

AMERICA'S CENTRAL PORT DISTRICT – MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING

January 11, 2021

The regular monthly meeting of the America's Central Port District Board was held, in person, in Suite 300 at the Port District offices on January 11, 2021 at 11:45 AM. Provisions were made for social distancing.

Roll call:

Tyrone Echols	Present via telephone
Ed Hagnauer	Present via telephone
John Hamm III	Present
Robert Palus	Present
Steve Signall	Present
Brant Walker	Present
Tom Thompson	Present

In addition to the Members listed above, also in attendance were Dennis Wilmsmeyer, Robbie Williams, Frank Papa, Ben McCall and Bill Stahlman, Port Engineer, of Port Staff; Derek Filcoff, as legal counsel; and Jim Nold of Hurst Rosche Engineers.

Chairman Thompson asked for Public Comment. Hearing none, he asked for the approval of the Minutes of the December 14, 2020 Board Meeting. Mr. Hamm moved that the Minutes be approved. Mr. Palus seconded. Roll call:

Voting Aye - Echols  
Hagnauer  
Hamm  
Palus  
Signall  
Walker  
Thompson

Chairman declared the motion passed and Minutes approved.

Mr. Palus moved that the Financial reports be approved. Mr. Signall seconded. Roll call:

Voting Aye - Echols  
Hagnauer  
Palus  
Signall  
Walker  
Thompson

Present - Hamm

Voting Nay - None

Chairman declared motion passed and approved.

Executive Director, Dennis Wilmsmeyer, apologized to the Members for delaying the Port Planning Grant project and its award. With a number of grants being awarded, implementation of their requirements, and the urgency of the projects, the Port Planning Grant project inadvertently was delayed. The project was solicited and several proposals were received, however, Mr. Wilmsmeyer informed the Members that he has not even reviewed the proposals received. He inquired if there were any Members willing to review proposals and discuss the findings with staff with the intention of bringing a recommendation for award to the February meeting. Mr. Hamm, Mr. Hagnauer and Mr. Palus showed interest in reviewing the proposals. Mr. Wilmsmeyer stated he would get copies of the documentation to them after the meeting.

Resolution was presented, entitled "A RESOLUTION APPROVING AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO THE LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN AMERICA'S CENTRAL PORT DISTRICT AND ARIZON COMPANY." 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. Walker seconded. Roll call:

Voting Aye - Echols  
Hagnauer  
Hamm  
Palus  
Signall  
Walker  
Thompson

Voting Nay - None

Chairman declared motion passed and approved.

Resolution was presented, entitled "A RESOLUTION APPROVING A LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN AMERICA'S CENTRAL PORT DISTRICT AND KREKOVICH PAINTING." 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. Walker seconded. Roll call:

Voting Aye - Echols  
Hagnauer  
Hamm  
Palus  
Signall  
Walker

Thompson

Voting Nay - None

Chairman declared motion passed and approved.

Resolution was presented, entitled "A RESOLUTION APPROVING A LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN AMERICA'S CENTRAL PORT DISTRICT AND SCF TERMINALS." The Resolution is for Open Shed No. 569, Suite B. 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. Walker seconded. Roll call:

Voting Aye - Echols  
Hagnauer  
Hamm  
Palus  
Signall  
Walker  
Thompson

Voting Nay - None

Chairman declared motion passed and approved.

Resolution was presented, entitled "A RESOLUTION APPROVING A LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN AMERICA'S CENTRAL PORT DISTRICT AND SCF TERMINALS." The Resolution is for Open Shed No. 569, Suite E. 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. Hamm seconded. Roll call:

Voting Aye - Echols  
Hagnauer  
Hamm  
Palus  
Signall  
Walker  
Thompson

Voting Nay - None

Chairman declared motion passed and approved.

Resolution was presented, entitled "A RESOLUTION APPROVING A TEMPORARY WORK AREA EASEMENT WITH THE METRO EAST SANITARY DISTRICT FOR PLANNED

LEVEE IMPROVEMENTS AT AMERICA’S CENTRAL PORT DISTRICT.” Mr. Hagnauer inquired if there were any buildings at risk of flooding caused by the installation of the relief wells in the event of a flood event. Staff stated the work does not present an additional flood risk to the Port’s buildings at the present time. 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. Palus seconded. Roll call:

Voting Aye - Echols  
Hagnauer  
Hamm  
Palus  
Signall  
Walker  
Thompson

Voting Nay - None

Chairman declared motion passed and approved.

Resolution was presented, entitled “A RESOLUTION APPROVING A RAIL TRACK MAINTENANCE REIMBURSEMENT ALLOWANCE BETWEEN AMERICA’S CENTRAL PORT DISTRICT AND PORT HARBOR RAILROAD.” Mr. Palus 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. Thompson seconded. Roll call:

Voting Aye - Echols  
Hagnauer  
Hamm  
Palus  
Signall  
Walker  
Thompson

Voting Nay - None

Chairman declared motion passed and approved.

Port Engineer, Bill Stahlman gave a brief summary of the Engineer’s Report including an update on the FEMA projects. He noted that the A Lead rail project is progressing well and nearing completion.

Deputy Director, Ben McCall, presented the Business Report as a new and updated look to all business activity at the Port instead of only focusing on the commercial leasing as was previously reported in the Sales Manager’s report.

Mr. Hagnauer inquired about the Granite City Police Department's request for the Port to fund one or more camera purchases for the License Plate Reader project, and asked that staff follow-up with Granite City police chief.

Mr. Wilmsmeyer informed the Members that the paperwork has been received for the American Marine Highway Grant.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Tyrone Echols  
Secretary