The Madison Parish Port Commission met in a regular session on Tuesday, April 27, 2021 at the Madison Parish Port Commission Office. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Donald Frazier and a roll call was taken as follows:

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

Commissioners absent: Robert Charles Brown and Harold Allen

Other members present: Patrick Terry Murphy, Executive Director &

 Kimmeka Epps, Secretary/Treasurer

Visitors: Brian Killen (LP Port), Dan Militaru and Dr .Chester Wilson

On motion given by Commissioner Griffin and seconded by Commissioner Vining, on approving the previous meeting minutes on Tuesday, March 23, 2021. The minutes were approved with no necessary corrections. Motion carried unanimously.

Secretary Epps updated the board on the status of Lansing Grain Account. The account is now current.

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

Murphy explained the amended items requested from CHS. CHS is requesting additional acreage per their lease. The lease changes are listed within the lease with the description. The lease was reviewed by the Port’s Attorney Troy Villa. Entergy right of way was requested from CHS as well. Secretary Epps has taken care of those documents.

Roll Call:

YEAS: 5

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 2

ABSTAIN: 0

On motion given by Commissioner Vining and seconded by Commissioners Ross & Griffin, to approve the amended lease for CHS. Motion carried unanimously.

Murphy discussed that Helena Chemical is nearing their final stages of construction.

Murphy reported on potential prospects interested in the Port of Madison Parish. The entity is interested in land on the river with access to rail and barge access. Commissioner Vining added that he questioned the group on whether they would purchase directly from Farmers or whether they are retail. The group stated all of the services.

**Public comments: Bryant Killen, Deputy Director Port of Lake Providence, Tensas and Vidalia Ports. Lake Providence Port is interested in acquiring 20 miles of rail to the rail at the Madison Port. Dan Militaru, Rail Vehicle Services. Militaru explained his start up business and procedures with the board. Dr. Wilson, La Tech, is assisting with the electronic charging technology for Rail Vehicle Services.**

On motion given by Commissioner Vining and seconded by Commissioner Griffin, to move into executive session. Motion carried unanimously.

On motion given by Commissioner Vining and seconded by Commissioners Ross and Griffin, to end the executive session and return to regular session. Motion carried unanimously

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

Kimmeka Epps Donald Frazier

Secretary/Treasurer Chairman