

AMERICA'S CENTRAL PORT DISTRICT - MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING
September 9, 2024

The regular monthly meeting of the America's Central Port District Board was held at the Port District offices on September 9, 2024 at 11:45 AM.

Roll call:

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

In addition to the Members listed above, Dennis Wilmsmeyer, Ben McCall, Bill Stahlman, Tim Giger, Christie Voelker, Phil Sholl and Alex Burkart, of Port Staff; Derek Filcoff, as legal counsel; and Aaron Gold-Stein, Kaitlyn Mitchum and Brian McCoy (all from the Illinois Department of Transportation) were also in attendance.

In the absence of Secretary Hamm, Mr. Hagnauer moved that Mike Nordstrom be elected Secretary Pro-Tem for the Meeting. Mr. Echols seconded and, with all Members present voting Aye, Mike Nordstrom was elected Secretary Pro-Tem for the meeting.

Chairman Goins asked for any Public Comment. There being none, Chairman Goins asked that Mr. Hagnauer step forward to receive recognition for his year of service as Chairman to the Port Board for the 2024 Fiscal Year that ended on June 30, 2024. Chairman Goins presented Mr. Hagnauer with a plaque and thanked him for his service as Chairman. Mr. Hagnauer complimented the staff for the job it continues to do.

Chairman asked for the approval of the Minutes of the August 12, 2024 Board Meeting. Mr. Echols moved that the Minutes be approved. Mr. Nordstrom seconded and, with all Members present voting Aye, Chairman declared motion passed and Minutes approved.

Ms. Brown moved that the Financials be approved and placed on file. Mr. Echols seconded.
Roll call:

Voting Aye - Brown
Echols
Hagnauer
Nordstrom
Goins

Voting Nay - None

Chairman declared motion passed and Financials approved.

Chairman asked for consideration of moving the next two regularly scheduled Board meeting dates to accommodate holidays in October and November 2024. Mr. Echols moved that the October 2024 Port Board meeting date be moved to Tuesday, October 15 due to Columbus Day, and the November 2024 Port Board meeting date be moved to Tuesday, November 12 due to Veterans' Day. Mr. Nordstrom seconded.

Voting Aye - Brown
Echols
Hagnauer
Nordstrom
Goins

Voting Nay - None

Chairman declared motion passed and upcoming Board meeting dates changed.

Resolution was presented, entitled "RESOLUTION APPROVING LEASE AGREEMENT WITH EHRHARDT TOOL & MACHINE FOR BLDG. 331." Mr. Hagnauer 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
Hagnauer
Nordstrom
Goins

Voting Nay - None

Chairman declared motion passed and Resolution approved.

Resolution was presented, entitled "RESOLUTION TO DECLARE AS SURPLUS AND SELL OR OTHERWISE DISPOSE OF CERTAIN PERSONAL PROPERTY." Mr. Echols 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
Hagnauer
Nordstrom
Goins

Voting Nay - None

Chairman declared motion passed and Resolution approved.

Resolution was presented, entitled “RESOLUTION APPROVING AGREEMENT WITH KRECH OJARD FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE IDOT MADISON HARBOR SEDIMENTATION IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT.” Mr. Echols 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. Hagnauer seconded. Roll call:

Voting Aye - Brown
Echols
Hagnauer
Nordstrom
Goins

Voting Nay - None

Chairman declared motion passed and Resolution approved.

Resolution was presented, entitled “RESOLUTION APPROVING AGREEMENT WITH KRECH OJARD TO PROVIDE CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE EDA MADISON HARBOR GRAIN STORAGE PROJECT.” Mr. Echols 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
Hagnauer
Nordstrom
Goins

Voting Nay - None

Chairman declared motion passed and Resolution approved.

Resolution was presented, entitled “RESOLUTION APPROVING AGREEMENT WITH DESIGN NINE TO PROVIDE CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE IDOT REBUILDING ILLINOIS PROJECT LOCATED AT THE GRANITE CITY HARBOR HILL TRACK.” Mr. Echols 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
Hagnauer
Nordstrom
Goins

Voting Nay - None

Chairman declared motion passed and Resolution approved.

Port Engineer, Bill Stahlman, gave a brief overview of the Engineer's Report. He stated that one component of the BUILD project for the East St. Louis Terminal had a bid opening scheduled for September 3rd, but no bids were received. The Port received an email bid following the bid opening time, which was deemed as non-responsive. Staff intends to re-tailor the bid documents, re-advertise and hopefully bring a successful bidder to the Board for approval next month. Mr. Hagnauer moved that the Engineer's Report be accepted and placed on file. Ms. Brown seconded, and with all Members present voting Aye, the Report was approved.

Deputy Director, Ben McCall, gave a brief overview of the Business Report. He stated that throughput and switching revenues have remained consistent. One tenant, Express Chem, has gone into holdover status on their lease despite Staff efforts to bring a new lease to the Board. Staff also is working on a 10-year lease with another warehouse tenant. Mr. Echols moved that the Business Report be accepted and placed on file. Mr. Nordstrom seconded, and with all Members present voting Aye, the Report was approved.

Chairman declared motion passed and approved.

Mr. McCall informed the Members that there have been some employment changes in the past month: Kameron Watts began as a Laborer, and Chris Fuller started today as a Maintenance Technician. A second Maintenance Technician has been hired and is expected to start within the next two weeks. The latter two hires are in advance of two pending retirements this Fall. Additionally, a Contracts Administrator position for the Engineering Department will be advertised, and Staff will participate in a Veterans Job Fair this Friday in an effort to attract additional, qualified applicants. Mr. Wilmsmeyer informed the Board that the Port Christmas Party will be on Thursday, December 12th at the Post Commons in Alton. More details to follow.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Mr. Echols moved that the Meeting be adjourned. Ms. Brown seconded and, with all Members present and voting Aye, Chairman declared motion passed and meeting adjourned at 12:06 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Michael Nordstrom
Secretary Pro-Tem