

NATCHITOCHE PARISH PORT COMMISSION
May 17, 2021, Regular Meeting

Present were Nettles Brown, William Allen, Ralph Ingram and K. David Zachary, Commissioners. Absent was Dan Simmons. Also, present were Travis Tyler, Executive Director of the Port, Mickey Chambers, Assistant to the Executive Director of the Port and Mark A. Begnaud of McCoy Roberts & Begnaud, Ltd., legal counsel to the Commission.

A motion was made by Mr. Allen, seconded by Mr. Ingram, and duly carried to approve the minutes of the April 19, 2021, Commission meeting.

As part of the Director's Activity Report, Mr. Tyler reported: 1) approximately 160,000 tons of material has moved through the Port year to date; 2) ADA has been getting the warehouse in order; 3) Madden is loading a rock train that will be delivered to the Port; 4) Custom Commodities is moving forward with negotiation of its new lease site.

Also, as part of the Director's Report, Mr. Tyler provided updates on several projects the Port has submitted information on, including: 1) Project Titan - needs approximately 150 acres and would infuse approximately \$130 million in capital investment and provide 120 +/- jobs. The Port has received a follow up call from representatives and may receive a site visit; 2) Project Quatro Louis - a wood manufacturing facility that would need 300-500 acres of land and would infuse approximately \$920 million in capital investment and provide 550 +/- jobs; 3) Project Alberta - a gas to liquid manufacturing facility that would need 160 acres of land and would infuse approximately \$2.5 billion in capital investment and provide 188 +/- jobs; 4) Project Drill - the Port had a follow up meeting; this project will be crushing raw material for drilling operations; 5) Project Milton is currently working with LED; and 6) Project Green - the Port continues to work with representatives of the prospect.

Also, as part of the Director's Report, Mr. Tyler stated: 1) Terral does not want to renew its

ground lease; 2) the Grand Ecore Bridge was inspected on the weekend of May 15, 2021; 3) a valve on the Port's waterline is leaking and will need to be inspected; 4) the Port may receive some funding from the American Rescue Plan; 5) the Port is providing additional information to the Corps of Engineers regarding the closure of the upper end of the bendway; and 6) the Port continues to investigate potential purchase of the Caddo/Bossier Port locomotives.

After the Commissioners reviewed the April 2021 Treasurer's Report, a motion was made by Mr. Ingram, seconded by Mr. Allen and duly carried to accept the report, a copy of which was available for review.

In Old Business, Mr. Tyler reported the following: 1) regarding capital improvements, the Port will continue to evaluate option based on its ultimate tenant(s); 2) regarding the Dock 3 Repair, the Port is currently working with Infinity to utilize FEMA funds to stabilize lower dock and return the upper dock to usable form.

In New Business: 1) a motion was made by Mr. Allen, seconded by Mr. Ingram and duly passed for a resolution approving Lease Agreement I with ADA Carbon Solutions; 2) a motion was made by Mr. Ingram, seconded by Mr. Allen and duly passed for a resolution approving Lease Agreement II with ADA Carbon Solutions; 3) a motion was made by Mr. Ingram, seconded by Mr. Allen and duly passed approving a short term lease with Custom Commodities; and 4) a motion was made by Mr. Ingram, seconded by Mr. Allen and duly passed approving the engagement letter of Kenneth D. Folden & Co., CPA's

A motion was made by Mr. Ingram, seconded by Mr. Allen, and after a unanimous roll call vote, the Board entered executive session to discuss litigation matters.

After exiting executive session, a motion was made by Mr. Allen, seconded by Mr. Ingram and duly passed approving settlement with Matriculated Services, LLC.

A motion was made by Mr. Ingram, seconded by Mr. Allen and duly carried that the

meeting be adjourned.