeBlieux to return to the agenda at 1:20. No opposition. Motion passed.**
7. **COMMITTEE REPORTS – The marketing committee will begin to move forward.**
8. **COMMISSIONER’S COMMENTS – The Chairman thanked T. Baker Smith for providing lunch.**
9. **STAFF REPORT – None**
10. **ADJOURNMENT – There being no further business to come before the commission, a motion made for adjournment by Andrew Blanchard and seconded by Greg Landry. The meeting was adjourned at 1:22 pm. No opposition. Motion passed.**