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CADDO-BOSSIER PARISHES PORT COMMISSION
Special Board Meeting
Regional Commerce Center, Steering Room
6000 Doug Attaway Blvd., Shreveport, LA 71115
December 13, 2021 at 3:45 p.m.

- 1. CALL TO ORDER / OPENING REMARKS:** Commission President Roy Griggs called the meeting to order at approximately 3:45 p.m. in the Steering Room of the Regional Commerce Center, 6000 Doug Attaway Blvd., Shreveport, Louisiana and welcomed everyone.
- 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Commissioner Walter O. Bigby, Jr. led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 3. ROLL CALL:** The roll was called by Executive Port Director Eric England. Commissioners in attendance included: Roy Griggs, Walter O. Bigby, Jr., William R. "Bill" Altimus, Sam N. Gregorio, James D. Hall, and Rick C. Prescott. Capt. Thomas F. Murphy (Ret.) joined the meeting at 4:03 p.m. after the roll was called. Absent: Erica R. Bryant and Joshua K. Williams. A quorum was present.
- 4. INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS:** John Barr, Office of U.S. Senator John Kennedy; Stephanie McKenzie, Office of U.S. Senator Bill Cassidy; Marcus Taylor, Burk-Kleinpeter, Inc.; Lt. Richard Jennings, CPSO; Ed Walsh, RP Agency; Port Staff: Eric England, Danye Malone, Zazell Dudley, Kathy French, Rick Nance, Tyler Comeaux, Layne Chenevert, and Amanda Bailey.
- 5. PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS:** Commissioner Griggs asked if there are any public comments on agenda items. Hearing none, he moved on to the next agenda item.
- 6. IN ACCORDANCE WITH LA. R.S. 34:3159 (B)(2): UPDATE ON PROJECTS AFFECTING ADJACENT LANDOWNERS:** Mr. England stated as a result of the amendments to the Port's enabling legislation enacted during this year's legislative session, annual updates will need to be provided on expansion projects to any landowners with property adjacent to Port-owned property. This meeting is being held for that purpose. In 1980, the Port began to acquire property on the east side of Highway 1 and the Port currently holds approximately 2,000 acres. In 2012, Benteler Steel located to a large 300-acre site, it was clear the Port needed to acquire additional land for "mega sites" in order to accommodate larger prospects. Therefore, the Port looked to the west side of Highway 1 and has recently acquired an additional 2,000 acres.

Sunny Point Aggregates: The Port is negotiating a lease with Sunny Point Aggregates for a site of approximately 40 acres located on the east side of Highway 1. Sunny Point Aggregates will construct a facility and bore the river in three places to mine 60 million cubic yards of sand from the Red River. Sunny Point's operations will entail dredging the Red River, processing the sand at the facility, and trucking the sand to various local markets.

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MEMBERS: Roy Griggs, President; Walter O. Bigby Jr., Vice President; Bill Altimus, Secretary Treasurer;
Erica R. Bryant; Sam N. Gregorio; James D. Hall; Capt. Thomas F. Murphy; Rick C. Prescott; Joshua K. Williams

Red River Toll Bridge: Recent extensive meetings have been held with the developer for the Red River Toll Bridge. The proposed bridge will have legs on the north and south to eventually tie into Arthur Ray Teague Parkway. This new bridge will have a positive impact on the Port's industrial tenants to allow expansion of their customer base, including Sunny Point Aggregates. Recent options discussed for the Toll Bridge also include increasing the slope of Highway 1 to match the elevation of the levy, creating an embankment, and constructing a round-about for vehicular traffic traveling north.

Bia Energy Corporation: Bia Energy Corporation has selected the Port's 80- acre Tensas Delta tract to construct a facility to produce methanol. Bia Energy was awarded its environmental permit and is working on finalizing its financing plan for the estimated \$900 million project. Bia will utilize the Port's existing down river berth "liquid products" dock via a servitude to carry the product from the river to its site. It is estimated once construction is finalized and production begins, Bia will bring in one barge of finished product per day. This will have a massive impact on the region and the river barge traffic, making Bia Energy the largest shipper of liquid product in operation on the Red River. An open line of communication with the adjacent landowners to the Tensas Delta tract has been maintained and their concerns have been addressed with Bia Energy.

I-69 and I-69 Service Road: The I-69 corridor plan will tie into I-20 and I-49. Currently, the I-69 service road plan is still in the process of study and development. This plan includes marshalling funding from Desoto Parish, Bossier Parish, Caddo Parish, COG, the State, and the Port. The proposed I-69 route will come through the Port's newly acquired property on the west side of Highway 1.

Master Plan Presentation: Director of Engineering, Rick Nance, presented a draft document of a master plan for future development of the Port's 2,000 acres on the west side of Highway 1. This master plan was created by Burk-Kleinpeter, Inc. and provides for the development of water, sewer, roads, and rail for these tracts. The master plan is approximately 95% done and breaks down the construction into phases to work towards completion. The 2022 budget includes the first 2,000 feet of rail for the initial phase.

7. ADJOURN: Hearing no other comments or questions to come from the Board, Commissioner Griggs adjourned the meeting at approximately 4:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ William "Bill" Altimus

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Secretary-Treasurer

UPCOMING MEETING:
Regular Board Meeting, Monday, January 10, 2022, 4:30 p.m.
Regional Commerce Center, 2nd Floor Steering Room, 6000 Doug Attaway Blvd.
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