

**PORT OF IBERIA DISTRICT  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR MEETING – WEDNESDAY, APRIL 19, 2017  
PORT ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE - 5:30 P.M.  
MINUTES**

The regular meeting of the Port of Iberia District Board of Commissioners was called to order by Commissioner Gene L. Jefferies, Board President, at the Port of Iberia Administrative Office, on Wednesday, April 19, 2017, at 5:30 P.M.

In attendance were Commissioners Gene L. Jefferies, President, Roy A. Pontiff, Vice-President, Elbridge "Smitty" Smith, III, Secretary-Treasurer, and Danny J. David, Sr.

Commissioners Simieon d. Theodile, Mark Dore', and Larry Rader were absent.

Also present were Craig F. Romero, Executive Director, Joanna D. Durke, Administrative Assistant, Tracy Domingue, Secretary-Bookkeeper and Ray Allain, Port Attorney.

Thus, with a quorum being acknowledged, Commissioner Danny J. David, Sr. recited the opening prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

**I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Regular Meeting, March 21, 2017.**

**On a motion by Commissioner Elbridge "Smitty" Smith, III, seconded by Commissioner Danny J. David, Sr., the Commission approved the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on March 21, 2017.**

**This motion having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:**

**Yeas: Gene L. Jefferies, Roy A. Pontiff, Elbridge "Smitty" Smith, III, and Danny J. David, Sr.**

**Nays: None.**

**Absent at Voting: Simieon d. Theodile, Mark Dore', and Larry Rader.**

**And the motion was therefore passed on this the 19th day of April, 2017.**

**II. EXPANSION OF AGENDA**

**A motion was made by Commissioner Danny J. David, Sr., seconded by Commissioner Roy A. Pontiff, to expand the Port of Iberia District Board of Commissioners Regular Monthly Board Meeting of Wednesday, April 19, 2017 to Discuss/Consider a letter received from the Louisiana Economic Development (LED) for the potential for an Economic Development Project at the Port of Iberia**

regarding the installation of an 8" gas line at Louisiana CAT; also to Discuss/Consider entering into Executive Session regarding pending litigation between Larry Doiron, LLC vs Port of Iberia.

**This motion having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:**

**Yeas: Gene L. Jefferies, Roy A. Pontiff, Elbridge "Smitty" Smith, III, and Danny J. David, Sr.**

**Nays: None.**

**Absent at Voting: Simieon d. Theodile, Mark Dore', and Larry Rader.**

**And the motion was therefore passed on this the 19th day of April, 2017.**

A letter dated April 6, 2017 was presented to the Board from the Louisiana Economic Development (LED). Mr. Don Pierson, Secretary of LED explained in his April 6, 2017 letter to the POI, that he would like to further discuss the potential for an economic development project at the Port involving Louisiana CAT. LED is proposing that Louisiana CAT and the Port, as the sponsoring entity, enter into a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement (CEA) under the Economic Development Award Program (EDAP) for the installation of an 8" gas line at the Port for use by LA CAT and other Port tenants. EDAP is a performance-based program for the retention or creation of new jobs and payroll to the State and any other negotiated requirements.

Executive Director Craig Romero reported there was a meeting with Representative Taylor Barras, Senator Fred Mills, Mr. Don Pierson, Ms. Natalie Broussard, and other Parish Councilmen. Mr. Craig Romero stated he received a call from Mr. Don Pierson saying based on the cost estimate to run the 8" gas line, the State of Louisiana is prepared to allocate \$450,000.00 to match the \$750,000.00 coming from different sources (Iberia Parish Government, Port of Iberia, and Louisiana CAT each put up \$250,000.00). Mr. Craig Romero stated he is on the Iberia Parish Council's Agenda for the Iberia Parish Economic Development District #1 (EDD) on Wednesday, April 26, 2017.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Danny J. David, Sr., seconded by Commissioner Elbridge "Smitty" Smith, III to approve and make a commitment to fund \$250,000.00 to go towards the \$1.2M Construction Project regarding the construction of an 8" gas line to serve the new Louisiana CAT Facility; and motion further acknowledges that the State of Louisiana Economic Development will allocate \$450,000.00 to match the \$750,000.00 coming from various sources (Iberia Parish Government, Port of Iberia, and Louisiana Cat. each funding \$250,000.00).**

**This motion having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:**

**Yeas: Gene L. Jefferies, Roy A. Pontiff, Elbridge "Smitty" Smith, III, and Danny J. David, Sr.**

**Nays: None.**

**Absent at Voting: Simieon d. Theodile, Mark Dore', and Larry Rader.  
And the motion was therefore passed on this the 19th day of April, 2017.**

**III. DISCUSS AND/OR DISTRIBUTE THE FOLLOWING:**

- (a) Budget Summary for Nine (9) Months Ending March 2017.**
- (b) Listing of Tenant Lease Billings.**
- (c) Listing of Boat Stall Lease Billings.**
  - {1} Update on Port Attorney's Letter Notifying Mr. Timothy Chesson of the LeBlanc Marine, LLC Proposal Regarding Removal and Disposal of Submerged Sailboat in Marina Slip #5.**

Port Attorney Ray Allain stated Mr. Timothy Chesson reached out to him in response to the letter Mr. Ray Allain sent Mr. Timothy Chesson to explain his situation. Mr. Ray Allain reported Mr. Timothy Chesson is a man with a family who works offshore and can't afford to pay the entire thing at one time. Port Attorney Ray Allain told Mr. Timothy Chesson it would be his recommendation the Port of Iberia take a Judgment against Mr. Timothy Chesson, but if he wanted to consent to a Judgement then he could save the attorney's fees and court costs. Mr. Timothy Chesson has agreed to do that. Mr. Kreig Breaux is drafting the Consent Judgement to send to Mr. Timothy Chesson. Mr. Timothy Chesson states he could pay \$500.00 a month. The Consent Judgement will be an obligation that the Port of Iberia will not have to litigate if he fails to pay. The Port could proceed with collections. If Mr. Timothy Chesson pays the \$500.00 a month then he would pay it off in less than 3 years. Port Attorney Ray Allain is requesting the Port wait 30 days then get the Consent signed then we could contract with Ben LeBlanc Marine, LLC.

**A motion was made by Commissioner Elbridge "Smitty" Smith, III, seconded by Commissioner Roy A. Pontiff, to approve and authorize the Port Attorney to move forward with Consent Judgement then bring back to the Board at the next Monthly Meeting (Tuesday, May 16, 2017) to get authorization to remove the submerged sailboat.**

**This motion having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:**

**Yeas: Gene L. Jefferies, Roy A. Pontiff, Elbridge "Smitty" Smith, III, and Danny J. David, Sr.**

**Nays: None.**

**Absent at Voting: Simieon d. Theodile, Mark Dore', and Larry Rader.**

**And the motion was therefore passed on this the 19th day of April, 2017.**

- (d) Approve Payment of Bills & Checks Issued During Interim Period.**

**A motion was made by Commissioner Roy A. Pontiff, seconded by Commissioner Danny J. David, Sr., to approve and authorize the payment of bills for April 2017, and ratify those paid during the interim period.**

**This motion having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:**

**Yeas: Gene L. Jefferies, Roy A. Pontiff, Elbridge “Smitty” Smith, III, and Danny J. David, Sr.**

**Nays: None.**

**Absent at Voting: Simieon d. Theodile, Mark Dore’, and Larry Rader.**

**And the motion was therefore passed on this the 19th day of April, 2017.**

**(e) Computer Summary of Lease Agreement Activity Sheet.**

**IV. RATIFICATION & RENEWAL OF CERTIFICATES OF DEPOSIT.**

**A motion was made by Commissioner Roy A. Pontiff, seconded by Commissioner Elbridge “Smitty” Smith, III, to approve and ratify the renewal of Certificate of Deposit Number 40000326801 which matured on March 24, 2017, with Iberia Bank, for twelve (12) months at the rate of 0.50% and 0.50% A.P.Y., for the Louisiana Machinery/WPS Security Deposit, in accordance with the Lease Agreement with the Port of Iberia District.**

**This motion having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:**

**Yeas: Gene L. Jefferies, Roy A. Pontiff, Elbridge “Smitty” Smith, III, and Danny J. David, Sr.**

**Nays: None.**

**Absent at Voting: Simieon d. Theodile, Mark Dore’, and Larry Rader.**

**And the motion was therefore passed on this the 19th day of April, 2017.**

**V. MR. FRIEDO DEGREEF, ACCOUNT MANAGER, MAMMOET TO ADDRESS THE BOARD REGARDING THEIR LEASE AGREEMENT ON LOTS “8R, 9R, 10R, 11R, 12R, & 13R”**

Mr. Friedo DeGreef, Account Manager, Mammoet, reported to the Board after 14 years at the Port of Iberia, Mammoet will be leaving. Mr. Friedo reported they would like to leave in such a way that they would be welcome to the Port of Iberia again when work picks back up. They do not see anything happening for them within the next 3 or 4 years. He reported if something does happen they would not need anything with waterfront. They would just need land to store equipment. Mr. Friedo stated he knows Mammoet is still under contract with the Port of Iberia until February 2018 but he would like to see what he could do to leave; they would be leaving some assets behind. Mammoet will be ordering the Environmental Phase I. Commissioner Roy A. Pontiff asked Mr. Friedo what kind of assets they have on the property now. Mr. Friedo stated they have a shed, a couple of containers, and an office building. Commissioner Gene L. Jefferies asked Mr. Friedo if they had a timeline on when they would like to leave. Mr. Friedo stated they would like to leave as quick as possible.

Executive Director Craig Romero stated LeBlanc Marine, LLC has heard about Mammoet’s desire to want to leave and give up the tract. Mr. Ben LeBlanc went look at

the property and came to Mrs. Joanna Durke stating he does want the property. Commissioner Roy A. Pontiff stated he would be comfortable in allowing Mammoet to cancel their lease if the Port has another tenant to pick up the lease at the same time as cancelling. Commissioner Roy A. Pontiff asked within the next 30 days if Mr. Craig Romero and Mrs. Joanna Durke could negotiate with Ben LeBlanc and Mammoet to see what kind of assets are going to be left and put a dollar value on them so at the next meeting the Board could act on both of them.

**VI. MS. LORRICE GUIDRY, STAFFING/RECRUITMENT SPECIALIST, ANNEX SERVICES, INC. TO ADDRESS THE BOARD TO DISCUSS OIL & GAS STAFFING AND RECRUITMENT.**

Ms. Lorraine Guidry, Staffing/Recruitment Specialist, Annex Services, Inc., presented the Board with information regarding Oil & Gas Staffing and Recruitment. Annex Services has a positive impact on people everyday. Helping people to “gain better work, to create a better life” is their common purpose in the way in which they contribute to society. Annex Services is provider of work force solutions. Their services and solutions fall into the broad categories of temporary staffing, permanent placement, career transition, and talent development as well as outsourcing and consulting. As the world leader, Annex Services offers the full range of human resources solutions which are tailored to meet the evolving needs of their clients and associates. Annex Services provides general staffing-office, general staffing-industrial, and professional staffing-IT and engineering and technical.

**VII. MR. JUDE HEBERT, RESIDENTIAL AND COMMERCIAL DEVELOPER, CLECO, TO ADDRESS THE BOARD REGARDING LED DRONE VIDEO.**

Mr. Jude Hebert, Residential and Commercial developer, Cleco, wanted to follow up with the drone process that has taken place over the certified sites. Mr. Jude Hebert reported Mr. Mike Sibley came to the Board meeting in March for a brief presentation saying they were working on the certified sites, trying to get some verbiage changed. They currently are still working on this. Before the final presentation is presented he would like to get with Executive Director Craig Romero to make sure everything is done right.

**VIII. MR. GERALD GESSER, GESSER GROUP, APC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON:**

- (a) **LA DOTD Port Construction & Development Priority Program:  
State Project Number H.011756 (322) Port Improvements- Site Improvements – Tracts “K”, “L”, & “M”.  
Infrastructure Improvements – Tract “K” (Phase II of SPN H.011756) (LOGAN INDUSTRIES INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION – TRACT “K” – 10.61 ACRES).**

**{1} Status Report.**

- (b) LA DOTD Port Construction & Development Priority Program:  
State Project Number H.011756(321) Port Improvements - Site  
Improvements - Tracts "K", "L", & "M".  
Infrastructure Improvements - Tract "L" (Phase I of SPN H.011756)  
(RAM DESIGN, LLC - TRACT "L" - 18.13 ACRES).  
{1} Status Report.**

Mr. Gerald Gesser, Gesser Group APC, reported that the LA DOTD came in and met with Mr. Craig Romero, Mrs. Joanna Durke, Ms. Tracy Domingue, Mr. Marc Berard, and himself going through all the documentation. He recently received questions regarding 5 or 6 change orders and he will be addressing those within the next couple of days.

- (c) Update on the Maintenance and Repairs of the Central Gulf Shipyard  
Property Site Located at Tracts "A" & "B" and Lots 62 – 67.  
{1} Update on Project.**

Mr. Gerald Gesser, Gesser Group APC, reported all the repairs on the main building have been completed. The contractor has started some of the priming of the wooden building and should be finished within the next couple of weeks. By the next meeting, the project should be completed.

**IX. REPORT FROM MR. MARC BERARD, BERARD, HABETZ AND  
ASSOCIATES, INC., ON:**

- (a) Update on Intersection Improvements to the Corner of David Berard  
Road/Weeks Island Road.  
{1} Update on Project.**

Mr. Marc Berard, Berard, Habetz, & Associates, reported at this time they are finished with all the drainage work except for the dressing on the top at the site. They are waiting until the project is just about complete then they will go back and rework the surface. They are currently working on Phase 1 of the 3 phases. They are scheduled to make the first concrete pour on Friday, April 21, 2017. If all the concrete test is satisfactory, they will switch and start moving traffic on Tuesday, April 25, 2017. The contractor is about two (2) weeks behind schedule on Phase 1. They are hoping they will make up their time on Phase (2) and (3).

**{2} Discuss/Approve Contractor Pay App No. 1.**

**A motion was made by Commissioner Elbridge "Smitty" Smith, III, seconded by  
Commissioner Roy A. Pontiff, to approve and authorize the payment of  
Contractor Pay Application No.1 in the amount of \$63,350.68 to Glenn Lege  
Construction for the Intersection Improvements to the Corner of David Berard  
Road/Weeks Island Road for work accomplished from March 1, 2017 thru March**

31, 2017 in accordance with contract dated January 17, 2017.

This motion having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

Yeas: Gene L. Jefferies, Roy A. Pontiff, Elbridge "Smitty" Smith, III, and Danny J. David, Sr.

Nays: None.

Absent at Voting: Simieon d. Theodile, Mark Dore', and Larry Rader.

And the motion was therefore passed on this the 19th day of April, 2017.

**X. REPORT FROM MR. ZACK AUTIN, P.E. OF GIS ENGINEERING, LLC ON:**

**(a) LA DOTD Port Construction & Development Priority Program:**

**Phase III of State Project Number 578-23-0018 / H.009021 (323) Port-Site Bulkhead Relocation Phase II A – Bulkhead 12B (POI Public Dock – Port Canal) for the AGMAC Bulkhead Relocation & Design Project (Public Property).**

**{1} Update on Construction of Bulkhead 12B.**

- Removal of structures and obstructions (cut holes for anchor installation – completed)
- Helical anchor failure test – completed
- Helical anchor installation – on-going
- Sheet pile installation – on-going

**{2} Discuss/Approve Contractor Pay App No. 4.**

A motion was made by Commissioner Elbridge "Smitty" Smith, III, seconded by Commissioner Danny J. David, Sr., to approve and authorize the payment of Contractor Pay Application No. 4 in the amount of \$346,375.89 to Larry Doiron, LLC. for the LA DOTD Port Construction & Development Priority Program: Phase III of State Project Number 578-23-0018 / H.009021 (323) Port-Site Bulkhead Relocation Phase II A – Bulkhead 12B (POI Public Dock – Port Canal) for the AGMAC Bulkhead Relocation & Design Project (Public Property) for work accomplished from March 1, 2017 thru March 31, 2017 in accordance with contract dated November 15, 2016; and motion further stipulates that the Payment Request be forwarded to the LA Department of Transportation & Development for review and approval.

This motion having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

Yeas: Gene L. Jefferies, Roy A. Pontiff, Elbridge "Smitty" Smith, III, and Danny J. David, Sr.

Nays: None.

Absent at Voting: Simieon d. Theodile, Mark Dore', and Larry Rader.

And the motion was therefore passed on this the 19th day of April, 2017.

**{3} Discuss/Approve GIS Engineering, LLC Invoice.**

A motion was made by Commissioner Roy A. Pontiff, seconded by Commissioner Danny J. David, Sr., to approve and authorize the payment of Invoice Number 70000396 in the amount of \$22,329.16 to GIS Engineering, LLC for the period March 2017 which includes review and processing of submittals, pay app #3, RFIs, site visits, and resident project representation; in accordance with the contract dated March 1, 2016.

This motion having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

**Yeas:** Gene L. Jefferies, Roy A. Pontiff, Elbridge "Smitty" Smith, III, and Danny J. David, Sr.

**Nays:** None.

**Absent at Voting:** Simieon d. Theodile, Mark Dore', and Larry Rader.

And the motion was therefore passed on this the 19th day of April, 2017.

**(b) Port-Site Bulkhead Relocation Project Phase II B – Private Bulkheads {1, 6, & 7} (Private Property).**

**{1} Update on Contract Award.**

The Port Attorney completed his review of the bid documents and the Contract was awarded on April 11, 2017. They are working with the Contractor to get an executed Contract and will have a pre-construction meeting shortly after where they will issue the Notice to Proceed.

**{2} Discuss/Approve GIS Engineering, LLC Invoice.**

A motion was made by Commissioner Danny J. David, Sr., seconded by Commissioner Elbridge "Smitty" Smith, III, to approve and authorize the payment of Invoice Number 70000392 in the amount of \$14,410.80 to GIS Engineering, LLC for the period March 2017 which includes up to 100% complete for bidding and negotiating including issuance of addenda clarifying the contract documents during the bid process, preparation and attendance of bid opening, and bid evaluations and recommendation; in accordance with the contract dated February 16, 2016 and Amendment #3 dated November 15, 2016.

This motion having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

**Yeas:** Gene L. Jefferies, Roy A. Pontiff, Elbridge "Smitty" Smith, III, and Danny J. David, Sr.

**Nays:** None.

**Absent at Voting:** Simieon d. Theodile, Mark Dore', and Larry Rader.

And the motion was therefore passed on this the 19th day of April, 2017.

**(c) Port-Site Bulkhead Relocation Project Phase II B – Private Bulkheads {11, 13, & 14} (Private Property).**

**{1} Update on Construction of Bulkheads 11, 13, & 14.**

- Power Point Presentation.



Mr. Zack Autin, GIS Engineering, LLC, reported Bulkhead 11 is the last of the three bulkheads to be completed. An Engineer's inspection was done on Thursday, April 6, 2017.

**{2} Discuss/Approve Contractor Pay App No. 10.**

**A motion was made by Commissioner Danny J. David, Sr., and seconded by Commissioner Roy A. Pontiff, to approve and authorize the payment of Contractor Payment Application Number 10 in the amount of \$282,467.78 to Coastal Bridge, LLC. for the Port-Site Bulkhead Relocation Project Phase II B – Private Bulkheads {1, 6, 7, 11, 13, and 14} (Private Property) for the period March 1, 2017 thru March 31, 2017 in accordance with contract dated April 27, 2016; and motion further stipulates that the Payment Request be forwarded to the LA Department of Transportation & Development for review and approval.**

**This motion having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:**

**Yeas: Gene L. Jefferies, Roy A. Pontiff, Elbridge "Smitty" Smith, III, and Danny J. David, Sr.**

**Nays: None.**

**Absent at Voting: Simieon d. Theodile, Mark Dore', and Larry Rader.**

**And the motion was therefore passed on this the 19th day of April, 2017.**

**{3} Update on Private Bulkhead 14 Damages.**

Mr. Zack Autin, GIS Engineering, LLC, reported Ray and himself had a conference call with the tenant of Bulkhead 14, Pat Dauterive with Bayou Companies, on Wednesday, March 29, 2017. They explained the situation to them.

Port Attorney Ray Allain reported after the conference with the tenant, Mr. Rivers Patout called him and they discussed the options they had regarding the bulkhead. He explained to Mr. Rivers Patout that since the bulkhead belonged to Sterling they would be the appropriate person to make the claim and any payment from the person who caused the damage would have to be made to Sterling. Mr. Ray Allain asked Mr. Rivers Patout how he would like to handle it and Mr. Rivers Patout stated he would prefer not to make the repairs until the barge companies' pay. Mr. Ray Allain stated Mr. Zack Autin reported that the damages do not impair the functionality of the bulkhead, It can be used, but the damages to the bulkhead must be made. Executive Director Craig Romero stated he would make the call to the barge companies regarding the damages. The barge companies are Florida Marine and Marquette Transportation. Discussion ensued.

**{4} Discuss/Approve Partial Substantial Completion of Bulkhead 11 (Final Partial).**

**A motion was made by Commissioner Roy A. Pontiff, seconded by Commissioner Elbridge "Smitty" Smith, III, to approve and accept Substantial Completion for Port-Site Bulkhead Relocation Project Phase II B – Private Bulkhead 11 only; in**

accordance with the contract dated April 27, 2016; and motion further acknowledges that the 45-day Clear Lien Period will commence once the Substantial Completion has been recorded with the Iberia Parish Clerk of Court's Office.

This motion having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

Yeas: Gene L. Jefferies, Roy A. Pontiff, Elbridge "Smitty" Smith, III, and Danny J. David, Sr.

Nays: None.

Absent at Voting: Simieon d. Theodile, Mark Dore', and Larry Rader.

And the motion was therefore passed on this the 19th day of April, 2017.

**{5} Discuss/Approve GIS Engineering, LLC Invoice.**

A motion was made by Commissioner Danny J. David, Sr., seconded by Commissioner Roy A. Pontiff, to approve and authorize the payment of Invoice Number 70000393 in the amount of \$20,513.36 to GIS Engineering, LLC for the period March 2017 which includes construction administration and oversight, site visits, partial final acceptance coordination of Bulkhead 14, processing of submittals, and contractor payment applications, and resident project representation; in accordance with the contract dated February 16, 2016 and Amendment #3 dated November 15, 2016.

This motion having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

Yeas: Gene L. Jefferies, Roy A. Pontiff, Elbridge "Smitty" Smith, III, and Danny J. David, Sr.

Nays: None.

Absent at Voting: Simieon d. Theodile, Mark Dore', and Larry Rader.

And the motion was therefore passed on this the 19th day of April, 2017.

**(d) Port-Site Bulkhead Relocation Project Phase II-B (Phase II) – Private Bulkhead 11B (Private Property).**

**{1} Update on Final Design of Bulkhead 11B.**

Mr. Zack Autin, GIS Engineering, LLC, reported that the final design of Bulkhead 11B is 99% complete. Once the Owner approves the location of the mooring piles on the north side they will be ready to submit the final package and go out for bids.

**{2} Discuss/Approve GIS Engineering, LLC Invoice.**

A motion was made by Commissioner Elbridge "Smitty" Smith, III, seconded by Commissioner Danny J. David, Sr., to approve and authorize the payment of Invoice Number 70000394 in the amount of \$20,911.50 to GIS Engineering, LLC for the period March 2017 which includes up to 80% completion of final design; coordination with the owner on the mooring dolphin locations along the northern bank, coordination with utility owners on the relocation of their utilities along the southern bank, and preparation of issues for bid plans, specs, and design report;

in accordance with the contract dated February 16, 2016 and Amendment #3 dated November 15, 2016.

This motion having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

**Yeas:** Gene L. Jefferies, Roy A. Pontiff, Elbridge "Smitty" Smith, III, and Danny J. David, Sr.

**Nays:** None.

**Absent at Voting:** Simieon d. Theodile, Mark Dore', and Larry Rader.

And the motion was therefore passed on this the 19th day of April, 2017.

- (e) **Status of the Louisiana Port Construction & Development Priority Program SPN H.011928 "East & West Yard Expansion & Site Improvements Project (Transfer of Ownership of a Building Located on Tract "A" (28.567 acres) Located on the Port Expansion Phase I Property Site.**

There was no update on the above agenda item.

- (f) **Update on the 2017-2018 Capital Outlay Application.**

Mr. Oneil Malbrough, GIS Engineering, LLC, reported the Capital Outlay report should be out any day now from the Governor's office but it will be a little different this time because the House Chairman of Ways and Means has decided to submit their own draft of House Bill 2 and that has yet to be coming out. This process has never been done before. They will have two bills submitted from the House (the Governor's and the Legislature). Mr. Oneil Malbrough reported he will be on top of the process and keep Executive Director Craig Romero updated. The Port of Iberia has \$5M in Priority 5 that has moved to Priority 2 and added another \$5M in Priority 5. The Port of Iberia requested this and also the LA DOTD has requested the same thing. These request has went into the Governor's bill. As soon as they come out Mr. Oneil Malbrough will get these to us as soon as he can. Commissioner Roy A. Pontiff asked Mr. Oneil Malbrough how does the Chairman of the Committee know that the LA DOTD has submitted the request on our behalf. Mr. Oneil Malbrough stated he is assuming the Chairman has seen the request and has access to that information.

- (g) **AGMAC Project General Engineering and Consulting Services:  
{1} Update on Status of AGMAC Project.**

There was no update on the above agenda item.

- {2} Update on Bulkhead No. 15 (Bigler Properties) Bulkhead Relocation.**

Mr. Zack Autin, GIS Engineering, LLC, reported as requested by the Board, they had sit down meetings with Sharon Balfour with the LA DOTD and Marti Lucore with the USACE to give them an update on all of the bulkheads, where they stand with the budget, and also get the analysis of Bulkhead 15 authorized for reimbursement through

AGMAC. All parties agreed that it is something that needs to be done and that the cost to conduct the engineering analysis and investigation would be a project cost. If this analysis shows that Bulkhead 15 would be unstable after the dredging of the AGMAC channel, then the cost to relocate/replace the Bulkhead would also be a project cost as outlined in the current Feasibility Study. It was discussed and agreed upon by the group that if the bulkhead does need to be relocated/replaced then it would be better to get it completed prior to the completion of the Limited Reevaluation Report.

**{3} Discuss/Approve GIS Engineering, LLC Invoices.**

A motion was made by Commissioner Danny J. David, Sr., seconded by Commissioner Roy A. Pontiff, to approve and authorize the payment of Invoice Number 70000395 in the amount of \$7,202.50 to GIS Engineering, LLC for the period March 2017 for services site visits to Bulkhead 15, coordination with the USACE, Mr. Bigler, and Wayne Labiche on any existing permits, drawings, or designs for the bulkhead, and preparation for the meetings with the LA DOTD and the USACE, in accordance with the contract effective date of January 20, 2016 and Amendment No. 2 dated December 20, 2016.

This motion having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

Yeas: Gene L. Jefferies, Roy A. Pontiff, Elbridge "Smitty" Smith, III, and Danny J. David, Sr.

Nays: None.

Absent at Voting: Simieon d. Theodile, Mark Dore', and Larry Rader.

And the motion was therefore passed on this the 19th day of April, 2017.

**XI. REPORT FROM PORT ATTORNEY ON:**

**(a) AWS Lease Agreement & Collection of Unpaid Rental.**

Port Attorney Ray Allain stated the AWS suit has failed because they have been unable to locate anyone that they could get service on. He asked Executive Director Craig Romero if he had any address that would be able to help them. Mr. Craig Romero stated we would have to call Mr. Henry Gammon.

**(b) Central Gulf Shipyard Lease Agreement & Collection of Unpaid Rental.**

**\*\*\*Status of Filing a Judgement by Default**

Final Long Arm Services obtained on April 4, 2017 and a final Judgement submitted to the court on April 17, 2017. We should have a judgement signed any day now.

**(c) LBC Port Judgement/Collection of Money due the Port of Iberia.**

A Judgement was obtained in 2015, discovery was filed in October of 2016, received on November 1, 2016. There was no response. Kreig Breaux is recommending a motion to compel discovery and/or for Judgement. With the Board's approval Port Attorney Ray Allain will tell him to proceed with that action.

**XII. REPORT FROM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ON:**

- (a) Update on Letter of Intent Between the Port of Iberia District and Goldman Sachs Regarding the Purchase of Approximately 106.72 Acres of Available Property located at 6005 Port Road (former Dynamic Ind. West Yard Site).**

**{1} Executive Director Negotiations with Prospective Tenants Regarding Available Property located at the former Dynamic Industries West Yard; Contingent Upon the Receipt of the Necessary Approvals.**

Executive Director Craig Romero stated he has not heard anything regarding the letter that was sent to Goldman Sachs making an offer.

- (b) Update on Appraisal Report in Summary Format Being Prepared by John A. Foti, MAI, with John A. Foti & Associates on the Following:**

**{1} Henry Bernard Property Located Behind the POI Administrative Office.**

Mr. John Foti is in the process of finalizing his written appraisal of the property.

- (c) Discuss Proposals Regarding Lawn Equipment for Maintenance Purposes.**

A motion was made by Commissioner Roy A. Pontiff, seconded by Commissioner Elbridge "Smitty" Smith, III, to approve and authorize the Executive Director to purchase lawn equipment from Romero's Power Sports, LLC in the amount of \$6,400.00 for a Dixie Chopper 50" 22Hp Magnum 2250R for maintenance purposes.

This motion having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

Yeas: Gene L. Jefferies, Roy A. Pontiff, Elbridge "Smitty" Smith, III, and Danny J. David, Sr.

Nays: None.

Absent at Voting: Simieon d. Theodile, Mark Dore', and Larry Rader.

And the motion was therefore passed on this the 19th day of April, 2017.

- (d) Executive Director's Monthly Report.**

- Congressman Higgins came meet with Executive Director Craig Romero recently regarding the AGMAC project.
- Executive Director Craig Romero spoke to Mr. Oneil Malbrough to put together a White Paper.

- (e) Announcements.**

\*\*\*Reminder: 2016 Tier 2.1 Personal Financial Disclosure Statement Due May 15, 2017.

**XIII. ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION REGARDING PENDING LITIGATION BETWEEN LARRY DOIRON, LLC VS PORT OF IBERIA (Agenda Expanded at Beginning of the Regular Meeting).**

A motion was made by Commissioner Danny David, Sr., seconded by Commissioner Elbridge "Smitty" Smith, III for the Port of Iberia District Board of Commissioners to enter into Executive Session at 7:15 p.m. to discuss pending litigation between Larry Doiron, LLC vs. Port of Iberia.

This motion having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

Yeas: Gene L. Jefferies, Roy A. Pontiff, Elbridge "Smitty" Smith, III, and Danny J. David, Sr.

Nays: None.

Absent at Voting: Simieon d. Theodile, Mark Dore', and Larry Rader.

And the motion was therefore passed on this the 19th day of April, 2017.

A motion was made by Commissioner Roy A. Pontiff, seconded by Commissioner Danny J. David, Sr. for the Port of Iberia District Board of Commissioners to enter back into Regular Session at 7:33 p.m.

This motion having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

Yeas: Gene L. Jefferies, Roy A. Pontiff, Elbridge "Smitty" Smith, III, and Danny J. David, Sr.

Nays: None.

Absent at Voting: Simieon d. Theodile, Mark Dore', and Larry Rader.

And the motion was therefore passed on this the 19th day of April, 2017.

Port Attorney Ray Allain indicated that there was discussion held in Executive Session regarding pending litigation between Larry Doiron, LLC vs. Port of Iberia and there was no action taken.

A motion was made by Commissioner Roy A. Pontiff, seconded by Commissioner Danny J. David, Sr., to approve and authorize that the offices of the Port Attorney (Allain & Allain) and Breazeale, Sachse, & Wilson, LLP (Murphy Foster) to proceed with a defense of a claim if one is filed.

This motion having been submitted to a vote, the vote thereon was as follows:

Yeas: Gene L. Jefferies, Roy A. Pontiff, Elbridge "Smitty" Smith, III, and Danny J. David, Sr.

Nays: None.

Absent at Voting: Simieon d. Theodile, Mark Dore', and Larry Rader.

And the motion was therefore passed on this the 19th day of April, 2017.

IV. ADJOURNMENT.

On a motion made by Commissioner Roy A. Pontiff, and seconded by Commissioner Danny J. David, Sr. the meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.



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