PROCEEDINGS OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE MORGAN CITY HARBOR AND TERMINAL DISTRICT June 10, 2024

The Board of Commissioners ("Board") of the Morgan City Harbor and Terminal District ("District") met in regular session at the District's office at 7327 Highway 182, Morgan City, Louisiana on June 10, 2024 at 5:00 p.m. Ben Adams, Vice-President, convened the meeting with Commissioners, Deborah Garber, Joseph Cain, Steven Cornes, and Matthew Tycer in attendance. Pete Orlando, Matthew Glover, Adam Mayon and Troy Lombardo were absent. Also present in the meeting were Raymond Wade, Executive Director; Tori Henry, Office Manager; Michael Knobloch, Knobloch Professional Services; Gerard Bourgeois, Board Attorney; Lieutenant Jenelle Piche, United States Coast Guard ("USCG"); Robert Karam, T. Baker Smith; Bill Blanchard, GIS Engineering; Councilman Louis Tamporello, City of Morgan City; and members of the general public.

The meeting was called to order and the presence of a quorum was noted. Raymond Wade led the invocation, and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

It was moved by Mr. Tycer and seconded by Mr. Cornes that the minutes of the regular meeting of May 13, 2024 be approved and adopted, with said motion carrying unanimously.

It was moved by Mr. Mayon that the report of receipts and disbursements for the month of May, 2024 be received and accepted and that all invoices presented to the Board for the month of May, 2024 be paid. Mr. Glover seconded that motion, which carried unanimously.

Lieutenant Piche reported: (i) 2,109 total transits in May through the VTS zone; and (ii) active MSIB's for the area including the VTS area of the Atchafalaya River is currently in high-water restrictions; Bayou Boeuf Lock closures beginning today through July 3rd; ICY partial blockage in Amelia tomorrow; and Jadwin dredging in Stouts Pass through July 4th.

Raymond Wade reported on behalf of Tim Connell: (i) Dredge Jadwin will begin dredging in Stouts Pass next week and hoping to move to Berwick Harbor after; (ii) Brice continues to work the Bar Channel; and (iii) the new contract for Bayou Chene for full Project dimensions is scheduled to be awarded later this fall. He also reiterated we have the best channel we have ever had with blue water all the way to the sea buoy.

Charles Brittingham reported that: (i) Congress is just returning from recess and are currently working on the appropriations bill right now, with a goal to get bills passed and passed off the House floor prior to the August recess; and (ii) Energy and Appropriations is expected to be marked up on or around July 9th, but with \$16.5 million in the President's budget, he does not expect an increase.

Robert Karam reported that they received good guidance from the Corps and St. Mary Levee District on the West dock footprint and flood protection and are progressing with design based on that.

Bill Blanchard reported that: (i) the contract was approved by DOTD and fully executed; (ii) plans and specs were delivered to DOTD Thursday and Mr. Cornes moved to authorize advertisement, subject to FP&C approval, which was seconded by Mr. Tycer and carried unanimously; and (iii) they are still pursuing a permit for Disposal Area 1.

Michael Knobloch reported that: (i) plans and specs for the Warehouse Fire Suppression system were delivered to DOTD Thursday and Mr. Tycer moved to authorize advertisement, subject to FP&C approval, which was seconded by Mr. Cornes and carried unanimously; (ii) we did not receive capital outlay funding this year but will continue to pursue funding in the near future; (iii) we have received our funding from State of Louisiana Department of Transportation for port security operations and will be moving forward with that project; (iv) we have submitted our information to LAGOHSEP, as they will be the direct recipient for the EOC grant while we are the sub-recipient; and (v) we have received our draft copy of the FSP and will be submitting to the Captain of the Port for final approval. He also presented a table of projects and funding sources associated, in which he noted that of the \$49 million of projects, the Port is responsible for \$4.6 million (9.39%) as a local match and \$44 million (90.61%) is the state/federal shares. Mrs. Garber thanked him for providing this table and noted the importance of it.

Gerard Bourgeois: (i) an Audit Engagement Letter from Darnall, Sikes, Gardes & Frederick for services due to Statewide Agreed Upon Procedures (SAUP). Mr. Tycer moved to authorize Darnall, Sikes, Gardes & Frederick to perform said services, which was seconded by Mrs. Garber and carried unanimously.

Mr. Bourgeois also reported that: (iv) the Board is required to select an official journal annually. Mr. Tycer moved that the following resolution be adopted, designating the Morgan City Review as its official Journal, which was seconded by Mr. Cornes and carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION

A Resolution designating the Morgan City Review as the official journal of the Morgan City Harbor and Terminal District

WHEREAS, Louisiana Revised Statute 43:171 requires the Morgan City Harbor and Terminal District to designate an official journal for publications of the proceedings of its board and such financial statements required by and furnished to the legislative auditor.

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the Morgan City Harbor and Terminal District ("District") finds that the Morgan City Review, a newspaper in Morgan City, meets all the requirements for its designation as the official journal of the District.

Accordingly,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Morgan City Review, a newspaper being published in Morgan City, Louisiana, is designated and selected as the official journal of the District.

With there being no further business to come before the Board, it was moved by Mr. Cornes and seconded by Mr. Tycer that the meeting was adjourned.

Attest:

Steven W. Cornes, Secretary