



**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE
PORT OF NEW ORLEANS
MINUTES OF
THE BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING
MONDAY, AUGUST 20, 2018**

A MEETING OF THE BUDGET COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE PORT OF NEW ORLEANS, HELD IN THE PRESENTATION ROOM ON THE 4TH FLOOR AT ITS OFFICES LOCATED AT 1350 PORT OF NEW ORLEANS PLACE, NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA, WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN ARNOLD B. BAKER AT 1:37 P.M. ON MONDAY, AUGUST 20, 2018.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

PRESENT:

Arnold B. Baker, Committee Chairman
Tara C. Hernandez, Member
Darryl D. Berger, Member
William H. Langenstein, III, Member
Charles H. Ponstein, Member
Jack C. Jensen, Jr., Member

COMMITTEE MEMBER

ABSENT:

Laney J. Chouest, Member

STAFF:

B. Christian, President and Chief Executive Officer
L. Colletta, Executive Counsel
A. Fant, Vice President, Planning & Facilities
M. Ganon, Vice President, Public Affairs
B. Landry, Vice President, Commercial
R. Wendel, Chief Financial Officer
E. Pansano, Director, Internal Audit
R. Aragon Dolese, Director, Marketing & Communications
L. Blackman, Deputy Director, Tourism
T. Carter, Director, Procurement
C. Coats, Director, Real Estate
A. Evett, Director, Engineering
J. Guidry, Director, Maintenance
M. Verderame, Director, Records
D. Jackson, Manager, Media Relations
H. Fontenot, Paralegal

GUESTS:

D. Campbell, NOPB General Manager
D. Lafont, NOPB Chief Financial Officer
M. Kahn, Morris L. Kahn and Associates
N. Hardie, Alliant
L. Traweek, *City Business*
S. Price, PO, LLC

I. Determination of Quorum and Call to Order

Committee Chairman Baker determined the existence of a quorum and called the meeting to order at 1:37 P.M.

II. Briefing and Discussion Items:

A. Recommend to the Board at its Regular Monthly Meeting the Acceptance of the Consolidated Financial Statements for July, 2018.

Mr. Landry gave a brief cargo report. He stated that July was another good month for containers, with 57,000 TEU's, making it a record. Mr. Landry stated that there was also very strong growth in import TEU's. He stated that breakbulk volume remains low and mentioned that it may rebound by mid-October. Mr. Landry stated that cruise was continuing to do well as expected.

Mr. Wendel briefed the committee on the July, 2018, financial statements. He distributed a report detailing the financial information, a copy of which is made part of these minutes.

Mr. Wendel stated that on the revenue side, July was a good month for the Port. He stated that terminal operations were below budget by 218,000 due to lower dockage due to tariff issues in break bulk. Cruise operations and real estate rentals were above budget for the month. Overall, the Port's Operating Revenues were \$69,000 below budget for July.

Mr. Wendel stated that on the rail side, it was a very good month, coming in at \$325,000 above budget for revenues and that all rail operations continue to be strong.

He stated that the Port was \$1.4 million above budget in maintenance expenses due to dredging that carried over from last fiscal year. Mr. Wendell stated that all other expenses were below budget.

The Port's Operating Income before depreciation was \$1.2 million below budget for July.

Mr. Wendel stated that the New Orleans Public Belt Railroad had another good month and is above budget with \$2.9 million of income. He stated that capital

allocations are a bit higher than expected due to billable road and bridge work. Mr. Wendel stated that the railroad had \$627,000 in operating income before depreciation versus a budget of \$150,000, therefore leaving the railroad almost \$476,000 above budget for the month.

Mr. Wendel stated that on a consolidated basis, the overall revenues from last month are up to \$8.2 million, and just \$257,000 above budget on revenues. Expenses, just under a million dollars on operating income which is \$674,000 below budget for the first month of the fiscal year.

Commissioner Hernandez moved for a motion to recommend acceptance of the July 2018 consolidated financial statements at the Regular Board meeting. Commissioner Langenstein seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

B. Recommend to the Board at its Regular Monthly Meeting a Resolution Confirming to Auditors the Board's Compliance with Applicable Laws and Accounting Principles as Set Out in the Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire.

Mr. Wendel presented and recommended approval of the resolution. He stated that the Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire was a state requirement for annual reporting per the Louisiana Legislative Auditor. Mr. Wendel advised the Board that the independent fiscal auditor for Fiscal Year 2018 is Postlethwaite & Netterville.

Commissioner Berger moved to recommend the resolution for approval at the Regular Board meeting. Commissioner Jensen seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

III. Public Comment

Committee Chairman Baker called for public comment, but there was none.

IV. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the committee, Committee Chairman Baker called for a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Jensen so moved, and Commissioner Ponstein seconded. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.** The meeting was adjourned at 1:53 P.M.



**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE
PORT OF NEW ORLEANS**

**MINUTES OF
THE PLANNING AND ENGINEERING COMMITTEE MEETING
MONDAY, AUGUST 20, 2018**

A MEETING OF THE PLANNING AND ENGINEERING COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE PORT OF NEW ORLEANS, HELD IN THE PRESENTATION ROOM ON THE 4TH FLOOR AT ITS OFFICES LOCATED AT 1350 PORT OF NEW ORLEANS PLACE, NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA, WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN DARRYL D. BERGER AT 1:54 P.M. ON MONDAY, AUGUST 20, 2018.

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS
PRESENT:**

Darryl D. Berger, Committee Chairman
Arnold B. Baker, Member
Tara C. Hernandez, Member
William H. Langenstein, III, Member
Charles H. Ponstein, Member
Jack C. Jensen, Jr., Member

**COMMITTEE MEMBER
ABSENT:**

Laney J. Chouest, Member

STAFF:

B. Christian, President and Chief Executive Officer
L. Colletta, Executive Counsel
A. Fant, Vice President, Planning & Facilities
M. Ganon, Vice President, Public Affairs
B. Landry, Vice President, Commercial
R. Wendel, Chief Financial Officer
E. Pansano, Director, Internal Audit
R. Aragon Dolese, Director, Marketing & Communications
L. Blackman, Deputy Director, Tourism
T. Carter, Director, Procurement
C. Coats, Director, Real Estate
A. Evett, Director, Engineering
J. Guidry, Director, Maintenance
R. Hecker, Chief, Harbor Police Department
M. Verderame, Director, Records
D. Jackson, Manager, Media Relations
H. Fontenot, Paralegal

GUESTS:

D. Campbell, NOPB General Manager
D. Lafont, NOPB Chief Financial Officer
C. Bonura, Director, Industrial Development
M. Kahn, Morris L. Kahn and Associates
N. Hardie, Alliant
L. Traweek, *City Business*
S. Price, PO, LLC

I. Determination of Quorum and Call to Order

Committee Chairman Berger determined the existence of a quorum and called the meeting to order at 1:54 P.M

II. Briefing and Discussion Items:

A. Recommend to the Board at its Regular Monthly Meeting a Resolution Authorizing the President and Chief Executive Officer to Enter into a Professional Services Contract with Boos Navarre, LLC, at a Cost Not to Exceed \$365,000, to Provide Engineering Support and Oversight for the Procurement and Manufacture of Two New Ship-to-Shore Container Handling Gantry Cranes Nos. 10 and 11.

Mr. Evett presented and recommended approval of the resolution. He stated that the cranes will be placed at Napoleon Avenue Container Terminal and responded to questions from Commissioners regarding the crane procurement design and procurement process. He advised that the contract is funded by the Board's Fiscal Year 2019 Capital Investment Plan.

Committee Chairman Berger moved to recommend approval of the resolution at the Regular Board meeting. Commissioner Ponstein seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

B. Recommend to the Board at its Regular Monthly Meeting a Resolution Authorizing the President and Chief Executive Officer to Enter into an Agreement with the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development Under the Louisiana Port Construction and Development Priority Program for Assistance in the Implementation of the Milan Concrete Paving Improvements/Nashville Terminal Conversion to Container and Crane Rail Extension Project.

Mr. Evett presented and recommended approval of the resolution. He stated that the Port had successfully secured \$15 million in Port Priority Grant funds to use toward the extension of the 100-foot crane rail at Nashville Avenue Wharf "C." He advised that the contract is funded by the Board's Operating Budget and Port Priority Grants.

Committee Chairman Berger moved to recommend approval of the resolution at the Regular Board meeting. Commissioner Hernandez seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

C. Recommend to the Board at its Regular Monthly Meeting a Resolution Authorizing the President and Chief Executive Officer to Enter into an Amendment for an Amount Not to Exceed \$500,000 to the Professional Services Contract with AECOM Technical Services, Inc., to Evaluate the Sinclair Site.

Mr. Evett presented and recommended approval of the resolution. He advised that the amendment would allow for studies of mooring and navigation conditions at the Sinclair Site in St. Bernard Parish. The contract is funded by the Board's Capital Improvement Program.

Committee Chairman Berger moved to recommend approval of the resolution at the Regular Board meeting. Commissioner Langenstein seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

D. Recommend to the Board at its Regular Monthly Meeting a Resolution Authorizing the President and Chief Executive Officer to Enter into a Contract with Maintenance Dredging I, LLC for Maintenance Dredging Services at the Napoleon Avenue Container Terminal Approaches for a Period of One (1) Year in the Amount of \$1,625,000 with Two (2) One-Year Options to Renew in the Amount of \$1,657,000 for the Second Year and \$1,690,650 for the Third Year.

Mr. Guidry presented and recommended approval of the resolution. He stated that the contract would allow for as-needed dredging services needed to maintain the 47-foot approaches at the Port's Napoleon Avenue container terminal. The contract is funded by the Fiscal Year 2019 Major Maintenance Expense Budget.

Committee Chairman Berger moved to recommend approval of the resolution at the Regular Board meeting. Commissioner Baker seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

E. Recommend to the Board at its Regular Monthly Meeting a Resolution Awarding a Contract to Bell Lumber & Pole Company in the Amount of \$484,176 for the Purchase of 528 Eighty-Foot Untreated Timber Piles for Use in Maintenance of Board Fender Systems.

Mr. Guidry presented and recommended approval of the resolution. He stated that the timber piles were required for ongoing maintenance of the Board's fendering systems, and he responded to questions from Commissioners regarding the procurement process and type of piles used. The contract is funded by the Fiscal Year 2019 Capital Investment Plan.

Committee Chairman Berger moved to recommend approval of the resolution at the Regular Board meeting. Commissioner Langenstein seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

III. Public Comment

Committee Chairman Berger called for public comment, but there was none.

IV. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the committee, Committee Chairman Berger called for a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Langenstein moved, and Commissioner Ponstein seconded. The **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** and the meeting was adjourned at 2:11 P.M.



**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE
PORT OF NEW ORLEANS
MINUTES OF
THE PROPERTY AND INSURANCE COMMITTEE MEETING
MONDAY, AUGUST 20, 2018**

A MEETING OF THE PROPERTY AND INSURANCE COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE PORT OF NEW ORLEANS, HELD IN THE PRESENTATION ROOM ON THE 4TH FLOOR AT ITS OFFICES LOCATED AT 1350 PORT OF NEW ORLEANS PLACE, NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA, WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY COMMITTEE CHAIRWOMAN TARA C. HERNANDEZ AT 2:12 P.M. ON MONDAY, AUGUST 20, 2018.

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS
PRESENT:**

Tara C. Hernandez, Committee Chairwoman
Arnold B. Baker, Member
Darryl D. Berger, Member
William H. Langenstein, III, Member
Charles H. Ponstein, Member
Jack C. Jensen, Jr., Member

**COMMITTEE MEMBER
ABSENT:**

Laney J. Chouest, Member

STAFF:

B. Christian, President and Chief Executive Officer
L. Colletta, Executive Counsel
A. Fant, Vice President, Planning & Facilities
M. Ganon, Vice President, Public Affairs
B. Landry, Vice President, Commercial
E. Pansano, Director, Internal Audit
R. Wendel, Chief Financial Officer
R. Aragon Dolese, Director, Marketing & Communications
L. Blackman, Deputy Director, Tourism
T. Carter, Director, Procurement
C. Coats, Director, Real Estate
A. Evett, Director, Engineering
J. Guidry, Director, Maintenance
M. Verderame, Director, Records
D. Jackson, Manager, Media Relations
H. Fontenot, Paralegal

GUESTS:

D. Campbell, NOPB General Manager
N. Hardie, Alliant
L. Traweek, *City Business*
S. Price, PO, LLC
M. Kahn, Morris L. Kahn and Associates

I. Determination of Quorum and Call to Order

Committee Chairwoman Hernandez determined the existence of a quorum and called the meeting to order at 2:12 P.M

II. Briefing and Discussion Items:

A. Briefing on the Assignment of ACBL Transportation Services, LLC's Lease at Odeon Street to Turn Services, LLC.

Mr. Crist briefed the committee on the current lease of ACBL Transportation Services, LLC, and stated proposed changes that would assign the lease at Odeon Street to Turn Services, LLC. He stated that the lease will be a ten year term at an annual rental rate of \$74,868. He mentioned that there will be one, five-year option period along with adjustments.

B. Briefing on Revisions to the Board's FMC Tariff, T-No. 2, to Update Document Layout and Remove Outdated Items.

Mr. Crist briefed the committee on formatting revisions to the Board's FMC Tariff, T-No. 2. He advised that the revisions, which are anticipated to go into effect in November, will remove cargo-based items that are no longer applicable. He mentioned that the revisions include grammatical edits, implementation of a section numbering framework, and the addition of an index. Mr. Crist stated that there will be additional upcoming Board action to approve the revisions, and that final revisions will also incorporate tariff rate adjustments.

C. Recommend to the Board at its Regular Monthly Meeting a Resolution Authorizing the President and Chief Executive Officer to Enter into a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the New Orleans Public Belt Railroad Corporation ("Railroad") that Authorizes the Board of Commissioners of the Port of New Orleans ("Port") to Render Non-Rail Carrier Operations Support and Services and Address the Transfer of the Railroad's Non-Operating Assets to the Port for Asset Management.

Mr. Wendel presented and recommended approval of the resolution. He stated that the Port will provide the Railroad with managerial and administrative support in partial consideration of the Railroad's transfer of non-operating real estate to the Port. He advised on the major objectives and mutual benefits of the agreement, including the ability to consolidate strategic planning efforts between agencies. Mr. Wendel stated that the agreement will be effective as of August 1, 2018.

Committee Chairwoman Hernandez moved to recommend the resolution for approval at the Regular Board meeting. Commissioner Baker seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

III. Public Comment

Committee Chairwoman Hernandez called for public comment, but there was none.

IV. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the committee, Committee Chairwoman Hernandez called for a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Langenstein moved, and Commissioner Baker seconded. The **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** and the meeting was adjourned at 2:40 P.M.



**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE
PORT OF NEW ORLEANS
MINUTES OF
THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
THURSDAY, AUGUST 23, 2018**

A MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE PORT OF NEW ORLEANS, HELD IN THE PRESENTATION ROOM ON THE 4TH FLOOR AT ITS OFFICES LOCATED AT 1350 PORT OF NEW ORLEANS PLACE, NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA, WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN LANEY J. CHOUEST AT 9:40 A.M. ON THURSDAY, AUGUST 23, 2018.

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS
PRESENT:**

Laney J. Chouest, Committee Chairman
Arnold B. Baker, Member
Tara C. Hernandez, Member
William H. Langenstein, III, Member
Charles H. Ponstein, Member

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS
ABSENT:**

Darryl D. Berger, Member
Jack C. Jensen, Jr., Member

STAFF:

B. Christian, President and Chief Executive Officer
L. Colletta, Executive Counsel
A. Fant, Vice President, Planning & Facilities
M. Ganon, Vice President, Public Affairs
B. Landry, Vice President, Commercial
E. Pansano, Director, Internal Audit
R. Wendel, Chief Financial Officer
R. Aragon Dolese, Director, Marketing & Communications
M. Verderame, Director, Records
J. Schecter, Manager, Marketing & Communications
H. Fontenot, Paralegal

GUESTS:

A.von Dobeneck, NOPB Director of External Affairs

I. Determination of Quorum and Call to Order

Committee Chairman Chouest determined the existence of a quorum and called the meeting to order at 9:40 A.M.

II. Executive Session

At 9:41 A.M., a motion was made by Committee Chairman Chouest, and seconded by Commissioner Langenstein, for the Board to enter into a closed Executive Session. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** and the Board entered into Executive Session at 9:42 A.M. to discuss:

Daniel Berger v. Board of Commissioners of the Port of New Orleans, Civil District Court Docket No. 2013-01679, Division “C”.

At 9:53 A.M., a motion was made by Commissioner Ponstein to end the closed Executive Session and return to the open meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Baker, **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**, and the Executive Session ended at that time.

III. Briefing and Discussion Items:

A. Recommend to the Board at its Regular Monthly Meeting a Resolution Authorizing the President and Chief Executive Officer to Enter into a Settlement Agreement with Daniel Berger, in the Matter of *Daniel Berger v. Board of Commissioners of the Port of New Orleans, Civil District Court Docket No. 2013-01679, Division “C”.*

Mr. Colletta presented and recommended approval of the resolution. Committee Chairman Chouest moved to recommend the resolution for approval at the Regular Board meeting. Commissioner Baker seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

B. Presentation of PORTNOLA Website

Ms. Dolese presented the new PORTNOLA branding campaign, including the introduction to the new website, www.portnola.com. Ms. Schecter provided an overview of the new website and responded to questions and suggestions from Commissioners.

IV. Chairman’s Comments

Committee Chairman Chouest had no comment.

V. President and Chief Executive Officer’s Comments

Ms. Christian deferred her comments until the Regular Board meeting.

VI. Public Comment

Committee Chairman Chouest called for public comment, and there was none.

VII. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the committee, Committee Chairman Chouest called for a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Langenstein moved, and Commissioner Ponstein seconded. The **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** and the meeting was adjourned at 10:50 A.M.



**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE
PORT OF NEW ORLEANS
MINUTES OF
THE REGULAR MEETING
THURSDAY, AUGUST 23, 2018**

A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE PORT OF NEW ORLEANS, HELD IN THE 1ST FLOOR AUDITORIUM AT ITS OFFICES LOCATED AT 1350 PORT OF NEW ORLEANS PLACE, NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA, WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY LANEY J. CHOUEST, AT 11:20 A.M. ON THURSDAY, AUGUST 23, 2018.

COMMISSIONERS

PRESENT:

Laney J. Chouest, Chairman
Arnold B. Baker, Vice-Chairman
Tara C. Hernandez, Secretary-Treasurer
Darryl D. Berger, Member
William H. Langenstein, III, Member
Charles H. Ponstein, Member
Jack C. Jensen, Jr., Member

STAFF:

B. Christian, President and Chief Executive Officer
L. Colletta, Executive Counsel
A. Fant, Vice President, Planning & Facilities
M. Ganon, Vice President, Public Affairs
B. Landry, Vice President, Commercial
E. Pansano, Director, Internal Audit
R. Wendel, Chief Financial Officer
R. Aragon Dolese, Director, Marketing & Communications
L. Blackman, Director, Real Estate & Cruise Projects
A. Evett, Director, Engineering
J. Guidry, Director, Maintenance
R. Hecker, Chief, Harbor Police Department
B. Gussoni, Special Counsel
B. Nalley, Staff Attorney
J. Haralson, Manager, Community Relations
M. Verderame, Director, Records
H. Fontenot, Paralegal
J. Schecter, Communications
W. Stokes, Administrative Assistant
D. Feraci, Administrative Assistant

GUESTS:

D. Campbell, NOPB General Manager
C. Bonura, NOPB Director of Industrial Development
A. Von Dobeneck, NOPB Director of External Affairs
K. Price, New Orleans Terminal
L. Lazard, African American Heritage
M. Munoz, Turn Services
M. Kahn, Kahn
M. Bernstein, Citi
B. Hall, GEC
G. Smith, MDL
N. Harde, Alliant
A. Cabrera, Patriot Rail

I. Determination of Quorum and Call to Order

Chairman Chouest determined the existence of a quorum and called the meeting to order at 11:20 A.M.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman Chouest asked Commissioner Ponstein to lead the Board and the audience in saying the Pledge of Allegiance, and he did so.

III. General Public Comment

Mr. Lloyd Lazard addressed the Board and presented his public comment regarding a letter that he received from the United States Coast Guard.

IV. Approval of July, 2018 Public Meeting Minutes

On motion duly made by Chairman Chouest and seconded by Commissioner Jensen, the Board unanimously approved the minutes of its public meetings of July, 2018, as previously circulated.

V. Acceptance of Consolidated Financial Statement for July, 2018

On motion duly made by Chairman Chouest and seconded by Commissioner Langenstein, the Board unanimously accepted the July, 2018, consolidated financial statement, as previously circulated.

VI. Actions Required:

A. Consider Approval of a Resolution Confirming to Auditors the Board's Compliance with Applicable Laws and Accounting Principles as Set Out in the Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire.

Mr. Wendel presented and recommended approval of the resolution. He stated that the Board's independent financial audit for Fiscal Year 2018 will be conducted by Postlethwaite & Netterville, and that the Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire satisfies state requirements for the presentation of the financial audit.

Chairman Chouest advised the Board that the Budget Committee had reviewed the resolution with staff and voted to recommend it for approval at this meeting. He then moved for its approval. Commissioner Langenstein seconded. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

B. Consider Approval of a Resolution Authorizing the President and Chief Executive Officer to Enter into a Professional Services Contract with Boos Navarre, LLC, at a Cost Not to Exceed \$365,000, to Provide Engineering Support and Oversight for the Procurement and Manufacture of Two New Ship-to-Shore Container Handling Gantry Cranes Nos. 10 and 11.

Mr. Evett presented and recommended approval of the resolution. He explained that Boos Navarre, LLC will provide engineering support and oversight during the procurement and manufacturing phases of gantry cranes intended for use at the Board's Napoleon Avenue Container Terminal. Mr. Evett stated that the contract is funded in the Fiscal Year 2019 Capital Equipment Budget.

Chairman Chouest advised the Board that the Planning and Engineering Committee had reviewed the resolution with staff and voted to recommend it for approval at this meeting. He then moved for its approval. Commissioner Hernandez seconded. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

C. Consider Approval of a Resolution Authorizing the President and Chief Executive Officer to Enter into an Agreement with the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development Under the Louisiana Port Construction and Development Priority Program for Assistance in the Implementation of the Milan Concrete Paving Improvements/Nashville Terminal Conversion to Container and Crane Rail Extension Project.

Mr. Evett presented and recommended approval of the resolution. He provided to the Board the terms of the agreement with the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development under the Louisiana Port Construction and Development Priority Program. Mr. Evett stated that the contract is funded by the Board's Operating Budget and Port Priority Grants.

Chairman Chouest advised the Board that the Planning and Engineering Committee had reviewed the resolution with staff and voted to recommend it for approval at this meeting. He then moved for its approval. Commissioner Langenstein seconded. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

- D. Consider Approval of a Resolution Authorizing the President and Chief Executive Officer to Enter into an Amendment for an Amount Not to Exceed \$500,000 to the Professional Services Contract with AECOM Technical Services, Inc., to Evaluate the Sinclair Site.**

Mr. Evett presented and recommended approval of the resolution. He explained that the amendment will allow for additional investigative studies of the Sinclair Site in St. Bernard Parish as a potential container and logistics terminal. Mr. Evett stated that contract is funded by the Board's Capital Improvement Program.

Chairman Chouest advised the Board that the Planning and Engineering Committee had reviewed the resolution with staff and voted to recommend it for approval at this meeting. Commissioner Ponstein moved for the resolution's approval and Commissioner Baker seconded. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

- E. Consider Approval of a Resolution Authorizing the President and Chief Executive Officer to Enter into a Contract with Maintenance Dredging 1, LLC, for Maintenance Dredging Services at the Napoleon Avenue Container Terminal Approaches for a Period of One (1) Year in the Amount of \$1,625,000 with Two (2) One-Year Options to Renew in the Amount of \$1,657,000 for the Second Year and \$1,690,650 for the Third Year.**

Mr. Guidry presented and recommended approval of the resolution. He stated that the contract will provide maintenance dredging services to maintain the required 47-foot approaches at the Napoleon Avenue container terminal. Mr. Guidry stated that contract is funded by the Fiscal Year 2019 Major Maintenance Expense Budget.

Chairman Chouest advised the Board that the Planning and Engineering Committee had reviewed the resolution with staff and voted to recommend it for approval at this meeting. He then moved for its approval. Commissioner Hernandez seconded. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

- F. Consider Approval of a Resolution Authorizing the President and Chief Executive Officer to Award a Contract to Bell Lumber & Pole Company in the Amount of \$484,176 for the Purchase of 528 Eighty-Foot Untreated timber Piles for Use in Maintenance of Board Fender Systems.**

Mr. Guidry presented and recommended approval of the resolution. He stated that the materials were required to perform maintenance on the Board's fendering

systems. Mr. Guidry stated that contract is funded by the Fiscal Year 2019 Capital Investment Plan.

Chairman Chouest advised the Board that the Planning and Engineering Committee had reviewed the resolution with staff and voted to recommend it for approval at this meeting. He then moved for its approval. Commissioner Berger seconded. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

- G. Consider Approval of a Resolution Authorizing the President and Chief Executive Officer to Enter into a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the New Orleans Public Belt Railroad Corporation (Railroad”) that Authorizes the Board of Commissioners of the Port of New Orleans (“Port”) to Render Non-Rail Carrier Operations Support and Services and Address the Transfer of the Railroad’s Non-Operating Assets to the Port for Asset Management.**

Mr. Wendel presented and recommended approval of the resolution. He highlighted the major objectives and benefits of the agreement, as well as goals to consolidated and streamline resources to achieve mutually beneficial results for both agencies.

Chairman Chouest advised the Board that the Property and Insurance Committee had reviewed the resolution with staff and voted to recommend it for approval at this meeting. He then moved for its approval. Commissioner Jensen seconded. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

- H. Consider Approval of a Resolution Authorizing the President and Chief Executive Officer to Enter into a Settlement Agreement with Daniel Berger, in the Matter of *Daniel Berger v. Board of Commissioners of the Port of New Orleans, Civil District Court Docket No. 2013-01679, Division “C”.***

Mr. Colletta presented and recommended approval of the resolution. Chairman Chouest advised the Board that the Executive Committee had reviewed the resolution with staff and voted to recommend it for approval at this meeting. He then moved for its approval. Commissioner Baker seconded. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

VII. Commissioner’ Comments

Chairman Chouest called for Commissioners’ comments, but there were none.

VIII. Report by the President and Chief Executive Officer

Ms. Christian reported that the Port set a new record for the month with more than 57,000 TEU’s. She stated that imports increased 17% for the month and that exports grew by 20%.

Ms. Christian recognized and welcomed Turn Services of New Orleans, Louisiana.

Ms. Christian announced that the Port was awarded a \$2.5 million grant by the U.S. Department of Transportation's Maritime Administration (MARAD) to support the current container on barge shuttle service. The service is operated by SEACOR AMH between New Orleans, Baton Rouge and Memphis, and the grant funding will assist in launching a new container on barge shuttle service on the Inner Harbor Navigation Canal (IHNC).

Ms. Christian announced the new Port NOLA website has launched, and congratulated the Port's Communications team on their hard work on the project.

IX. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, Chairman Chouest called for a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Baker moved, and Commissioner Jensen seconded. The **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** and the meeting was adjourned at 11:47 A.M.