

Minutes of a meeting of the Plaquemines Parish Council, as the Sole Governing Authority of the Plaquemines Port, Harbor & Terminal District, held at the Pointe-a-la-Hache Courthouse Council Chambers, 18055 Highway 15, Pointe-a-la-Hache, Louisiana on Thursday, May 26, 2022, at

1:01 p.m., pursuant to notice to all members with a quorum present as follows:

PRESENT: Commissioner Benedict Rousselle, Chairman

Commissioner Corey Arbourgh
Commissioner Stuart J. Guey
Commissioner Trudy Newberry
Commissioner Carlton M. LaFrance, Sr.
Commissioner Richie Blink
Commissioner Mark Cognevich

Kim M. Toups, Secretary

ABSENT: Commissioner John L. Barthelemy, Jr.
Commissioner W. Beau Black

Sandy Sanders and Chambrel Riley Williams were present representing the Port.

The Prayer was said and the Pledge was recited.

There being no matters under Agenda Item 2, "Executive Session", Commissioner Rousselle moved to Agenda Item 3, "Status Report by the Executive Port Director". Without objection, so ordered. The following topics were addressed by Sandy Sanders:

- The Port met with the Colonel of the Belle Chasse Air Station in regard to introduction of commercial air cargo to the base. The Colonel said the next step is to meet with the First Admiral in charge in Jacksonville;

Commissioner Black joined the meeting at 1:04 p.m.

- There were two stakeholder meetings held this week to finalize the agreement with Mossmen & Weeks relative to their joint venture as EPC for the Container Port. The principals are Mossment Construction, Weeks Marine and Jacobs Engineering;
- Great news was received with Venture Global announcing their final investment disclosure. All parties are celebrating this success;
- Jefferson Parish has taken the lead with the Plaquemines Port providing support in an effort to obtain the Mega Grant for the Greater New Orleans/Jefferson rail alignment. The amount of the grant they are seeking is \$368 million in order to re-route the rail out of Gretna and around the Naval Air Station; and
- Sanders asked for everyone to remember the sacrifices made by the members of the military on this upcoming Memorial Day holiday.

Council Member Rousselle took the opportunity to thank Venture Global and congratulate them on FIC. They are moving the Parish forward in many different ways, as well as, setting the financial future for the Parish. He also asked Sandy Sanders how many applications have been received and to have them sent to the Board. Sanders said, according to Christie Nielsen, there are eight applicants.

Commissioner Rousselle moved to Agenda Item 3a, "Financial Report/Budget to Actual". Without objection, so ordered. Mrs. Williams stated that all Port Commissioners Have been provided with a 2022 Total Budget Report and Detailed Budget Report with actual expenditures as of April 30, 2022. Total Revenue YTD Budgeted is \$26,966,570 with a Current Year total from January 1st to April 30th of \$8,076,536. Total Expenses from January 1st to April 30th is \$3,792,801. Mrs. Williams provide a list of budget subcategories and the percentage of the variance between the YTD Budget amount and the Current Year Total.

There being no matters under Agenda Item 4, "Bids and Advertisements", Commissioner Rousselle advanced to Agenda Item 5, "Introduction of Ordinances and Resolutions". The following legislation was introduced:

1. A Resolution approving and authorizing Benedict Rousselle, Port Chairman, Maynard J. Sanders, Port Executive Director, and Chambrel Riley-Williams, Port Director of Finance, to execute a Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire to Camnetar and Company, CPA's; and otherwise to provide with respect thereto.
COMMISSIONER NEWBERRY

Commissioner Rousselle moved to Agenda Item 6, "Ordinances and Resolutions on second reading and final passage". Without objection, so ordered.

There were no legislation under Agenda Item 6a.

Agenda Item 6b, "A Resolution acknowledging climate change as a threat to both Plaquemines Parish residents and the Parish's economic interests; expressing the Plaquemines Parish Council's intent to take measures to enhance community resilience to hurricanes and storms through the support of coastal restoration and hazard risk mitigation programs; expressing the Plaquemines Parish Council's support and incentivizing the development of solar and wind projects as part of the Parish's broader economic development plans; and otherwise to provide with respect thereto" was deferred.

RESOLUTION NO. 22-139

On motion of Commissioner Rousselle, seconded by Commissioner LaFrance, and on roll call all members present and voting "YES", except Commissioner Barthelemy who was "ABSENT", the following Resolution was adopted:

A Resolution authorizing Maynard J. "Sandy" Sanders, Executive Director of the Plaquemines Port, Harbor & Terminal District, to enter into a professional service agreement for the purposes of engineering and design services with LA DOTD; and otherwise to provide with respect thereto.

WHEREAS, the Plaquemines Port, Harbor & Terminal District has need of certain professional services which benefits Port development; and

WHEREAS, the Plaquemines Port, Harbor and Terminal District seeks to enter into an agreement with LA DOTD to provide engineering and construction services for ferry projects in Plaquemines Parish;

NOW, THEREFORE:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE PLAQUEMINES PARISH COUNCIL AS THE SOLE GOVERNING AUTHORITY OF THE PLAQUEMINES PORT, HARBOR & TERMINAL DISTRICT THAT it hereby authorizes Maynard J. "Sandy" Sanders, Executive Director of the Plaquemines Port, Harbor & Terminal District, to enter into a professional services agreement with LA DOTD to provide engineering and construction services, engineering design, environmental, permitting, preparation of specifications and construction bid packages, and other related services for ferry projects in Plaquemines Parish.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE PLAQUEMINES PARISH COUNCIL AS THE SOLE GOVERNING AUTHORITY OF THE PLAQUEMINES PORT, HARBOR & TERMINAL DISTRICT THAT the Secretary of this Council is hereby authorized and directed to immediately certify and release this Resolution and that Port employees and officials are authorized to carry out the purposes of this Resolution, both without further reading and approval by the Plaquemines Parish Council.

ORDINANCE NO. 22-61

The following Ordinance was offered by Commissioner Rousselle who moved its adoption:

An Ordinance to amend the Plaquemines Port, Harbor & Terminal District's 2022 Revenue & Operating Expenditure Budget; and otherwise to provide with respect thereto.

WHEREAS, the Port was awarded a Fiscal Year 2018 Port Security Grant in the amount of \$36,750 for a Port Security Mobile Trailer; and

WHEREAS, the Port accepted Satellite Shelters bid on May 12, 2022, in the amount of \$62,446, as a result of the Port's Public Bid #22-3; and

WHEREAS, amendments to the 2022 Revenue & Operating Expenditure Budget in the amount of \$25,696 is necessary to complete funding for the Port's Maritime Security Trailer;

NOW, THEREFORE:

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE PLAQUEMINES PARISH COUNCIL AS THE SOLE GOVERNING AUTHORITY OF THE PLAQUEMINES PORT, HARBOR & TERMINAL DISTRICT THAT:

SECTION 1

The Plaquemines Port, Harbor & Terminal District's 2022 Operating Expenditure Budget is amended by appropriating \$25,696 from the Unrestricted Fund Balance as follows:

445 Plaquemines Port, Harbor & Terminal District Fund

496 Port Security Grant Program

2471	PSGP- Security Mobile Trailer	565.845	Equipment- Mobile Trailer	Inc	25,696
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SECTION 2

The Secretary of this Council is hereby authorized and directed to immediately certify and release this Ordinance and that Parish employees and officials are authorized to carry out the purposes of this Ordinance, both without further reading and approval by the Plaquemines Parish Council.

WHEREUPON, in open session the above Ordinance was read and considered section by section and as a whole.

Council Member Newberry seconded the motion to adopt the Ordinance.

The foregoing Ordinance having been submitted to a vote; the vote resulted as follows:

YEAS: Council Members W. Beau Black, Corey Arbourgh, Stuart J. Guey, Benedict Rousselle, Trudy Newberry, Carlton M. LaFrance, Richie Blink and Mark Cognevich

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Council Member John L. Barthelemy, Jr.

PRESENT BUT NOT VOTING: None

And the Ordinance was adopted on this the 27th day of May, 2022.

Commissioner Rousselle moved to Agenda Item 7, "New Business". Without objection, so ordered. There were no items listed under "New Business".

Commissioner Rousselle moved to Agenda Item 8, "Approval of the Minutes". Without objection, so ordered.

RESOLUTION NO. 22-139

On motion of Commissioner Cognevich, seconded by Commissioner Blink and on roll call all members present voting "YES", except Commissioner Barthelemy who was "ABSENT", the following Resolution was adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE PLAQUEMINES PARISH COUNCIL AS THE SOLE GOVERNING AUTHORITY OF THE PLAQUEMINES PORT, HARBOR & TERMINAL DISTRICT THAT it hereby approves the minutes of the May 12, 2022, regular Port Meeting as

recorded by the Secretary of this Council.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED BY THE PLAQUEMINES PARISH COUNCIL AS THE SOLE GOVERNING AUTHORITY OF THE PLAQUEMINES PORT, HARBOR & TERMINAL DISTRICT THAT the Secretary of this Council is hereby authorized and directed to immediately certify and release this Resolution and that Port employees and officials are authorized to carry out the purposes of this Resolution.

There being no further business to come before this Council, on motion Commissioner Cognevich, seconded by Commissioner Blink, and on roll call all members present voting "YES", except Commissioner Barthelemy who was "ABSENT", the meeting adjourned at 1:15 p.m.

Chairman

Secretary

For a full transcript of discussions and presentations a video of this meeting is available for viewing on the Parish website www.plaqueminesparish.com or on YouTube.