The Madison Parish Port Commission met in a regular session on Tuesday, April 26, 2016 at the Madison Parish Port Office. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Frazier and a roll call was taken as follows:

Commissioners present: Donald Frazier, Charles Vining, Jim Tucker, Isaiah Ross, Robert Charles Brown and Latasha Griffin

Commissioners absent: Harold Allen

Other members present: Mr. Terry Murphy, Director; and Kimmeka Epps, Secretary/Treasurer

Visitors: Jaime Webb (Terral River Service)

On motion given by Commissioner Vining and seconded by Commissioner Ross, on the previous meeting minutes from the meeting Tuesday, March 29, 2016 the minutes were approved with no necessary changes. Motion carried unanimously.

Secretary Epps informed the board of the changes to CD#2.

 On motion given by Commissioner Vining and seconded by Commissioner Brown, the financial reports were approved with no necessary changes. Motion carried unanimously.

Murphy discussed the electrical service for the new tenant. Murphy spoke with Paul Sorter (Entergy) concerning the process of the electrical service to the Lansing Trade Group site. The Port is responsible for the startup cost of electrical service to the site. Commissioner Vining suggest Murphy speak with Lansing concerning an electrical permit.

Murphy informed the board on the results of the bid for Moffat & Nichol. Only one bid was obtained, which was $90,000 over the amount of the bid. The construction time changed from 90 days to 180 days. Commissioner Vining and Griffin requested to see the revised bid info before Moffat & Nichol submits info the public.

Murphy informed the board of another round of Capital Outlay requests for fiscal year 2017. Tenants of the Port are writing letters to the Governor expressing how important the said Capital Outlay request is to the businesses at the Port of Madison Parish.

Murphy informed the board of ongoing discussions with GHD to acquire funds for security and infrastructure. Fetters suggested completing an economic development study of the area.

Murphy provided information of the attendance of the DOTD Conference. Murphy stated that he made good contacts during the conference.

Murphy provided information of the Statewide Economic Development Summit. Monies were doubled for Port priority plan.

On motion given by Commissioner Vining and seconded by Commissioners Tucker & Griffin, the board voted to enter into executive session. Motion carried unanimously.

A roll call was taken.

On motion given by Commissioner Vining and seconded by Commissioner Ross, the board voted to enter back into regular session. Motion carried unanimously.

A roll call was taken.

Commissioner Frazier asked for Public comment. Jaime Webb is optimistic about the future dock work.

There being no further business brought before the board, Commissioner Frazier declared the meeting adjourned.

Kimmeka Epps Donald Frazier

Secretary/Treasurer Chairman