

AMERICA'S CENTRAL PORT DISTRICT - MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING
July 8, 2024

The regular monthly meeting of the America's Central Port District Board was held at the Port District offices on July 8, 2024 at 11:45 AM.

Roll call:

Lisa Brown	Present
Tyrone Echols	Present
David Goins	Present
John Hamm III	Absent
Mike Nordstrom	Present
Steve Signall	Present
Ed Hagnauer	Absent

In addition to the Members listed above, Dennis Wilmsmeyer, Robbie Williams, Christian Tresoldi, Phil Sholl, Christie Voelker, Shawn Ward, Ben McCall and Bill Stahlman, Port Engineer, of Port Staff; and Derek Filcoff, as legal counsel were also in attendance.

In the absence of Chairman Hagnauer, Ms. Brown moved that Tyrone Echols be elected Chairman Pro-Tem for the Meeting. Mr. Nordstrom seconded and, with all Members present and voting Aye, Tyrone Echols was elected Chairman Pro-Tem for the July 8, 2024 meeting.

Chairman Pro-Tem Echols asked for any Public Comment. Hearing none, he asked for the approval of the Minutes of the June 10, 2024 Board Meeting. Mr. Goins moved that the Minutes be approved. Mr. Nordstrom seconded. Roll call:

Voting Aye - Brown
Echols
Goins
Nordstrom
Signall

Voting Nay - None

Chairman Pro-Tem declared motion passed and Minutes approved.

Mr. Goins moved that the Financials be approved and placed on file. Mr. Nordstrom seconded. Roll call:

Voting Aye - Brown
Echols
Goins
Nordstrom
Signall

Voting Nay - None

Chairman declared motion passed and Financials approved.

Resolution was presented, entitled “A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE BINDING OF EMPLOYEE BENEFITS INSURANCE FOR AMERICA’S CENTRAL PORT DISTRICT.”

Mr. Nordstrom moved inasmuch as the Resolution as now presented has been previously circulated in written form to and received by all of the Members of the Board, that the reading of said Resolution be waived and that same be adopted in the written form as now presented. Ms. Brown seconded. Roll call:

Voting Aye - Brown
 Echols
 Goins
 Nordstrom
 Signall

Voting Nay - None

Chairman declared motion passed and Resolution approved.

Resolution was presented, entitled “A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE SETTLEMENT OF BILLING FOR CERTAIN TRACKAGE USE SERVICES PERFORMED AT AMERICA’S CENTRAL PORT.” Dennis Wilmsmeyer, Executive Director, informed the Members that the Port’s intern, Christian Tresoldi, was instrumental in providing substantial evidence as to the amount the Port owed NS and thereby bringing the issue to a close and getting this settlement agreement. The Members congratulated Mr. Tresoldi on a job well done. Ms. Brown moved inasmuch as the Resolution as now presented has been previously circulated in written form to and received by all of the Members of the Board, that the reading of said Resolution be waived and that same be adopted in the written form as now presented. Mr. Signall seconded. Roll call:

Voting Aye - Brown
 Echols
 Goins
 Nordstrom
 Signall

Voting Nay - None

Chairman declared motion passed and Resolution approved.

Resolution was presented, entitled “A RESOLUTION APPROVING AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO THE AUGUST 14, 2023, LEASE AGREEMENT AND RELEASE OF LEASE TO THE DECEMBER 14, 2020, LEASE AGREEMENT WITH AZTEC INTERIOR DESIGN CO.” Mr. Goins moved inasmuch as the Resolution as now presented has been previously circulated in written form to and received by all of the Members of the Board, that the reading of said Resolution be waived and that same be adopted in the written form as now presented. Mr. Signall seconded. Roll call:

Voting Aye - Brown
 Echols

Goins
Nordstrom
Signall

Voting Nay - None

Chairman declared motion passed and Resolution approved.

Resolution was presented, entitled “A RESOLUTION APPROVING AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO THE LEASE AGREEMENT, DATED DECEMBER 13, 2021, BETWEEN AMERICA'S CENTRAL PORT DISTRICT AND CELTA CHEMICAL, INC.” Ms. Brown moved inasmuch as the Resolution as now presented has been previously circulated in written form to and received by all of the Members of the Board, that the reading of said Resolution be waived and that same be adopted in the written form as now presented. Mr. Nordstrom seconded. Roll call:

Voting Aye - Brown
Echols
Goins
Nordstrom
Signall

Voting Nay - None

Chairman declared motion passed and Resolution approved.

Resolution was presented, entitled “A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE LOWEST RESPONSIBLE BIDDER AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF THE CONTRACT DOCUMENTS FOR THE P22-RAIL-02 (IDOT HILL TRACK) PROJECT.” Mr. Signall moved inasmuch as the Resolution as now presented has been previously circulated in written form to and received by all of the Members of the Board, that the reading of said Resolution be waived and that same be adopted in the written form as now presented. Mr. Nordstrom seconded. Roll call:

Voting Aye - Brown
Echols
Goins
Nordstrom
Signall

Voting Nay - None

Chairman declared motion passed and Resolution approved.

Resolution was presented, entitled “A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE LOWEST RESPONSIBLE BIDDER AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF THE CONTRACT DOCUMENTS FOR THE P24-BLDG-04 (Building 100 HVAC Gas Hook-Up).” Ms. Brown moved inasmuch as the Resolution as now presented has been previously circulated in written form to and received by all of the Members of the Board, that the reading of said Resolution be waived and that same be adopted in the written form as now presented. Mr. Goins seconded. Roll

call:

Voting Aye - Brown
Echols
Goins
Nordstrom
Signall

Voting Nay - None

Chairman declared motion passed and Resolution approved.

Bill Stahlman, Port Engineer, presented the Engineer's Report and stated he would answer any questions the Members might have. There being none, Mr. Goins moved that the Engineer's Report be accepted and placed on file. Mr. Nordstrom seconded. Roll call:

Voting Aye - Brown
Echols
Goins
Nordstrom
Signall

Voting Nay - None

Chairman declared motion passed and approved.

Deputy Director, Ben McCall, presented the Business Report. Mr. Goins moved that the Business Report be accepted and placed on file. Ms. Brown seconded. Roll call:

Voting Aye - Brown
Echols
Goins
Nordstrom
Signall

Voting Nay - None

Chairman declared motion passed and approved.

Mr. Signall moved that the pre-approved rotation of officers for the office of Chairman and Secretary, placing David Goins as Chairman and John Hamm as Secretary, be implemented. Ms. Brown seconded. Roll call:

Voting Aye - Brown
Echols
Goins
Nordstrom
Signall

Voting Nay - None

Chairman Pro-Tem Echols declared motion passed and Chairman and Secretary duly elected for the ensuing year.

Mr. Echols nominated Lisa Brown for the office of Treasurer for the ensuing year. Mr. Nordstrom seconded. Chairman Pro-Tem asked for any other nominations, of which there were none. Mr. Echols moved that the nominations be closed and moved that Ms. Brown be elected Treasurer for the ensuing year. Mr. Nordstrom seconded. Roll call:

Voting Aye - Brown
Echols
Goins
Nordstrom
Signall

Voting Nay - None

Chairman Pro-Tem Echols declared motion passed and Treasurer duly elected for the ensuing year.

With the conclusion of the election of officers, Mr. Wilmsmeyer stated that the Chairman would normally hand over the gavel at this moment to the newly elected Chairman; however, we would then need to elect a Secretary Pro-Tem for the remainder of the Meeting. It was decided to allow Chairman Pro-Tem Echols to conduct the remainder of the Meeting.

Ms. Brown moved that Dennis Wilmsmeyer be appointed as Executive Director for the ensuing year. Mr. Nordstrom seconded. Roll call:

Voting Aye - Brown
Echols
Goins
Nordstrom
Signall

Voting Nay - None

Chairman declared motion passed and approved.

Mr. Nordstrom moved that Derek Filcoff be appointed Port attorney for the ensuing year. Mr. Goins seconded. Roll call:

Voting Aye - Brown
Echols
Goins
Nordstrom
Signall

Voting Nay - None

Chairman declared motion passed and approved.

Mr. Goins moved that Bill Stahlman be appointed Port Engineer for the ensuing year. Mr. Nordstrom seconded. Roll call:

Voting Aye - Brown
Echols
Goins
Nordstrom
Signall

Voting Nay - None

Chairman declared motion passed and approved.

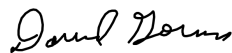
Mr. Wilmsmeyer informed the Members that the Port was awarded a RAISE Planning Grant for \$550,000 to devise a plan to connect the Granite City Harbor with the Madison Harbor.

Mr. Wilmsmeyer also informed the Members that the Port had completed its second “Build Your Future” workshop with youth from the area. Eight students attended the week-long workshop with the Port’s maintenance staff. One of the students, who has already graduated from high school, indicated his interest in working at the Port and will be starting as a new employee over the next couple of weeks.

Shawn Ward, Commercial Property Manager, stated the Port will be hosting another Food Truck Friday on July 26 from 11:00 AM to 1:30 PM. Heaterz Hot Chicken and The Sweet Side will be selling their specialty hot chicken dishes and sweet treats.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Ms. Brown moved that the Meeting be adjourned. Mr. Nordstrom seconded and, with all Members present and voting Aye, Chairman declared motion passed and meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,



David Goins
Secretary