## NATCHITOCHES PARISH PORT COMMISSION January 17, 2022, Regular Meeting

Present were Nettles Brown, Ralph Ingram, William Allen 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, Ronnie Blewer, Sr., Ronnie Blewer, Jr. and Erika F. Cedars 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 December 20, 2021, Commission meeting.

As part of the Director's Activity Report, Mr. Tyler reported: 1) over 560,000 tons of material have moved through the Port this year by truck and/or rail; 2) Madden brought in four (4) rock trains last month and already three (3) this year; 3) Kisatchie Chips continues to run at full capacity and will load out approximately 5 rail cars this week; 4) CLECO is out of its shutdown; 5) KNH is bringing in dirt, ash and concrete into the Port by truck; and 4) a company interested in unloading containers and loading the empty containers onto rail cars start operations in the last half of the year; 5) the ADA warehouse is full.

Also, as part of the Director's Report, Mr. Tyler reported he has been in contact with the following potential tenants: 1) a cement company showed interested in utilizing the chip pad area; 2) Project Green met at the beginning of December and is working with Louisiana Economic Development. The Port may apply for an additional port priority grant; 3) The Commissioners need to complete their ethics, Tier 2-1 and sexual harassment training.

Also, as part of the Director's Report, Mr. Tyler reported he continues to work on the revetment issue at the north end of the oxbow. He has met with representative of the Congressional delegation and is receiving positive feedback.

No Treasurer's Report.

In Old Business, Mr. Tyler reported the following: 1) the Port is in the application process for the National Guard to build the ring levee for elevating and protecting the Northport tract; and 2) waiting on Project Green before making a decision related to the rail spur; and 3) there are no further developments related to the potential purchase of the truck scale from Terral.

In New Business, 1) Weyerhauser wants to move forward with a transload agreement. It is now looking at two railcars a week, and wants the Port to provide a forklift and operator to unload the railcars. A motion was made by Mr. Ingram, seconded by Mr. Allen, and was duly approved for Mr. Tyler to negotiate terms, starting with a three (3) month trial agreement; and 2) a motion was made by Mr. Ingram, seconded by Mr. Allen and duly passed approving a one-time transload agreement with Great Lakes Grain for four to five railcars and utilization of an auger and the Port's tractor.

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

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

## NATCHITOCHES PARISH PORT COMMISSION February 11, 2022, Special Meeting

Present were Nettles Brown, Ralph Ingram, William Allen, Dan Simmons and K. David Zachary Commissioners. 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.

After discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Ingram, seconded by Mr. Zachary, and after a unanimous roll call vote, the Teamsters Pipeline Training Fund Agreement was approved.

After an extended discussion, a motion was made by Mr. Allen, seconded by Mr. Simmons, and after a unanimous roll call vote, the Weyerhaeuser Transload Agreement was approved with Mr. Tyler having some leeway regarding negotiations of terms of the agreement.

A motion was made by Mr. Ingram, seconded by Mr. Zachary and duly carried that the meeting be adjourned.