



Grand Isle Port Commission

John Bel Edwards - Governor
Commissioners: Bob Sevin-President, Ambrose Besson-Vice President,
Perry Chighizola-Secretary/Treasurer, Terrill Pizani, and
Ernie Ballard
Weldon Danos - Executive Director

Friday, September 16, 2022

Meeting opened at noon by Commissioner Perry Chighizola at the Grand Isle Multiplex Building located at 3101 Louisiana Highway 1. Commissioners present were Perry Chighizola, Ambrose Besson, and Terrill Pizani. Commissioners Bob Sevin and Ernie Ballard were absent.

A motion was made by Commissioner Chighizola, seconded by Commissioner Besson, and unanimously agreed to amend the agenda to add 10A. Jeff Smith lease and 13A. Executive Session to discuss personal matters.

A motion was made by Commissioner Chighizola, seconded by Commissioner Besson to close the agenda.

A motion was made by Commissioner Pizani, seconded by Commissioner Besson and unanimously agreed to approve the minutes of the meeting held on August 12, 2022 as read.

A motion was made by Commissioner Pizani, seconded by Commissioner Chighizola, and unanimously agreed to approve the financial report and pay all invoices associated with operating the port commission.

Mr. Saleh addressed the board and stated that he had good news. FEMA has approved the revised project to fix the Commercial Dock. We have been working on this project for over 7 years. A motion was made by Commissioner Pizani, seconded by Commissioner Besson and unanimously agreed to have the Executive Director bid out the repairs to the Commercial Dock. The board also authorized Mr. Saleh to prepare the Capital Outlay request for the port.

Executive Director Weldon Danos addressed the commissioners and stated that we have received 25 paid dock leases out of 32 mailed out. We had a vessel leaking oil and contacted the proper officials. Received a quote to repair the main road from DHF for \$9,996.00 and need authorization to fix the road. A motion was made by Commissioner Pizani, seconded by Commissioner Besson and unanimously agreed to hire DHF to fill pot holes in the main road for the quote of \$9,996.00. Mr. Danos stated they can start tomorrow to repair the road. Mr. Danos spoke about the electrical for the cameras at the Commercial Dock. A motion was made by Commissioner Pizani, seconded by Commissioner Besson and unanimously agreed to hire AAA Electric including material and labor for two services at the Commercial Dock for \$3,690.00. We have mailed out 4 oyster lease renewals. Mr. Danos made public testimony for the Corps, participated in a USCG Hazid Workshop, Pal Bod Meeting and La Cyber Security Maritime Committee. We also updated the La Boards and Commission Website.

A motion was made by Commissioner Besson, seconded by Commissioner Pizani, and unanimously agreed to approve the 2022 Compliance Audit Questionnaire.

The board agreed to table the request to be a sponsor of the upcoming Pal Conference.

A motion was made by Commissioner Besson, seconded by Commissioner Pizani, and unanimously agreed to adjourn the meeting at 1:11 p.m.

Bob Sevin, Commissioner
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Perry Chighizola, Secretary/Treasurer
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