

**CALHOUN PORT AUTHORITY
REGULAR MEETING
February 14, 2024**

A regular meeting of the Calhoun Port Authority was held on Wednesday, February 14, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. in the Calhoun Port Authority Board Room, Calhoun Port Authority Office, Point Comfort, Texas

Board Members attending in person or via telephone were:

Commissioner # 1 – Marty Strakos
Commissioner # 2 – Jay Cuellar
Commissioner # 3 – Justin Weaver
Commissioner # 4 – Luis De La Garza
Commissioner # 5 – Johnny Perez
Commissioner # 6 – Dan Krueger

Staff Members attending were:

Charles R. Hausmann – Port Director
Forrest Hawes – Deputy Port Director
Alan Sanders –McLeod, Alexander, Powel & Apffel, PC
Felicia Harral – Director of Engineering
Miranda Malek – Manager of Administration

Others attending were:

Allan Berger – San Antonio Bay Partnership
Jason Boyd – Calhoun County Sheriff Candidate
Janet Weaver – Matagorda Bay Foundation
Raymond Butler – Matagorda Bay Foundation
J. P. Strickland - Alcoa
Tony Bolton – TGLO
Jack Wu – Formosa Plastics
Steve Marwitz
DD Turner – *The Wave* via telephone

Agenda Item No. 1: Call to Order:

Board Chairman Johnny Perez called the Regular Meeting to order at approximately 9:00 a.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: Safety Briefing, Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation.

All attendees of the meeting were briefed on the location of life saving devices and the closest assembly point in the event of a Shelter in Place incident. The Pledge of Allegiance, The Texas Pledge - was led by Board Member Dan Krueger and a prayer was led by Board Secretary Luis De La Garza.

Agenda Item No. 3: Public Comment Written or Oral.

Mr. Jason Boyd addressed the board regarding his candidacy for Calhoun County Sheriff. Mr. Raymond Butler addressed the board regarding the Matagorda Ship Channel Improvement Project.

Agenda Item No. 4: Approve the minutes of the Wednesday, January 10, 2024 Regular Meeting.

The Board Members reviewed the minutes from the Wednesday, January 10, 2024 Regular Meeting. Pursuant to further review and discussion, a motion was made by Board Secretary Luis De La Garza to approve the minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Board Member Jay Cuellar and the motion carried unanimously.

Agenda Item No. 5: Review of Financial Reports: All Funds.

Deputy Port Director Forrest Hawes presented the following financial information to the Board Members for Review:

Fund Balance Report as of January 31, 2024:

- 1.) Accounts Receivable Report as of January 31, 2024
- 2.) Mr. Hawes reported to the Board Members that the accounts receivable report specified that the accounts receivable was 85% current as of January 31, 2024.

Agenda Item No. 6: Approval of Disbursements and Transfers: All Funds

The Board Members reviewed the February 14, 2024 Port Operations Account disbursements. Pursuant to review, a motion was made by Board Member Dan Krueger to approve disbursements and the corresponding transfers for February 14, 2024. The motion was seconded by Board Secretary Luis De La Garza and the motion carried that the disbursements and the corresponding transfers be approved.

TRANSFER NO.	FUND ACCOUNT	AMOUNT
	GROSS REVENUE FUND	
	To Port Operations Fund	\$87,038.88
	To Port Operations Fund	\$76,707.25
	To Port Operations Fund	\$453,760.17
	Total	\$617,506.30
	MAINTENANCE & OPERATIONS FUND	
	To Port Operations Fund	
	Total	
	BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT FUND	
	To Port Operations Fund	\$2,848.44
	Total	\$2,848.44
	AN/NH3 OPERATING FUND	
	To Port Operations Fund	

Total

TOTAL TRANSFERS TO PORT OPERATIONS ACCOUNT

\$620,354.74

Agenda Item No. 7: Reports: Port Director, Engineer & Committees.

Charles R. Hausmann, Port Director, reported the following:

A. Harbor Traffic Statistics for the month:

That a total of 66 vessels had arrived at the public port facilities during the month of January; 18 deep draft arrivals and 48 inland barges and a total of 178 invoices were issued. Further, that 15 deep draft vessels were already on schedule for February arrival.

Total revenue tons for the month of January were 366,385.2 short tons. Total throughput for fiscal year 2024 was 2,808,209.3 short tons.

B. Max loaded out 2 barges of crude oil totaling 6,979.2 short tons.

C. Harvest loaded out 4 barges of crude oil totaling 10,876.2 short tons.

D. NGL loaded out 2 barges of crude oil totaling 8,417.9 short tons.

E. Port Maintenance continued to work on electrical repairs to the cathodic protection system, continued installing new lighting and continued to do their weekly inspections of port equipment.

Felicia Herral, Port Engineer, reported the following:

A. Matagorda Ship Channel Improvement Project updates for December included PED updates, Pipeline relocation updates, Geotechnical Sampling, Environmental Sampling, Cultural Survey (Archeology) & Environmental Survey (Oyster).

B. Matagorda Ship Channel, FY 2021 Maintenance Dredging update.

C. North Peninsula Projects road & parking improvements, boat ramp & gate 3 access.

D. South Peninsula Development Project updates included Bean Tract Wetlands Creation Project - South Peninsula Development & Mitigation Plan updates.

E. Other Port Project Updates included AN Vapor Combustion Unit Replacement Project, GCD Gangway Project, GCD Fender Replacement, Cathodic Protection System, Max Energy Carbon Project and Various Port Infrastructure projects.

Agenda Item No. 8: Review and Consideration of Approval of Board Members Committee Attendance, Committee Travel Requests.

No action was taken on this agenda item.

Agenda Item No. 9: Review and Consideration of Authorizing Charles Hausmann, Port Director as the Authorized and Designated Port Representative to take all Necessary steps needed for all Instruments, Documents, Agreements, etc. for the TXDOT Maritime Infrastructure Program.

The Board Members reviewed a copy of a resolution that was required by TXDOT for the Maritime Infrastructure Program to receive funds approved by the Texas Transportation Commission on September 28, 2023. The resolution gave the Port Director the authority to sign all documents related to the Maritime Infrastructure Program in which the Port was awarded \$1,017,075.00 for the Boat Ramp Access Improvement Project with the Port's 25% share being \$339,000.00. Pursuant to further review and discussion, a motion was made by Board Member Jay Cuellar to approve the authorization of Charles

Hausmann, Port Director as the Authorized and Designated Port Representative to take all necessary steps needed for all instruments, documents, agreements, etc. for the TXDOT maritime Infrastructure Program. The motion was seconded by Board Secretary Luis De La Garza and the motion carried unanimously.

Agenda Item 10: Closed Session: As Authorized by and subject to the applicable provisions of law, including but not limited to the Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, Open Meetings Act, the following topics may be considered in Closed Session:

Section 551.071 – Attorney Consultation

Section 551-072 – Real Property Transactions

Section 551.087 – Economic Development Negotiations

Board Chair Johnny Perez announced that As Authorized by and subject to the applicable provisions of law, including but not limited to the Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, Open Meetings Act, the following topics may be considered in Closed Session:

Section 551.071 – Attorney Consultation

Section 551-072 – Real Property Transactions

Section 551.087 – Economic Development Negotiations

“No action or consensus would be taken in closed session”. The Board convened in Closed Session at 9:38 a.m.

Agenda Item No. 11: Return to Open Session and take any action deemed necessary based on discussion in Closed Session.

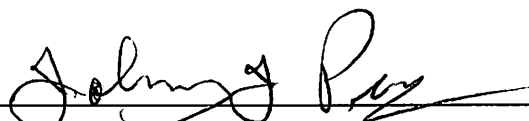
The Board adjourned the Closed Session at 10:54 a.m. Board Chair Johnny Perez announced that “No action or consensus had been taken in closed session”.

Agenda Item No. 12: Receive Chief Executive and Commissioners Comments.

No action was taken on this agenda item.


Agenda Item No. 13: Adjourn.

There being no further business to be brought before the Board, a motion was duly made that the meeting be declared adjourned at approximately 10:54 a.m. on Wednesday, February 14, 2024.



Johnny Perez, Board Chair

ATTEST:



Luis De La Garza, Board Secretary