

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
PORT OF NEW ORLEANS**

**MINUTES OF
THE BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING
MONDAY, AUGUST 21, 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 AD HOC COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN ROBERT R. BARKERDING, JR., AT 1:33 P.M. ON MONDAY, AUGUST 21, 2017.

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS
PRESENT:**

Robert R. Barkerding, Jr., Ad Hoc Committee Chairman
Michael W. Kearney, Member
Arnold B. Baker, Member
Tara C. Hernandez, Member

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS
ABSENT:**

Laney J. Chouest, Committee Chairman
William T. Bergeron, Member
Darryl 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, Internal Audit
R. Wendel, Chief Financial Officer
R. Aragon Dolese, Director, Communications/Media
C. Coats, Director, Real Estate
J. Guidry, Director, Maintenance
L. Jackson, Director, Engineering
A. Pellegrin, Director, Sustainable Development
A. Evett, Manager, Engineering
W. Stokes, Administrative Assistant
H. Fontenot, Paralegal

GUEST:

S. Kennedy, private individual

A. Determination of Quorum and Call to Order

In the absence of Committee Chairman Chouest, Board Chairman Barkerding appointed himself to serve as Ad Hoc Committee Chairman for the purpose of holding this meeting only. He determined the existence of a quorum and called the meeting to order at 1:33 P.M.

B. Public Comment

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

C. Briefing and Discussion Items

1. Briefing on and Discussion of a Resolution to Recommend to the Board at its Regular Monthly Meeting the Acceptance of the July, 2017, Financial Statement.

In the absence of Mr. Landry, Mr. Wendel gave a brief cargo report. He stated that container numbers were strong for July at 47,000 TEU's, above the prior two months. He stated that breakbulk was above the last two months, but below last year's results for July.

Mr. Wendel briefed the committee on the July, 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 \$275,000 for the first month of the fiscal year. Mr. Wendel commented that cruise brought in another \$1.4 million, even though its budget was \$1.3 million, making it \$62,000 above budget. For the month, total operating revenues were \$348,000 above budget.

On the expense side, Mr. Wendel stated that he made a change in the way he would be reporting operating expenses, breaking up payroll and benefits as well as some of the major categories grouped together. Total labor and benefits were \$129,000 below budget, and other expenditures were \$380,000 below budget mostly because of maintenance expenses. He stated that operating income before depreciation is at \$859,000 above budget for the month.

Comparing results to last year actual, Mr. Wendel stated that terminal operations had revenues of \$211,000 above last year same time, \$36,000 below our labor costs, and total expenses were \$62,000 below last year's expenditures. Mr. Wendel stated that income before depreciation was \$310,000 ahead of last year at this time.

Ad Hoc Committee Chairman Barkerding moved for the resolution's approval. Commissioner Baker seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

D. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the committee, Ad Hoc Committee Chairman Barkerding called for a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Kearney moved, and Commissioner Hernandez seconded. Ad Hoc Committee Chairman Barkerding adjourned the meeting at 1:43 P.M.

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
PORT OF NEW ORLEANS
MINUTES OF
THE PLANNING AND ENGINEERING
COMMITTEE MEETING
MONDAY, AUGUST 21, 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 CHAIRWOMAN TARA C. HERNANDEZ AT 1:44 P.M. ON MONDAY, AUGUST 21, 2017.

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS
PRESENT:**

Tara C. Hernandez, Committee Chairwoman
Michael W. Kearney, Member
Robert R. Barkerding, Jr., Member
Arnold B. Baker, Member

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS
ABSENT:**

William T. Bergeron, Member
Laney J. Chouest, Member
Darryl 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, Internal Audit
R. Wendel, Chief Financial Officer
R. Aragon Dolese, Director, Communications/Media
C. Coats, Director, Real Estate
J. Guidry, Director, Maintenance
L. Jackson, Director, Engineering
A. Pellegrin, Director, Sustainable Development
A. Evett, Manager, Engineering
W. Stokes, Administrative Assistant
H. Fontenot, Paralegal

GUESTS:

S. Kennedy, private individual

A. Determination of Quorum and Call to Order

Committee Chairwoman Hernandez determined the existence of a quorum and called the meeting to order at 1:44 P.M.

B. Public Comment

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

C. Briefing on and Discussion of Resolutions to:

1. Recommend to the Board at its Regular Monthly Meeting the Award of a Contract in the Amount of \$263,134 to Palmisano Construction, LLC, for Construction of a Fleet Vehicle and Heavy Equipment Wash Station.

Before Mr. Jackson began briefings on his items, he introduced the new Engineering Manager Mr. Anthony Evett.

Mr. L. Jackson briefed the committee on a resolution awarding a contract in the amount of \$263,134 to Palmisano Construction, LLC, of New Orleans, Louisiana, the lowest of five responsive bidders, for all labor, materials, and equipment for the construction of a fleet vehicle and heavy equipment wash station. The contract is funded by the Board's Fiscal Year 2018 Capital Improvement Program.

After discussion, Committee Chairwoman Hernandez moved for approval of the resolution to recommend. Commissioner Kearney seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

2. Recommend to the Board at its Regular Monthly Meeting the Award of a Contract in the Amount of \$158,000 to Cuzan Services, LLC, for Installation of Portwide Signage on the Inner Harbor Navigation Canal.

Mr. L. Jackson briefed the committee on a resolution awarding a contract in the amount of \$158,000 to Cuzan Services, LLC, of Belle Chasse, Louisiana, the lowest of three responsive bidders, for all labor, materials, and equipment to supply and install various directional and wayfinding signs for Board property along the Inner Harbor Navigation Canal in New Orleans, Louisiana. The contract is funded by the Board's Fiscal Year 2018 Capital Improvement Program.

After discussion, Committee Chairwoman Hernandez moved for approval of the motion to recommend. Commissioner Baker seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

3. Recommend to the Board at its Regular Monthly Meeting the Award of a Contract in the Amount of \$150,920 to Cavotec USA Inc., for the Purchase of Two Power Reeling Cables for Use on Container Cranes Nos. 4 and 5.

Mr. Guidry briefed the committee on a resolution awarding a contract in the amount of \$150,920 to Cavotec USA, Inc., the lowest of four responsive bidders, for the purchase of two power reeling cables for Container Cranes Nos. 4 and 5. The contract is funded by the Board's Fiscal Year 2018 Capital Equipment Budget.

Committee Chairwoman Hernandez moved for approval of the motion to recommend. Commissioner Baker seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

D. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the committee, Committee Chairwoman Hernandez called for a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Kearney moved and Commissioner Baker seconded the motion. Committee Chairwoman Hernandez adjourned the meeting at 1:50 P.M.

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
PORT OF NEW ORLEANS**

**MINUTES OF
THE PROPERTY AND INSURANCE
COMMITTEE MEETING**

MONDAY, AUGUST 21, 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 ARNOLD B. BAKER AT 1:51 P.M. ON MONDAY, AUGUST 21, 2017.

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS
PRESENT:**

Arnold B. Baker, Committee Chairman
Michael W. Kearney, Member
Robert R. Barkerding, Jr., Member
Tara C. Hernandez, Member

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS
ABSENT:**

William T. Bergeron, Member
Laney J. Chouest, Member
Darryl D. Berger, 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
E. Pansano, Director, Internal Audit
R. Wendel, Chief Financial Officer
C. Coats, Director, Real Estate
R. Aragon Dolese, Director, Communications/Media
J. Guidry, Director, Maintenance
A. Pellegrin, Director, Sustainable Development
A. Evett, Manager, Engineering
W. Stokes, Administrative Assistant
H. Fontenot, Paralegal

GUEST:

S. Kennedy, private individual

A. Determination of Quorum and Call to Order

Committee Chairman Baker determined the existence of a quorum and called the meeting to order at 1:51 P.M.

B. Public Comment

Committee Chairman Baker deferred any public comment until after the presentations. Ms. Christian introduced the new Director of Real Estate Ms. Christi Coats.

C. Briefing on and Discussion of Resolutions to:

- 1. Recommend to the Board at its Regular Monthly Meeting a Resolution Authorizing the President and Chief Executive Officer to Amend the Board's Lease with Kiewit Louisiana Co. at 6401 France Road in New Orleans to Extend the Lease for an Additional Two-Year Term with One Additional One-Year Option.**

Ms. Coats briefed the committee on a resolution authorizing the President and Chief Executive Officer to amend the Board's lease with Kiewit Louisiana Co. at 6401 France Road in New Orleans to extend the lease for an additional two years with one additional one-year option. She presented a brief background history of Kiewit Louisiana Co. and its current lease that is expiring on September 15, 2017.

Committee Chairman Baker moved for approval of the motion to recommend. Commissioner Hernandez seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

- 2. Recommend to the Board at its Regular Monthly Meeting a Resolution Authorizing the President and Chief Executive Officer to Enter into Non-Disclosure Agreements, Exclusive Negotiating Agreements, Option Agreements to Purchase Real Estate and All Other Agreements to Improve the Board's Strategic Position Regarding Real Estate Transactions or Development at a Cost Not to Exceed \$125,000 for Each Agreement.**

Ms. Coats briefed the committee on a resolution authorizing the President and Chief Executive Officer to enter into non-disclosure agreements, exclusive negotiating agreements, option agreements to purchase real estate and all other agreements to improve the Board's strategic position regarding real estate transactions or development at a cost not to exceed \$125,000 for each agreement.

Committee Chairman Baker recognized Mr. Steven Kennedy, who registered to make a public comment related to this item on the agenda. Mr. Kennedy stated that he was seeking clarification on broker transactions pertaining to the master plan.

There was an in-depth conversation between staff and commissioners regarding the handling of Board real estate transactions regarding brokers, and the staff and commissioners explained to Mr. Kennedy how the Port found tenants and used brokers. Commissioner Hernandez suggested that Mr. Kennedy call Ms. Tiffany Carter, the Board's Procurement Director, regarding the process for doing business with the Board.

Commissioner Baker moved for approval of the motion to recommend. Commissioner Kearney seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

D. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the committee, Committee Chairman Baker called for a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Hernandez moved and Commissioner Kearney seconded the motion. Committee Chairman Baker adjourned the meeting at 2:05 P.M.

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
PORT OF NEW ORLEANS**

**MINUTES
OF
THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
THURSDAY, AUGUST 24, 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 ROBERT R. BARKERDING, JR., AT 10:04 A.M. ON THURSDAY, AUGUST 24, 2017.

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS
PRESENT:**

Robert R. Barkerding, Jr., Committee Chairman
Michael W. Kearney, Member
Laney J. Chouest, Member
Arnold B. Baker, Member
Tara C. Hernandez, Member
Darryl D. Berger, Member

**COMMITTEE MEMBER
ABSENT:**

William T. Bergeron, 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, Internal Audit
R. Wendel, Chief Financial Officer
M. Gresham, Director, External Affairs
R. Aragon Dolese, Director, Communications/Media
W. Stokes, Administrative Assistant
H. Fontenot, Paralegal

1. Determination of Quorum and Call to Order.

Committee Chairman Barkerding determined the existence of a quorum and called the meeting to order at 10:04 A.M.

2. Public Comment.

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

3. Chairman's Comments.

Committee Chairman Barkerding had no comment.

4. Briefing on and Discussion of the Updated Internal Audit Charter.

Ms. Pansano briefed the committee on the proposed revisions to the Internal Audit Charter. She distributed a summary of the updated internal audit charter, a copy of which is made part of these minutes. She stated that her department has always worked under a charter, but it has not been updated since August, 2000, and now Internal Audit is proposing a revised document.

Commissioners Berger and Baker both arrived during this presentation.

Ms. Pansano explained the purpose of having a charter to define the department's purpose and authority as well as its responsibility. She talked about the Institute of Internal Auditors, its functions, and why the Board should follow its standards. She reviewed the major changes that are proposed in the new charter and requirements.

5. President and Chief Executive Officer's Comments.

Ms. Christian commented that the calendar of events was handed out earlier before the meeting. She asked Mr. Gresham to give an update on a policy matter.

Mr. Gresham briefed the committee on the Roseau cane phragmite, a tiny insect barely visible to the naked eye. It is killing marsh cane at an alarming rate and threatening to undo nearly a decade of coastal restoration and land-building in the delicate Mississippi River Delta. He stated that there have been meetings with various agencies on how to combat the infestation.

6. Adjournment.

There being no further business to come before the committee, Committee Chairman Barkerding called for a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Chouest moved, and Commissioner Baker seconded. Committee Chairman Barkerding adjourned the meeting at 10:35 A.M.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

PORT OF NEW ORLEANS

MINUTES

OF

THE REGULAR MEETING

AUGUST 24, 2017

MEETING NO. 3, 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 ROBERT R. BARKERDING, JR., AT 11:02 A.M. ON THURSDAY, AUGUST 24, 2017.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

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

MEMBER ABSENT:

William T. Bergeron, 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, Internal Audit
R. Wendel, Chief Financial Officer
R. Aragon Dolese, Director, Communications/Media
C. Bonura, Director, Maritime Rail Integration
C. Coats, Director, Real Estate
J. Guidry, Director, Maintenance
R. Hecker, Chief, Harbor Police Department
L. Jackson, Director, Engineering
M. Verderame, Manager, Records
M. Rubino, Staff Attorney
J. Scheck, Communications
H. Fontenot, Paralegal
W. Stokes, Administrative Assistant
C. Falgoust, Administrative Assistant
D. Feraci, Administrative Assistant

GUESTS:

B. Naghashi, Hardesty & Hanover
L. Lazard, African American Heritage Cultural Center
M. Melancon, Intelligent Transportation System
R. Glapion, The Beta Group
J. Boyd, Foley & Judell
M. Lingoni, Providence Engineering
T. Dupre, Meyer Engineering
L. Pedersen, Jr., Latter & Blum
K. Caulkins, New Orleans Terminal
K. Price, New Orleans Terminal
T. Wells, Waldemar S. Nelson and Co., Inc.
G. Davis, ILA
W. Baudier, Design Engineering, Inc.

I. Determination of Quorum and Call to Order

Chairman Barkerding determined the presence of a quorum and called the meeting to order at 11:02 A.M.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman Barkerding asked Commissioner Chouest 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 Barkerding 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.

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

On motion duly made by Chairman Barkerding and seconded by Commissioner Baker, the Board unanimously approved the minutes of its public meetings of July, 2017, as previously circulated.

V. Acceptance of Financial Statement for July, 2017

On motion duly made by Chairman Barkerding and seconded by Commissioner Berger, the Board unanimously accepted the July, 2017, financial statement as previously circulated.

VI. Actions Required

A. Consider Approval of a Resolution Awarding a Contract in the Amount of \$263,134 to Palmisano Contractors, LLC, for Construction of a Fleet Vehicle and Heavy Equipment Wash Station.

Mr. L. Jackson presented and recommended approval of a resolution awarding a contract in the amount of \$263,134 to Palmisano Contractors, LLC, for all labor, materials, and equipment for the construction of a fleet vehicle and heavy equipment wash station.

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

B. Consider Approval of a Resolution Awarding a Contract in the Amount of \$158,000 to Cuzan Services, LLC, for Installation of Portwide Signage on the Inner Harbor Navigation Canal.

Mr. L. Jackson presented and recommended approval of a resolution awarding a contract in the amount of \$158,000 to Cuzan Services, LLC, for all labor, materials, and equipment to supply and install various directional and wayfinding signs for Board property along the Inner Harbor Navigation Canal in New Orleans.

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

C. Consider Approval of a Resolution Awarding a Contract to Cavotec USA, Inc., in the Amount of \$150,920 for the Purchase of Two Power Reeling Cables for Use on Container Cranes Nos. 4 and 5.

Mr. Guidry presented and recommended approval of a resolution awarding a contract in the amount of \$150,920 to Cavotec USA, Inc., for the purchase of two power reeling cables for use on Container Cranes Nos. 4 and 5.

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

D. Consider Approval of a Resolution Authorizing the President and Chief Executive Officer to Amend the Board's Lease with Kiewit Louisiana Co. at 6401 France Road in New Orleans to Extend the Lease for an Additional Two-Year Term with One Additional One-Year Option.

Ms. Coats presented and recommended approval of a resolution authorizing the President and Chief Executive Officer to amend the Board's lease with Kiewit Louisiana Co. at 6401 France Road in New Orleans to extend the lease for an additional two-year term with one additional one-year option.

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

E. Consider Approval of a Resolution Authorizing the President and Chief Executive Officer to Enter into Non-Disclosure Agreements, Exclusive Negotiating Agreements, Option Agreements to Purchase Real Estate and All Other Agreements to Improve the Board's Strategic Position Regarding Real Estate Transactions or Development at a Cost Not to Exceed \$125,000 for Each Agreement.

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

VII. Announcement

Ms. Christian announced the intention of the Board of Commissioners of the Port of New Orleans to enter into an agreement with TCI Packaging, LLC, to transfer property pursuant to La. R.S. 33:4717.2 and that the resolution authorizing the property transfer will be considered at the next regularly scheduled meeting.

VIII. Commissioners' Comments

Commissioner Baker commented on the newly implemented Bylaws that are now being followed and how with time use of them will improve at each meeting.

IX. Report by the President and Chief Executive Officer

Ms. Christian reported that, in partnership with Seacor, the Container on Barge Service Project continues to be a big success. She stated that for the past two years, it has been reported that more than 2,660 containers were moved on barge from Baton Rouge to New Orleans and many trucks were kept off the road.

Ms. Christian reported that on August 19th, the Port had its first roll/on roll/off vessel call at the Nashville Avenue Wharf in twelve years. She urged everyone to visit the ship if they have the opportunity.

X. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 11:17 A.M.

NEXT MEETING:

11:00 A.M., Thursday, September 28, 2017

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

PORT OF NEW ORLEANS

MINUTES

OF

THE SPECIAL MEETING

AUGUST 7, 2017

SPECIAL MEETING, FISCAL YEAR 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 ROBERT R. BARKERDING, JR., AT 2:06 P.M. ON MONDAY, AUGUST 7, 2017.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Robert R. Barkerding, Jr., Chairman
Laney J. Chouest, Vice-Chairman
Arnold B. Baker, Secretary-Treasurer
William T. Bergeron, Member
Michael W. Kearney, Member
Tara C. Hernandez, Member
Darryl 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
R. Wendel, Chief Financial Officer
E. Pansano, Director, Internal Audit
R. Hecker, Chief, Harbor Police Department
J. Guidry, Director, Maintenance
D. Jackson, Manager, Media Relations
M. Verderame, Manager, Records
H. Fontenot, Paralegal
W. Stokes, Administrative Assistant
C. Falgoust, Administrative Assistant
J. Crist, General Operations
J. Scheck, Communications

GUESTS:

J. Parker, New Orleans Terminal
K. Calkins, New Orleans Terminal
M. Kerns, Mike Hooks LLC

I. Determination of Quorum and Call to Order

Chairman Barkerding determined the presence of a quorum and called the meeting to order at 2:06 A.M.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

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

III. Public Comment

Chairman Barkerding 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 Enter into a Contract for an Amount Not to Exceed \$1.5 Million for Dredging Services at the Napoleon/Nashville Avenue Container Terminals.

Mr. Guidry presented and recommended approval of a resolution authorizing the Board's President and Chief Executive Officer to enter into a contract for an amount not to exceed \$1.5 million for dredging services at the Napoleon/Nashville Avenue Container Terminal Complex.

Chairman Barkerding asked for a motion to approve. Commissioner Bergeron moved for approval, and Commissioner Chouest seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Ms. Christian thanked the staff for moving the dredging situation forward quickly because of its importance to the Port's terminal customers.

Commissioner Bergeron commented on dredging and his experience in the past and said that he fully supports the need for its services.

V. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the committee, Chairman Barkerding called for a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Kearney moved, and Commissioner Barkerding seconded. Chairman Barkerding adjourned the meeting at 2:11 P.M.