

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
PORT OF NEW ORLEANS
MINUTES OF
THE BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING
MONDAY, JUNE 19, 2017**

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 AT 1350 PORT OF NEW ORLEANS PLACE, NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA, WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN ROBERT R. BARKERDING, JR., AT 1:32 P.M. ON MONDAY, JUNE 19, 2017.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

PRESENT:

Robert R. Barkerding, Jr., Committee Chairman
William T. Bergeron, Member
Laney J. Chouest, Member
Arnold B. Baker, Member
Tara C. Hernandez, Member
Darryl D. Berger, Member

COMMITTEE MEMBER

ABSENT:

Michael W. Kearney, Member

STAFF:

B. Christian, President and Chief Executive Officer
A. Fant, Vice President, Planning & Facilities
M. Ganon, Vice President, Public Affairs
B. Gussoni, Executive Counsel
B. Landry, Vice President, Commercial
E. Pansano, Director, Internal Audit
R. Wendel, Chief Financial Officer
T. Carter, Director, Procurement
R. Aragon Dolese, Director, Communications/Media
J. Guidry, Director, Maintenance
M. Gresham, Director, External Affairs
L. Jackson, Director, Engineering
D. Jackson, Media Relations Manager
W. Stokes, Administrative Assistant
H. Fontenot, Paralegal
J. Crist, General Operations

GUESTS:

L. Traweek, *City Business*
S. Touns, Government Consultants
J. Miller, Design Engineering, Inc.

A. Determination of Quorum and Call to Order

Committee Chairman Barkerding determined the existence of a quorum and called the meeting to order at 1:32 P.M.

B. Public Comment

Committee Chairman Barkerding deferred any public comment until after the presentations.

C. Briefing and Discussion Items

1. Briefing on and Discussion of a Resolution Declaring the Official Journal of the Board for Fiscal Year 2018.

Committee Chairman Barkerding announced this item was taken out of order on the agenda so Mr. Wendel could present all of his items sequentially.

Mr. Gussoni briefed the committee on a resolution declaring the official journal of the Board for Fiscal Year 2018. He stated that the law requires the Board to declare an official journal in June of every year. Mr. Gussoni commented that we use a bidding process because of having more than one newspaper qualified to serve as the official journal. He stated that the Times Picayune is the Board's current official journal and that this year it was the lower of the two bids which the staff received as a result of its bid process. Mr. Gussoni recommended that the Times Picayune remain the Board's official journal because of its lower price.

After discussion, the committee indicated it would refer this matter favorably to the Board at its next regularly scheduled meeting.

2. Review of May, 2017, Financial Statement

Mr. Landry gave a brief report on cargo and stated that container numbers were strong for May and finished with 500,000 TEU's for the first half of the year. He stated that breakbulk has a strong year going, and he expects it to continue. Mr. Landry commented that all of the terminal operators handling breakbulk cargo are full and have been utilizing some of the Port's extra wharves.

Mr. Wendel briefed the committee on the May, 2017, financial statement. He distributed a report detailing the financial information, a copy of which is made part of these minutes. He stated that on the revenue side, terminal operations were above budget by \$39,000 for the month and above budget for the year by \$364,000. Mr. Wendel commented that cruise had another strong month and real estate is expected to exceed \$6 million in revenue this year.

On the expense side, Mr. Wendel stated that we continue to be under budget. He reviewed variances that remain significantly under budget such as payroll and benefits. He stated that for the month we came in at \$337,000 below budget in operating expenses, which puts us at \$3 million below budget for the year in operating expenses. Operating income for the year is \$20.8 million as compared to the budget of \$15.6 million, and \$4.9 million above budget for the year.

Comparing results to last year actual, Mr. Wendel stated that terminal operations had revenues of \$59.5 million this year, and last year revenues were \$55.9 million. The Port has had another growth year in terminal operations at \$3.6 million above last year's revenues.

3. Briefing on and Discussion of a Resolution Approving the Board of Commissioners of the Port of New Orleans Financial and Operating Plan for Fiscal Year 2018.

Mr. Wendel briefed the committee on a resolution approving the Board of Commissioners of the Port of New Orleans' financial and operating plan for Fiscal Year 2018. He discussed the revenues, which included terminal, cruise, and real estate operations, and he also discussed expenses, which included labor, benefits, and expenditures. Mr. Wendel then reviewed operating revenue, preliminary operating income statements and cash flow.

Mr. Wendel stated that he added the Harbor Police Department share of the Port Security Grant of \$44,000 to capital equipment. He discussed the Fiscal Year 2018 Capital Investment Program and the covenant calculations.

After discussion, the committee indicated it would refer this matter favorably to the Board at its next regularly scheduled meeting.

4. Briefing on and Discussion of a Resolution Giving Preliminary Approval of the Issuance of Not Exceeding \$50,000,000 of Board of Commissioners of the Port of New Orleans Port Facility Revenue Bonds in One or More Series; Declaring the Board's Intention to Reimburse Itself for Capital Improvement Costs Out of the Proceeds of the Port Facility Revenue Bonds; Making Application to the State Bond Commission for Approval of Said Port Connection with the Issuance of the Port Facility Revenue Bonds; and Providing for the Appointment of Foley & Judell, L.L.P., as Special Bond Counsel in Connection with the Issuance of the Port Facility Revenue Bonds.

Mr. Wendel briefed the committee on a resolution giving preliminary approval of the issuance of not exceeding \$50,000,000 of Board of Commissioner of the Port of New Orleans Port Facility Revenue Bonds in one or more series. He stated that this inducement language is required to allow the Board to reimburse itself from bond proceeds for up to \$25 million of capital spending from the inducement date to the issue date of the bonds.

After discussion, the committee indicated it would refer this matter favorably to the Board at its next regularly scheduled meeting.

5. Briefing on and Discussion of a Resolution Authorizing the President and Chief Executive Officer to Replace the Letter of Credit of First National Bank of Commerce with a Letter of Credit of JPMorgan Chase as Support for the Board's Subordinate Lien Variable Rate Refunding Revenue Bonds, Series 2010.

Mr. Wendel briefed the committee on a resolution authorizing the President and Chief Executive Officer to replace the letter of credit of First National Bank of Commerce with a letter of credit of JPMorgan Chase as support for the Board's Subordinate Lien Variable Rate Refunding Revenue Bonds, Series 2010. He stated that the selection of JPMorgan Chase is at a rate of 1.47% and that the first year savings will pay the cost of issuance.

After discussion, the committee indicated it would refer this matter favorably to the Board at its next regularly scheduled meeting.

D. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the committee, Committee Chairman Barkerding adjourned the meeting at 2:11 P.M.

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
PORT OF NEW ORLEANS
MINUTES OF
THE PLANNING AND ENGINEERING
COMMITTEE MEETING
MONDAY, JUNE 19, 2017**

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 AT 1350 PORT OF NEW ORLEANS PLACE, NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA, WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN ARNOLD B. BAKER AT 2:12 P.M. ON MONDAY, JUNE 19, 2017.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

PRESENT:

Arnold B. Baker, Committee Chairman
William T. Bergeron, Member
Robert R. Barkerding, Jr., Member
Laney J. Chouest, Member
Tara C. Hernandez, Member
Darryl D. Berger, Member

COMMITTEE MEMBER

ABSENT:

Michael W. Kearney, Member

STAFF:

B. Christian, President and Chief Executive Officer
A. Fant, Vice President, Planning & Facilities
M. Ganon, Vice President, Public Affairs
B. Gussoni, Executive Counsel
B. Landry, Vice President, Commercial
E. Pansano, Director, Internal Audit
R. Wendel, Chief Financial Officer
T. Carter, Director, Procurement
J. Guidry, Director, Maintenance
M. Gresham, Director, External Affairs
L. Jackson, Director, Engineering
D. Jackson, Manager, Media Relations
W. Stokes, Administrative Assistant
H. Fontenot, Paralegal
J. Crist, General Operations

GUESTS:

L. Traweek, *City Business*
S. Toups, Government Consultants
J. Miller, Design Engineering, Inc.

A. Determination of Quorum and Call to Order

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

B. Public Comment

Committee Chairman Baker deferred any public comment until after the presentations.

C. Briefing and Discussion Items

1. Briefing on and Discussion of a Resolution Awarding a Contract in the Amount of \$4,913,588 to Coastal Marine Contractors, LLC, for Substructure Repairs at the Alabo Street Terminal.

Mr. L. Jackson briefed the committee on a resolution awarding a contract in the amount of \$4,913,588 to Coastal Marine Contractors, LLC, of Slidell, Louisiana, the lowest of three responsive bidders, for all labor, materials, and equipment required for wharf substructure pile inspection and repairs at the Alabo Street Terminal on the east bank of the Mississippi River. The contract is funded by the Board's Fiscal Year 2017 Capital Improvement Program.

After discussion, the committee indicated it would refer this matter favorably to the Board at its next regularly scheduled meeting.

2. Briefing on and Discussion of a Resolution Awarding a Contract in the Amount of \$19,641,090 to Cycle Marine Group, Inc., for Substructure Repairs at Nashville Avenue Wharf "A".

Mr. L. Jackson briefed the committee on a resolution awarding a contract in the amount of \$19,641,090 to Cycle Marine Group, Inc., of Kenner, Louisiana, the lowest of three responsive bidders, for all labor, materials, and equipment required for wharf substructure repairs at the Nashville Avenue Wharf "A" on the east bank of the Mississippi River. The contract is funded by the Board's Fiscal Year 2017 Capital Improvement Program.

After discussion, the committee indicated it would refer this matter favorably to the Board at its next regularly scheduled meeting.

3. Briefing on and Discussion 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 Linfield, Hunter & Junius, Inc., to Provide As-Needed Civil Engineering Services.

Mr. L. Jackson briefed the committee on 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 Linfield, Hunter & Junius, Inc., for as-needed civil engineering services. The intention is to use the funds

predominantly for services to investigate and rehabilitate wharf substructures. The contract is funded by the Board's Fiscal Year 2017 Capital Improvement Program.

After discussion, the committee indicated it would refer this matter favorably to the Board at its next regularly scheduled meeting.

4. Briefing on and Discussion of a Resolution Authorizing the President and Chief Executive Officer to Enter into an Amendment for an Amount Not to Exceed \$400,000 to the Professional Services Contract with Burk Kleinpeter, Inc., to Provide As-Needed Civil Engineering Services.

Mr. L. Jackson briefed the committee on a resolution authorizing the President and Chief Executive Officer to enter into an amendment for an amount not to exceed \$400,000 to the professional services contract with Burk Kleinpeter, Inc., for as-needed civil engineering services. The intention is to use the funds predominantly for services to investigate and rehabilitate wharf substructures. The contract is funded by the Board's Fiscal Year 2017 Capital Improvement Program.

After discussion, the committee indicated it would refer this matter favorably to the Board at its next regularly scheduled meeting.

5. Briefing on and Discussion of a Resolution Authorizing the President and Chief Executive Officer to Enter into an Amendment for an Amount Not to Exceed \$350,000 to the Professional Services Contract with Modjeski & Masters, Inc., to Provide Bridge Inspection and Load Rating Services.

Mr. L. Jackson briefed the committee on a resolution authorizing the President and Chief Executive Officer to enter into an amendment for an amount not to exceed \$350,000 to the professional services contract with Modjeski & Masters, Inc., for bridge inspection and load rating services. The funds will be used predominantly for the inspection and load rating of the structures supporting railroad tracks on Board wharves as required by the Federal Railroad Administration. The contract is funded by the Board's Fiscal Year 2017 Capital Improvement Program.

After discussion, the committee indicated it would refer this matter favorably to the Board at its next regularly scheduled meeting.

6. Briefing on and Discussion of a Resolution Authorizing the President and Chief Executive Officer to Amend the Contract with Design Engineering, Inc., for the Thalia Street Wharf New Parking Garage to Provide for As-Needed Professional Design Services, to Change the Not-To-Exceed Contract Amount to \$905,000, and to Change the Term of the Contract to Three Years.

Mr. L. Jackson briefed the committee on a resolution authorizing the President and Chief Executive Officer to amend the contract with Design Engineering, Inc., for an amount not to exceed \$905,000 for the Thalia Street Wharf new parking garage to provide for as-needed professional design services and to change its term to three years. The contract is funded by the Board's Fiscal Year 2017 Capital Improvement Program.

After discussion, the committee indicated it would refer this matter favorably to the Board at its next regularly scheduled meeting.

7. Briefing on and Discussion of a Resolution Authorizing the President and Chief Executive Officer to Enter into an Amendment in the Amount of \$77,967.31 to the Contract with Hard Rock Construction, LLC, for the Mississippi River Intermodal Terminal Improvements.

Mr. L. Jackson briefed the committee on a resolution authorizing the President and Chief Executive Officer to enter into an amendment in the amount of \$77,967.31 to the contract with Hard Rock Construction, LLC, for the Mississippi River Intermodal Terminal improvements. The contract is funded by the TIGER III Grant and the Board's Fiscal Year 2017 Capital Improvement Program.

After discussion, the committee indicated it would refer this matter favorably to the Board at its next regularly scheduled meeting.

8. Briefing on and Discussion of a Resolution Authorizing the President and Chief Executive Officer to Enter into a Professional Services Contract with Jemison & Partners, Inc., for an Amount Not to Exceed \$250,000 for As-Needed Grants Management Services.

Ms. Fant briefed the committee on a resolution authorizing the President and Chief Executive Officer to enter into a professional services contract not to exceed \$250,000 with Jemison & Partners, Inc., for as-needed grants management services. The contract is funded by the Board's Fiscal Year 2017 Capital Improvement Program and Expense Budget.

After discussion, the committee indicated it would refer this matter favorably to the Board at its next regularly scheduled meeting.

9. Briefing on and Discussion of a Resolution Authorizing the President and Chief Executive Officer to Amend the Contract with J.S. Held, LLC, for Environmental Site Assessments, Hazards Abatement, and Remediation Services, to Increase the Not-To-Exceed Contract Amount by \$90,000 and to Extend the Term to June 30, 2018.

Ms. Fant briefed the committee on a resolution authorizing the President and Chief Executive Officer to amend the contract with J.S. Held, LLC, for an amount not to exceed \$90,000 for environmental site assessments, hazards abatement, and remediation services. The contract is funded by the Board's Fiscal Year 2017 Capital Improvement Budget.

After discussion, the committee indicated it would refer this matter favorably to the Board at its next regularly scheduled meeting.

D. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the committee, Committee Chairman Baker adjourned the meeting at 2:40 P.M.

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
PORT OF NEW ORLEANS
MINUTES OF
THE PROPERTY AND INSURANCE
COMMITTEE MEETING
MONDAY, JUNE 19, 2017**

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 AT 1350 PORT OF NEW ORLEANS PLACE, NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA, WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN LANEY J. CHOUEST AT 2:41 P.M. ON MONDAY, JUNE 19, 2017.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

PRESENT:

Laney J. Chouest, Committee Chairman
William T. Bergeron, Member
Robert R. Barkerding, Jr., Member
Arnold B. Baker, Member
Tara C. Hernandez, Member
Darryl D. Berger, Member

COMMITTEE MEMBER

ABSENT:

Michael W. Kearney, Member

STAFF:

B. Christian, President and Chief Executive Officer
A. Fant, Vice President, Planning & Facility
M. Gannon, Vice President, Public Affairs
B. Gussoni, Executive Counsel
B. Landry, Vice President, Commercial
E. Pansano, Director, Audit
R. Wendel, Chief Financial Officer
T. Carter, Director Procurement
M. Gresham, Director, External Affairs
J. Guidry, Director, Maintenance
L. Jackson, Director Engineering
D. Jackson, Manager, Media Relations
W. Stokes, Administrative Assistant
H. Fontenot, Paralegal
J. Crist, General Operations

GUESTS:

L. Traweek, *City Business*
S. Touns, Government Consultants

A. Determination of Quorum and Call to Order

Committee Chairman Chouest determined the existence of a quorum and called the meeting to order at 2:41 P.M.

B. Public Comment

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

C. Briefing and Discussion Items

1. Briefing on and Discussion of a Resolution Authorizing the President and Chief Executive Officer to Enter into an Agreement with Coastal Cargo Company, LLC, to Lease the Louisiana Avenue Terminal Complex.

Mr. Landry briefed the committee on a resolution authorizing the President and Chief Executive Officer to enter into an agreement with Coastal Cargo Company, LLC, to lease the Louisiana Avenue Terminal Complex. Mr. Landry stated that the agreement is an extension of the lease for five years and includes a 3% rent increase from July, 2019, through July, 2021.

After discussion, the committee indicated it would refer this matter favorably to the Board at its next regularly scheduled meeting.

2. Briefing on and Discussion of a Resolution Authorizing the President and Chief Executive Officer to Enter into an Agreement with Ports America Louisiana, LLC, to Amend its Lease at the Nashville Avenue Terminal.

Mr. Crist briefed the committee on a resolution authorizing the President and Chief Executive Officer to enter into an agreement with Ports America Louisiana, LLC, to amend its lease at the Nashville Avenue terminal. Mr. Crist commented that this would be the 11th amendment to the lease and it would address the shed deck failure last March. He stated that the purpose of the amendment is to resolve increased operational costs, reduced facility capacity, and reduced berthing options.

After discussion, the committee indicated it would refer this matter favorably to the Board at its next regularly scheduled meeting.

D. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the committee, Chairman Chouest adjourned the meeting at 2:52 P.M.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
PORT OF NEW ORLEANS
MINUTES
OF
THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
THURSDAY, JUNE 22, 2017

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 AT 1350 PORT OF NEW ORLEANS PLACE, NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA, WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN MICHAEL W. KEARNEY AT 9:34 A.M. ON THURSDAY, JUNE 22, 2017.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

PRESENT:

Michael W. Kearney, Committee Chairman
William T. Bergeron, Member
Robert R. Barkerding, Jr. Member
Arnold B. Baker, Member
Tara C. Hernandez, Member
Darryl D. Berger, Member

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

ABSENT:

Laney J. Chouest, Member

STAFF:

B. Christian, President and Chief Executive Officer
A. Fant, Vice President, planning & Facilities
M. Ganon, Vice President, Public Affairs
B. Gussoni, Executive Counsel
B. Landry, Vice President, Commercial
E. Pansano, Director, Internal Audit
R. Wendel, Chief Financial Officer
T. Carter, Director, Procurement
M. Gresham, Director, External Affairs
R. Aragon Dolese, Director, Communications/Media
A. Taylor, Port Manager
W. Stokes, Administrative Assistant
H. Fontenot, Paralegal
J. Moran, Administrative Assistant
L. Martin, Contracts/Grants Reviewer
S. Dillon, Administrative Coordinator

GUESTS:

M. Douglas, Printing Operator
W. Evans, Matrix PDM

1. Determination of Quorum and Call to Order.

Committee Chairman Kearney determined the existence of a quorum and called the meeting to order at 9:34 A.M.

2. Public Comment.

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

3. Chairman's Comments.

Committee Chairman Kearney commented that he was pleased with the negotiations and discussion with the City about the Public Belt Railroad and the transfer of its assets.

4. Briefing and Discussion Items.

A. Briefing on and Discussion of the Status of the Board's Centralized Procurement Department.

Ms. Carter discussed the status of the Board's centralized Procurement Department. She introduced the Procurement Department team and stated that it has been a full year since it was implemented. Ms. Carter provided an update on centralized procurement and reviewed the department's goals and additional steps taken since last June. She discussed the state public bid law requirements and Board policy and procedures. Ms. Carter discussed her department's accomplishments: the updated procurement website, internal process changes, SBE progress, and local and small business outreach.

Chairman Kearney and Ms. Christian complimented Ms. Carter on her presentation and the procurement team on all of their work.

B. Briefing on and Discussion of a Resolution Authorizing the President and Chief Executive Officer to Enter into an Agreement to Purchase Property Necessary to Satisfy the Obligations of the Port of New Orleans (the Port) in the Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the City of New Orleans and the New Orleans Public Belt Railroad Commission (the Commission) to Complete the Transaction for the Transfer of Ownership of the Commission to the Port.

Mr. Gussoni briefed the committee on a resolution authorizing the President and Chief Executive Officer to enter into an agreement to purchase property necessary to satisfy the obligations of the Port of New Orleans in the Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the City of New Orleans and the New Orleans Public Belt Railroad

Commission to relocate the tenant on the riverfront wharves to be turned over to the City.

He stated that this would give Ms. Christian the authority to take necessary action when a site or property becomes available and would allow for a swift process for the purchase.

After discussion, the committee indicated it would refer this matter favorably to the Board at its next regularly scheduled meeting.

5. President and Chief Executive Officer's Comments.

Ms. Christian stated that she would hold her remarks for the Board meeting. She echoed Commissioner Kearney's comments regarding the status on the transition of the New Orleans Public Belt Railroad. Chairman Kearney and Ms. Christian mentioned that the New Orleans City Council will be voting on a resolution to support the framework of this agreement this morning.

6. Upcoming Events.

- July 13, 2017, Thursday, 2:00 P.M. – 4:00 P.M. – Mariner's Club, Port Boat Tour
- July 19, 2017, Wednesday, 11:00 A.M. - 1:30 P.M. – Sheraton New Orleans, Armstrong Ballroom, C. Alvin Bertel Award Luncheon
- July 28, 2017, Friday, 11:30 – 1:30 P.M. –Monthly Port Boat Tour, General Public

7. Adjournment.

There being no further business to come before the committee, Committee Chairman Kearney adjourned the meeting at 9:55 A.M.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
PORT OF NEW ORLEANS
MINUTES
OF
THE REGULAR MEETING
JUNE 22, 2017

MEETING NO. 12, FISCAL YEAR 2017, A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE PORT OF NEW ORLEANS, HELD IN THE MAIN AUDITORIUM AT ITS OFFICES AT 1350 PORT OF NEW ORLEANS PLACE, NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA, WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY CHAIRMAN MICHAEL W. KEARNEY AT 11:01 A.M. ON THURSDAY, JUNE 22, 2017.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Michael W. Kearney, Chairman
Robert R. Barkerding, Jr., Vice-Chairman
William T. Bergeron, Member
Arnold B. Baker, Member
Tara C. Hernandez, Member
Darryl D. Berger, Member

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Laney J. Chouest, Secretary-Treasurer

STAFF:

B. Christian, President and Chief Executive Officer
A. Fant, Vice President, Planning & Facilities
M. Ganon, Vice President, Public Affairs
B. Gussoni, Executive Counsel
E. Pansano, Director, Audit
R. Wendel, Chief Financial Officer
R. Aragon Dolese, Director, Communications/Media
C. Bonura, Director, Real Estate
T. Carter, Director, Procurement
J. Guidry, Director, Maintenance
L. Jackson, Director, Engineering
R. Hecker, Chief, Harbor Police Department
K. Frankic, Port Planner
S. Gauthier, Manager, Cruise Operations
D. Jackson, Manager, Media Relations
A. Taylor, Manager, Services
M. Verderame, Manager, Records
J. Scheck, Communications
H. Fontenot, Paralegal

M. Booker, Engineering
J. Crist, General Operations
A. Blake, Information Technology
M. Steib, Information Technology
W. Stokes, Administrative Assistant
J. Moran, Administrative Assistant
C. Cahill, Administrative Assistant
C. Falgoust, Administrative Assistant
D. Feraci, Administrative Assistant
A. Hanks, Administrative Assistant

GUESTS:

B. Naghashi, Hardesty & Hanover
L. Lazard, African American Heritage Cultural Center
B. Vones, African American Heritage Cultural Center
G. Neville, African American Heritage Cultural Center
C. Neville, African American Heritage Cultural Center
K. Alikhani, ECM
T. Summer, JS Held, LLC
V. Holfgreve, Design Engineering, Inc.
L. Jemison, Jemison & Partners, Inc.
N. Hasan, New Orleans Cultural Summit
B. Bourgeois, New Orleans Board of Trade
K. Caulkins, New Orleans Terminal
J. Parker, New Orleans Terminal
K. Price, New Orleans Terminal
T. Wells, Waldemar S. Nelson and Co., Inc.
D. Magee, ILA
G. Davis, ILA
W. Baudier, Design Engineering, Inc.

I. Determination of Quorum and Call to Order

Chairman Kearney determined the presence of a quorum and called the meeting to order at 11:01 A.M.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

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

III. General Public Comment (Non-agenda related items)

Chairman Kearney called for general public comment.

Mr. Lloyd Lazard addressed the Board and presented his public comment regarding a proposed riverfront site for the African American Heritage Cultural Center and the National Slave Ship Museum Project.

Mr. Brett Bourgeois, Director of the New Orleans Board of Trade, addressed the Board and said he applauded the commissioners and Ms. Christian for the great job they have done on the New Orleans Public Belt Railroad deal with the City.

IV. Approval of Minutes of May, 2017, Public Meetings

On motion duly made by Commissioner Kearney and seconded by Commissioner Bergeron, the Board unanimously approved the minutes of its public meetings of May, 2017, as previously circulated.

V. Acceptance of Financial Statement for May, 2017

On motion duly made by Chairman Kearney and seconded by Commissioner Hernandez, the Board unanimously accepted the May, 2017, financial statement as previously circulated.

VI. Actions Required

A. Consider Approval of a Resolution Awarding a Contract in the Amount of \$4,913,588 to Coastal Marine Contractors, LLC, for Substructure Repairs at the Alabo Street Terminal.

Mr. L. Jackson presented and recommended approval of a resolution awarding a contract in the amount of \$4,913,588 to Coastal Marine Contractors, LLC, for all labor, materials, and equipment required for wharf substructure pile inspection and repairs at the Alabo Street Terminal.

Commissioner Baker advised the Board that the Planning and Engineering Committee had met and reviewed the resolution with staff, and he moved for its approval. Commissioner Barkerding seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

B. Consider Approval of a Resolution Awarding a Contract in the Amount of \$19,641,090 to Cycle Marine Group, Inc., for Substructure Repairs at Nashville Avenue Wharf "A".

Mr. L. Jackson presented and recommended approval of a resolution awarding a contract in the amount of \$19,641,090 to Cycle Marine Group, Inc., for all labor, materials, and equipment required for wharf substructure repairs at the Nashville Avenue Wharf "A".

Commissioner Baker advised the Board that the Planning and Engineering Committee had met and reviewed the resolution with staff, and he moved for its approval. Commissioner Berger seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

C. 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 Linfield, Hunter & Junius, Inc., to Provide As-Needed Civil Engineering Services.

Mr. L. Jackson presented and recommended approval of a resolution authorizing the President and the Chief Executive Officer to enter into an amendment for an amount not to exceed \$500,000 to the professional services contract with Linfield, Hunter & Junius, Inc., for as-needed civil engineering services.

Commissioner Baker advised the Board that the Planning and Engineering Committee had met and reviewed the resolution with staff, and he moved for its approval. Commissioner Hernandez seconded the motion. **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 \$400,000 to the Professional Services Contract with Burk Kleinpeter, Inc., to Provide As-Needed Civil Engineering Services.

Mr. L. Jackson presented and recommended approval of a resolution authorizing the President and Chief Executive Officer to enter into an amendment for an amount not to exceed \$400,000 to the professional services contract with Burk Kleinpeter, Inc., for as-needed civil engineering services.

Commissioner Baker advised the Board that the Planning and Engineering Committee had met and reviewed the resolution with staff, and he moved for its approval. Commissioner Bergeron seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

E. Consider Approval of a Resolution Authorizing the President and Chief Executive Officer to Enter into an Amendment for an Amount Not to Exceed \$350,000 to the Professional Services Contract with Modjeski & Masters, Inc., to Provide Bridge Inspection and Load Rating Services.

Mr. L. Jackson presented and recommended approval of a resolution authorizing the President and Chief Executive Officer to enter into an amendment for an amount not to exceed \$350,000 to the professional services contract with Modjeski & Masters, Inc., for bridge inspection and load rating services.

Commissioner Baker advised the Board that the Planning and Engineering Committee had met and reviewed the resolution with staff, and he moved for its approval. Commissioner Hernandez seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

F. Consider Approval of a Resolution Authorizing the President and Chief Executive Officer to Amend the Contract with Design Engineering, Inc., for the Thalia Street Wharf New Parking Garage to Provide for As-Needed Professional Design Services, to Change the Not-to-Exceed Contract Amount to \$905,000, and to Change the Term of the Contract to Three Years.

Mr. L. Jackson presented and recommended approval of a resolution authorizing the President and Chief Executive Officer to enter into an amendment in an amount not to exceed \$905,000 to the contract with Design Engineering, Inc., for the Thalia Street Wharf's new parking garage to provide for as-needed professional design services and to change the term of the contract to three years.

Commissioner Baker advised the Board that the Planning and Engineering Committee had met and reviewed the resolution with staff, and he moved for its approval. Commissioner Bergeron seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

G. Consider Approval of a Resolution Authorizing the President and Chief Executive Officer to Enter into an Amendment in the Amount of \$77,967.31 to the Contract with Hard Rock Construction, LLC, for the Mississippi River Intermodal Terminal Improvements.

Mr. L. Jackson presented and recommended approval of a resolution authorizing the President and Chief Executive Officer to enter into an amendment in the amount of \$77,967.31 to the contract with Hard Rock Construction, LLC, for improvements at the Mississippi River Intermodal Terminal.

Commissioner Baker advised the Board that the Planning and Engineering Committee had met and reviewed the resolution with staff, and he moved for its approval. Commissioner Berger seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

H. Consider Approval of a Resolution Authorizing the President and Chief Executive Officer to Enter into a Professional Services Contract with Jemison & Partners, Inc., for an Amount Not to Exceed \$250,000 for As-Needed Grants Management Services.

Ms. Pellegrin presented and recommended approval of a resolution authorizing the President and Chief Executive Officer to enter into a professional services contract in an amount not to exceed \$250,000 with Jemison & Partners, Inc., for as-needed grants management services.

Commissioner Baker advised the Board that the Planning and Engineering Committee had met and reviewed the resolution with staff, and he moved for its approval. Commissioner Berger seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

I. Consider Approval of a Resolution Authorizing the President and Chief Executive Officer to Amend the Contract with J.S. Held, LLC, for Environmental Site Assessments, Hazards Abatement, and Remediation Services, to Increase the Not-to-Exceed Contract Amount by \$90,000 and to Extend the Term to June 30, 2018.

Ms. Pellegrin presented and recommended approval of a resolution authorizing the President and Chief Executive Officer to amend the contract with J.S. Held, LLC, to increase the not-to-exceed contract amount by \$90,000 for environmental site assessments, hazards abatement, remediation services, and to extend the term to June 30, 2018.

Commissioner Baker advised the Board that the Planning and Engineering Committee had met and reviewed the resolution with staff, and he moved for its approval. Commissioner Bergeron seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

J. Consider Approval of a Resolution Authorizing the President and Chief Executive Officer to Enter into an Agreement with Coastal Cargo Company, LLC, to Lease the Louisiana Avenue Terminal Complex.

Mr. Landry presented and recommended approval of a resolution authorizing the President and Chief Executive Officer to enter into an agreement with Coastal Cargo Company, LLC, to lease the Louisiana Avenue Terminal Complex.

Commissioner Hernandez advised the Board that the Property and Insurance Committee had met and reviewed the resolution with staff, and he moved for its approval. Commissioner Baker seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

K. Consider Approval of a Resolution Authorizing the President and Chief Executive Officer to Enter into an Agreement with Ports America Louisiana, LLC, to Amend its Lease at the Nashville Avenue Terminal.

Mr. Crist presented and recommended approval of a resolution authorizing the President and Chief Executive Officer to enter into an agreement with Ports America Louisiana, LLC, to amend its lease at the Nashville Avenue Terminal.

Commissioner Hernandez advised the Board that the Property and Insurance Committee had met and reviewed the resolution with staff, and he moved for its approval. Commissioner Baker seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

L. Consider Approval of a Resolution Declaring the Official Journal of the Board for Fiscal Year 2018.

Mr. Gussoni presented and recommended approval of a resolution declaring the *Times-Picayune* to be the official journal of the Board for Fiscal Year 2018.

Commissioner Barkerding advised the Board that the Budget Committee had met and reviewed the resolution with staff, and he moved for its approval. Commissioner Hernandez seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

M. Consider Approval of a Resolution Approving the Board of Commissioners of the Port of New Orleans Financial and Operating Plan for Fiscal Year 2018.

Mr. Wendel presented and recommended approval of a resolution approving the Board of Commissioners of the Port of New Orleans Financial and Operating Plan for Fiscal Year 2018.

Commissioner Barkerding advised the Board that the Budget Committee had met and reviewed the resolution with staff, and he moved for its approval. Commissioner Bergeron seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

N. Consider Approval of a Resolution Giving Preliminary Approval of the Issuance of Not Exceeding \$50,000,000 of Board of Commissioners of the Port of New Orleans Port Facility Revenue Bonds in One or More Series; Declaring the Board's Intention to Reimburse Itself for Capital Improvement Costs Out of the Proceeds of the Port Facility Revenue Bonds; Making Application to the State Bond Commission for Approval of Said Port Connection with the Issuance of the Port Facility Revenue Bonds; and Providing for the Appointment of Foley & Judell, L.L.P., as Special Bond Counsel in Connection with the Issuance of the Port Facility Revenue Bonds.

Mr. Wendel presented and recommended approval of a resolution giving preliminary approval of the issuance of not exceeding \$50,000,000 of Board of Commissioners of the Port of New Orleans Port Facility revenue bonds in one or more series.

Commissioner Barkerding advised the Board that the Budget Committee had met and reviewed the resolution with staff, and he moved for its approval. Commissioner Hernandez seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

O. Consider Approval of a Resolution Authorizing the President and Chief Executive Officer to Replace the Letter of Credit of First National Bank of Commerce with a Letter of Credit of JPMorgan Chase as Support for the Board's Subordinate Lien Variable Rate Refunding Revenue Bonds, Series 2010.

Mr. Wendel presented and recommended approval of a resolution authorizing the President and Chief Executive Officer to replace the letter of credit of First National Bank of Commerce with a letter of credit of JPMorgan Chase as support for the Board's Subordinate Lien Variable Rate Refunding Revenue Bonds, Series 2010.

Commissioner Barkerding advised the Board that the Budget Committee had met and reviewed the resolution with staff, and he moved for its approval. Commissioner Bergeron seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

P. Consider Approval of a Resolution Authorizing the President and Chief Executive Officer to Enter into an Agreement to Purchase Property Necessary to Satisfy the Obligations of the Port of New Orleans (the Port) in the Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the City of New Orleans and the New Orleans Public Belt Railroad Commission (the Commission) to Complete the Transaction for the Transfer of Ownership of the Commission to the Port.

Mr. Gussoni presented and recommended approval of a resolution authorizing the President and Chief Executive Officer to enter into an agreement to purchase property necessary to satisfy the obligations of the Port of New Orleans in the Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the City of New Orleans and the New Orleans Public Belt Railroad Commission to complete the transaction for the transfer of ownership of the Commission to the Port.

Commissioner Kearney advised the Board that the Executive Committee had met and reviewed the resolution with staff, and he moved for its approval. Commissioner Baker seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

VII. Report of the Nominating Committee

Chairman Kearney called on Commissioner Bergeron as Chairman of the Nominating Committee to make the Committee's report on a change of officers.

Commissioner Bergeron announced and moved the following nominations to serve as the officers of the Board of Commissioners effective this meeting: Commissioner Robert R. Barkerding, Jr., as incoming Chairman, Commissioner Laney J. Chouest as incoming Vice Chairman, and Commissioner Arnold B. Baker as incoming Secretary/Treasurer.

Chairman Kearney stated that there was a motion by Commissioner Bergeron to accept the recommendations of the nominating committee. There was a second by Commissioner Berger. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

VIII. Commissioners' Comments

Several Commissioners thanked Chairman Kearney for his outstanding nine months of service as chairman. Commissioner Kearney turned over the gavel to new Chairman Barkerding.

Chairman Kearney commented that it has been an honor and a pleasure for him to serve as chairman for the past nine months.

Commissioner Barkerding presented former Chairman Kearney with a plaque in recognition of and as a token of appreciation for his service.

IX. Report by the President and Chief Executive Officer

Ms. Christian recognized and thanked the finance and budget team who was awarded the Certificate of Achievement in Financial Reporting by the Government Finance Officers Association that recognizes both quality of financial reporting and a constructive spirit of full disclosure.

Ms. Christian talked about the future of the New Orleans Public Belt Railroad and said the New Orleans City Council is currently considering a resolution to support the framework of the transfer to the Port of New Orleans and opening up the waterfront.

Ms. Christian recognized the outgoing Chairman and thanked him for his steady, empowering leadership.

X. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 11:35 A.M.

NEXT MEETING:

11:00 A.M., Wednesday, March 23, 2017

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
PORT OF NEW ORLEANS
MINUTES
OF
THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE MEETING
MONDAY, JUNE 19, 2017

A MEETING OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE PORT OF NEW ORLEANS, HELD IN THE PRESENTATION ROOM ON THE 4TH FLOOR AT ITS OFFICES AT 1350 PORT OF NEW ORLEANS PLACE, NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA, WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN WILLIAM T. BERGERON AT 2:53 P.M. ON MONDAY, JUNE 19, 2017.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

PRESENT:

William T. Bergeron, Member
Tara C. Hernandez, Member
Darryl D. Berger, Member

OTHER COMMISSIONERS

PRESENT:

Robert R. Barkerding, Jr., Member
Laney J. Chouest, Member
Arnold B. Baker, Member

STAFF:

B. Christian, President and Chief Executive Officer
A. Fant, Vice President, planning & Facilities
M. Ganon, Vice President, Public Affairs
B. Gussoni, Executive Counsel
B. Landry, Vice President, Commercial
E. Pansano, Director, Internal Audit
R. Wendel, Chief Financial Officer
T. Carter, Director, Procurement
M. Gresham, Director, External Affairs
J. Guidry, Director, Maintenance
L. Jackson, Director, Engineering
D. Jackson, Manager, Media Relations
W. Stokes, Administrative Assistant
H. Fontenot, Paralegal
J. Crist, General Operations

GUESTS:

L. Traweek, *City Business*

A. Determination of Quorum and Call to Order.

Committee Chairman Bergeron determined the existence of a quorum and called the meeting to order at 2:53 P.M.

B. Public Comment.

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

C. Briefing and Discussion Items

Discussion and Determination of Nominees to Recommend to Become Officers of the Board of Commissioners of the Port of New Orleans from July, 2017, through March, 2018.

Commissioner Bergeron referred to this Board's long-standing tradition of rotating officers based on seniority and announced that, based on that practice, the nominees for officers of the Board of Commissioners beginning at the end of this month's regular meeting and serving a nine-month term effective with the July, 2017, regular meeting, were Commissioner Robert R. Barkerding, Jr., as incoming Chairman, Commissioner Laney J. Chouest as incoming Vice-Chairman, and Commissioner Arnold B. Baker as incoming Secretary/Treasurer.

Commissioner Bergeron asked for a motion. Commissioner Berger so moved, and Commissioner Hernandez seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

D. Adjournment.

There being no further business to come before the committee, Committee Chairman Bergeron adjourned the meeting at 2:56 P.M.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
PORT OF NEW ORLEANS
MINUTES
OF
THE SPECIAL MEETING
JUNE 9, 2017

A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE PORT OF NEW ORLEANS, HELD IN THE MAIN AUDITORIUM AT ITS OFFICES AT 1350 PORT OF NEW ORLEANS PLACE, NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA, WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY CHAIRMAN MICHAEL W. KEARNEY AT 9:33 A.M. ON FRIDAY, JUNE 9, 2017.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Michael W. Kearney, Chairman
Robert R. Barkerding, Jr., Vice-Chairman
Laney J. Chouest, Secretary-Treasurer
William T. Bergeron, Member
Arnold B. Baker, Member
Tara C. Hernandez, Member
D. Berger, Member

STAFF:

B. Christian, President and Chief Executive Officer
A. Fant, Vice President, Planning & Facilities
M. Ganon, Vice President, Public Affairs
B. Gussoni, Executive Counsel
E. Pansano, Director, Audit
R. Wendel, Chief Financial Officer
R. Aragon Dolese, Director, Communications/Media
C. Bonura, Director, Real Estate
T. Carter, Director, Procurement
R. Hecker, Chief, Harbor Police Department
L. Jackson, Director, Engineering
J. Lynch, General Counsel
J. Penton, Chief Information Officer
B. Nalley, Staff Attorney
W. Stokes, Administrative Assistant
H. Fontenot, Paralegal
E. Federer, Environmental Services
K. Frankic, Manager, Real Estate Development
L. Richardson, Industrial Real Estate Manager
M. Cloos, GIS Analyst
A. Blake, Information Technology

J. Moran, Administrative Coordinator
C. Cahill, Administrative Assistant
C. Falgoust, Administrative Assistant
J. Crist, General Operations
A. Brandenburg, Internal Audit
A. Taylor, Services
J. Scheck, Communications

GUESTS:

K. App, JW Allen
R. Thompson, *The Advocate*
C. Kane, Adams & Reese
J. Jensen, TCI
R. Chauvin, Infinity Engineering
J. Rogers, Agriculture Research Services
E. Hansen, Cooper T. Smith
M. Hoelzel, ILA 1497
T. Wells, Waldemar S. Nelson
B. Broyles CC, LLC
K. Calkins, New Orleans Terminal
M. Ellis, FMCS
W. Nobles, Media/*The Times Picayune*
M. Stanley, Witt/O'Brien's
D. Scoggin, Panalpina, Inc.
D. Magee, ILA 3004
E. Chase, New Orleans Public Belt Railroad
R. Schafer, New Orleans Terminal

I. Determination of Quorum and Call to Order

Chairman Kearney determined the presence of a quorum and called the meeting to order at 9:33 A.M.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

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

III. General Public Comment

Chairman Kearney called for public comment, and there were none.

IV. Action Required

Consider Approval of a Resolution Authorizing the Board's President and Chief Executive Officer to Negotiate a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement with the City of New Orleans and/or the New Orleans Public Belt Railroad Commission to Transfer

Control and Ownership of the New Orleans Public Belt Railroad Commission from the City of New Orleans to This Board in Exchange for the Board's Governor Nicholls Street and Esplanade Avenue Wharves ("the Wharves") and a Letter of Intent in Accordance with an Agreed Framework and Such Other Terms and Conditions as the President and Chief Executive Officer May Determine Appropriate in Her Discretion and to Negotiate an Agreement with Transportation Packaging, LLC, to Relocate Its Operations from the Wharves, Subject to the Final Approval of this Board.

Mr. Landry presented and recommended approval of a resolution authorizing the Board's President and Chief Executive Officer to negotiate a cooperative endeavor agreement with the City of New Orleans and/or the Public Belt Railroad Commission to transfer control and ownership of the New Orleans Public Belt Railroad Commission from the City of New Orleans to this Board in exchange for the Board's Governor Nicholls Street and Esplanade Avenue Wharves ("the Wharves") and a letter of intent in accordance with an agreed framework and such other terms and conditions as the President and Chief Executive Officer may determine appropriate in her discretion and to negotiate an agreement with Transportation Packaging, LLC, to relocate its operations from the Wharves, subject to the final approval of this Board.

Chairman Kearney moved for its approval. Commissioner Barkerding seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Mr. Landry then provided additional background information on the New Orleans Public Belt Railroad from the beginning of its operation in 1908. He talked about the New Orleans Public Belt services that include rail operations. Mr. Landry further discussed the value of the New Orleans Public Belt to the Port of New Orleans and described the Port's vision to promote economic growth and transform the waterfront.

Board members congratulated Ms. Christian, the Port staff, and complimented everyone on all the hard work that it took in pulling this deal together.

Ms. Christian thanked everyone for attending the special meeting and expressed her appreciation to all for their support in getting to the point where we are now.

V. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 9:53 A.M.