

**THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE PORT OF NEW ORLEANS  
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2022**

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**A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE PORT OF NEW ORLEANS, HELD IN THE FIRST FLOOR AUDITORIUM AT ITS OFFICES LOCATED AT 1350 PORT OF NEW ORLEANS PLACE, NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA, WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY CHAIRMAN JACK C. JENSEN, JR. AT 1:31PM.**

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**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Jack. C. Jensen, Jr. Chairman  
Joseph F. Toomy, Vice-Chairman  
Walter J. Leger, Jr., Secretary-Treasurer  
William H. Langenstein, III, Member  
James J. Carter, Jr., Member  
Sharonda. R. Williams, Member

**MEMBER ABSENT:** Charles H. Ponstein, Member

**STAFF:** B. Christian, President & Chief Executive Officer  
R. Wendel, Chief Financial Officer  
J. Escudier, Executive Counsel  
L. Mellem, Chief of Staff  
G. Brown, Chief of People & Culture  
M. Stolzman, Chief Operating Officer  
A. Evett, Chief of Infrastructure  
C. Gilmore, Director Engineering  
C. Coats, General Manager, Maritime & Asset Management  
J. Mansour, General Manager, Business Development  
R. Aragon Dolese, Director, Marketing & Communications  
C. Labat, Director, Procurement  
M. Scelson, General Counsel  
G. Palermo, Deputy General Counsel  
A. Randolph, Manager, Communications & Community Engagement  
K. Mills, Manager, Communications & Community Engagement  
K. Curth, Press Secretary  
J. Bruner, Manager, Cruise  
M. Naquin, Manager, Real Estate  
M. Sulser, Manager, Engineering  
C. Gibson, Manager, Business Development  
A. Taylor, Manager, Procurement  
M. Singley, Board Secretariat  
J. Fields, Executive Assistant, Communications  
A. Johnson, Executive Assistant

**GUESTS:** T. Bryant, NOPB  
C. Kocur, NOPB  
I. McPherson, NOPB  
T. Banks, NOPB  
A. Ferrand-Rodgers, NOPB  
H. Picard, III, Burk-Kleinpeter, Inc.  
W. Evans, GIS  
A. Herbert, Infinity Engineering  
R. Mestayer, Lanier & Associates  
J. Rutherford, Lanier & Associates  
C. Hammond, ILA

**I. Roll Call & Determination of Quorum**

Following a roll call of Board members, Chairman Jensen confirmed a quorum and called the meeting to order at 1:31 p.m.

**II. Pledge of Allegiance**

Chairman Jensen asked Commissioner Leger to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

**III. Report by the President and Chief Executive Officer**

Ms. Christian first provided an update on the impacts of the weather events of December 14<sup>th</sup>. Afterwards, she gave an overview of the November volumes. She also reported on the official announcement by the Governor that two of the Board's partners, Ports America and Terminal Investment Limited (TiL), will invest over \$800 million into the Louisiana International Terminal project. She concluded her presentation by congratulating Ms. Madere, recipient of the Board's Innovation Award, and wishing everyone a happy and safe holiday season.

Chairman Jensen relayed some enthusiastic comments from customers regarding the new downriver terminal project and the addition of four new cranes at the Napoleon Avenue terminal.

**IV. Public Comment**

Chairman Jensen asked for any agenda-related or general public comments, but there were none.

**V. Approval of Meeting Minutes for November 2022**

Chairman Jensen called for a motion to approve the public meeting minutes for November 2022, as previously circulated.

Commissioner Toomy moved to accept the minutes and Commissioner Williams seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**VI. Action Items:**

**A. Acceptance of the Consolidated Financial Statements for November 2022**

Mr. Wendel presented the consolidated financial statements for the month of November, a copy of which is made a part of these minutes. Following a brief discussion, Commissioner Carter moved to accept the consolidated financial statements and Commissioner Leger seconded. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**B. Consider Approval of a Resolution Authorizing the President and Chief Executive Officer to Amend the Agreement with JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., for the Series 2021A \$30 Million Taxable Subordinate Lien Revenue Notes, to Change the Interest Rate Basis from London Interbank Offered Rate (LIBOR) to a Securitized Overnight Financing Rate (SOFR); to Obtain an Option to Extend the Maturity to March 1, 2025; and to Take All Necessary Actions with Respect to the Amendments.**

Mr. Wendel presented and recommended approval of the resolution. Following a brief discussion, including questions from Vice-Chairman Toomy regarding all possible sources of financing, Commissioner Langenstein moved to approve the resolution and Commissioner Toomy seconded. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**C. Consider Approval of a Resolution Authorizing the President and Chief Executive Officer to Enter into a Contract with Burk-Kleinpeter, Inc., to Provide Professional Services for Louisiana Ave., Harmony St., and Seventh St. Wharf Substructure Repairs, for a Period of Three Years, with Two One-Year Renewal Options, in an Amount Not to Exceed \$2,000,000 for the Full Contract Term.**

Mr. Gilmore presented and recommended approval of the resolution. Following a brief discussion, including requests from Commissioners Jensen, Langenstein and Toomy for clarifications on the scope and amount of the contract, Commissioner Toomy moved to approve the resolution and Commissioner Williams seconded. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**D. Consider Approval of a Resolution Awarding a Contract to Roofing Solutions, L.L.C., in the Amount of \$981,000, for the 400 Edwards Avenue Roof Replacements Units A, C, & D Project.**

Mr. Gilmore presented and recommended approval of the resolution. Following a brief discussion, including a question from Chairman Jensen on the market value of the building, Commissioner Leger moved to approve the resolution and Commissioner Langenstein seconded. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**E. Consider Approval of a Resolution Authorizing the President and Chief Executive Officer to Enter into a Contract with Resource Environmental Solutions, LLC, to**

**Provide Mitigation Bank Credits for Phase II Geotechnical Field Investigations for the Louisiana International Terminal Project, for a Period of Two Years, in an Amount Not to Exceed \$185,000 for the Full Contract Term.**

Mr. Gilmore presented and recommended approval of the resolution. Following a brief discussion, including questions from Commissioners Leger and Toomy on the exact location affected by the mitigation and from Chairman Jensen on the cost of the process, Commissioner Carter moved to approve the resolution and Commissioner Toomy seconded. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**F. Consider Approval of a Resolution Authorizing the President and Chief Executive Officer to Enter into an Amendment, in an Amount Not to Exceed \$250,000, to the Contract with Boos Navarre, LLC, 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. Gilmore presented and recommended approval of the resolution. Following a brief discussion, including questions from Commissioners Jensen, Leger, Langenstein and Toomy on the projected completion of the project, the causes of the delays, the cost estimation, and the scope of services added with each amendment, Commissioner Leger moved to approve the resolution and Commissioner Toomy seconded. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

**VII. Chairman and Commissioners' Comments**

Chairman Jensen opened the floor for Commissioners' comments. Commissioners Langenstein, Leger and Jensen commented on the Governor's recent announcement of two major partnership investments to build the new Louisiana International Terminal project.

**VIII. Adjournment**

There being no further business to come before the Board, Chairman Jensen called for a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Carter so moved and Commissioner Leger seconded. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** and Chairman Jensen adjourned the meeting at 2:16 p.m.