

NATCHITOCHE PARISH PORT COMMISSION
March 18, 2019, Regular Meeting

Present were Nettles Brown, Ralph Ingram, Dan Simmons, William Allen 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, Mark A. Begnaud of McCoy Roberts & Begnaud, Ltd., legal counsel to the Commission and Neil Martin of Terral RiverService, Inc.

A motion was made by Mr. Simmons, seconded by Mr. Zachary, and duly carried to approve the minutes of the February 18, 2019, Commission meeting.

As part of the Director's Activity Report, Mr. Tyler reported: 1) the Port is up to 92,000 tons through February 2019, the majority of which is rock and wood chips. The tonnage report was available for review; 2) ADA is still running at a high level; 3) Custom Commodities has slowed slightly because of a planned maintenance shutdown by CLECO; 4) Matriculated called regarding potentially resuming operations at the Port; and 5) Terral has rubber chips stored on the wood chip pad.

Mr. Tyler further reported that: 1) he met with a prospect regarding potential transfer of containers of lumber at the Port. Terral is working with the prospect as well; 2) the Port is also working with a prospect regarding the potential transfer of coal; 3) Project "Anvil" has decided to locate elsewhere; 4) no further information on Project "Eagle". Landowners adjacent to the Northport Tract indicated a willingness to work with the Port to get this project, or others, moving forward; and 5) he spoke with the Fire District personnel regarding removal of equipment and it seems to be moving forward.

A motion was made by Mr. Allen seconded by Mr. Simmons and duly carried to accept the February 2019 Treasurer's Report, a copy of which was available for review. The Port ended the

month about even with funds expended versus received.

In Old Business, Mr. Tyler reported that: 1) he met with the Corps of Engineers regarding the 2015 Flood, specifically, the upper bendway closure; 2) there are no major changes regarding potential capital improvements; 3) the Port continues to work with construction law counsel regarding Dock #3; and 4) Biomass has provided a press release regarding its bonding approval.

Also, in Old Business, a motion was made by Mr. Simmons, seconded by Mr. Ingram and duly carried approving the Port's Accounting Policy and Procedure.

In New Business: 1) a Notice of Intention pursuant to La. R.S. 33:4717.2 was given to consider a Resolution to Approve Ground Lease with Terral RiverService, Inc. at the Port's meeting on April 15, 2019; and 2) the Port purchased a battery for one locomotive, but will require additional batteries and routine maintenance. Seven (7) new batteries will be needed at a total cost of \$5,716.43 from Crown Battery. A motion was made by Mr. Simmons, seconded by Mr. Ingram and duly carried approving the purchase the needed batteries and perform routine maintenance on the locomotives; 3) there was discussion regarding two potential lessees of the warehouse, which presented different terms; and 4) a Notice of Intention pursuant to La. R.S. 33:4717.2 was given to consider a Resolution to Approve a Warehouse Lease Agreement with Terral RiverService, Inc. at the Port's meeting on April 15, 2019.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Mr. Ingram, seconded by Mr. Zachary and duly carried that the meeting be adjourned.