



Grand Isle Port Commission

John Bel Edwards - Governor
Commissioners: Bob Sevin-President, Terrill Pizani-Vice President,
Juanita B. Cheramie-Secretary/Treasurer, Ambrose Besson, and
Perry Chighizola
Wayne Keller-Executive Director

Wednesday, May 20, 2020

Meeting opened at noon by Commissioner Bob Sevin at the Grand Isle Multiplex Building located at 3101 Louisiana Highway 1. Commissioners present were Bob Sevin, Perry Chighizola, Ambrose Besson and Juanita B. Cheramie. Commissioner Terrill Pizani was absent.

A motion was made by Commissioner Cheramie, seconded by Commissioner Besson and unanimously agreed to approve the minutes of the meeting held on March 11, 2020 as read.

A discussion was held on the channel that was dredged for the new Levee Board Breakwaters on the north side of Grand Isle. The state will let us keep the new channel but mitigation is required. The state wants \$29,911 for the channel. The channel helps vessels to towards Caminada Pass. A motion was made by Commissioner Chighizola, seconded by Commissioner Besson and unanimously to pay the mitigation fees and work with the levee board to keep the channel open to vessels.

A motion was made by Commissioner Cheramie, seconded by Commissioner Besson and unanimously agreed to approve a letter of no objection for a levee system on the Port Commercial Dock. This motion approves the lawyers from the port and levee to work together and the levee board will return to get final approval after viewing maps showing the exact alignment of the levee system.

A motion was made by Commissioner Chighizola, seconded by Commissioner Besson and unanimously agreed to approve the financial report and pay all the invoices associated with operating the port commission.

Director Keller stated that the engineering report is the same. Covid 19 has put a halt to projects with the state. President Sevin stated Mr. Keller needs to go to Baton Rouge and get the funding to start the Commercial Dock improvements. Mr. Collins did not pay his lease yet he needed clarification on when the lease started. The commissioners stated the lease started January 1, 2020. Mr. Keller brought up replacing some piling clusters in Caminada Pass. The commissioners stated to come back with quotes.

President Sevin stated we will go over the Director's performance next meeting. Mr. Keller stated he has a rough draft of the 5-year plan and wants the commissioner's ideas. Better details will be provided. Some commissioners are not getting the weekly progress report from the Director.

A motion was made by Commissioner Besson, seconded by Commissioner Chighizola and unanimously agreed to adjourn the meeting at 1:34 p.m.

Bob Sevin, Commissioner
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