

**CALHOUN PORT AUTHORITY
SPECIAL MEETING
March 25, 2019**

A special meeting of the Calhoun Port Authority was held on Monday, March 25, 2019 at 4:30 p.m. in the Calhoun Port Authority Board Room, Calhoun Port Authority Office, Point Comfort, Texas.

Board Members attending were:

Commissioner # 1 – Tony Holladay
Commissioner # 2 – Dell R. Weathersby
Commissioner # 3 – J. C. Melcher, Jr.
Commissioner # 4 – Randy L. Boyd
Commissioner # 5 – Johnny Perez
Commissioner # 6 – H. C. Wehmeyer, Jr.

Staff Members present were:

Charles R. Hausmann – Port Director
Forrest Hawes – Deputy Port Director
David Knuckey – Engineering Director
David Roberts - Roberts, Odefey, Witte & Wall

Others Present were:

Bill Cobb – Cobb & Counsel
Debra Boyd
Pam Lundin
Charles Dowell
Evan Lewis – The *Victoria Advocate*
Anne Marie Odefey -Robert, Odefey, Witte & Wall
Carl Bond
John Griffin
Roger Hochgraber
Luis DeLaGarza
D.D. Turner – The *Wave*
Jessica Priest – The *Victoria Advocate*

Agenda Item No. 1: Call to order.

Board Chair Randy L. Boyd called the Special Meeting to order at approximately 4:30 p.m. He announced that the agenda of the meeting was posted in accordance with the provisions of the Texas Open Meetings Act.

Agenda Item No. 2: Review and Consideration of Victoria Advocate's formal offer to settle Cause No. 2018-CV-3354-DC, Victoria Advocate Publishing Co. v. Calhoun Port Authority; In the District Court of Calhoun County, Texas; 135th Judicial District.

Attorney Bill Cobb of Cobb & Counsel informed the Board of a formal settlement offer which was made in a public forum by Mr. Chris Cobler, Editor of the *Victoria Advocate*. The settlement offer had two components; the first being that the Calhoun Port Authority admit that they violated the Texas Open Meetings Act regarding the agenda posting regarding the hiring of the legislative liaison. The second component was that the Calhoun Port Authority pay the *Victoria Advocate's* legal bills regarding this case in the amount of \$95,060.93. Pursuant to further review and discussion, a motion was made by Board Member Tony Holladay to refuse the offer of settlement. The motion was seconded by Board Secretary H. C. Wehmeyer, Jr. and by a vote of a show of hands, the motion carried unanimously.

Agenda Item No. 3: Adjourn.

There being no further business to be brought before the Board, a motion was duly made that the meeting be declared adjourned at 4:35 p.m. on Monday, March 25, 2019.

 4/10/19

Randy L. Boyd, Board Chair

ATTEST:

H. C. Wehmeyer, Jr., Board Secretary