

STATE OF TEXAS }
COUNTY OF WILLACY }

THE BOARD OF NAVIGATION AND CANAL COMMISSIONERS OF THE WILLACY COUNTY NAVIGATION DISTRICT met in Regular Session Wednesday, July 19, 2023 at 9:00 A.M., 400 W. Hidalgo, Ste 200, Raymondville, TX with the following members present:

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:	CHAD KINNEY	CHAIRMAN
	STACY REYES	SECRETARY
	STEVEN KENDRICK	MEMBER
	ERNESTO CAVAZOS	MEMBER

ALSO PRESENT: RON MILLS PORT DIRECTOR
ALLISON RODRIGUEZ ATTORNEY
FRANK VASQUEZ PORT SUPERINTENDENT
DAVID MAYES PORT CHIEF
LETTY MARTINEZ ADMINISTRATIVE
ASSISTANT

ABSENT: ALBERTO TREVINO MEMBER

Chad Kinney, Chairman called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.; upon conclusion of roll call, it was ascertained that a quorum was present. Kinney called for affidavits of conflict of interest, and there was none.

Item No. 1: REVIEW & CONSIDERATION OF PREVIOUS BOARD MEETING MINUTES: Regular Session board meeting, June 14, 2023 was canceled due to lack of quorum.

Item No. 2: PUBLIC COMMENT:

John Walker – Ethics: stated he is new in Port and would like to separate facts from fiction. Advised the board to go to Port Mansfield and address rumors.

Item No. 3: **CONSIDERATION AND APPROPRIATE ACTION ON FY 2023-2024 OPERATING BUDGET:** After discussing FY 2023/2024, Commissioner Kendrick made the motion to accept the budget after an outstanding error was corrected. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Cavazos and the vote unanimously carried.

Item No. 4: VERIFICATION OF REVIEW ON IMPLEMENTATION OF STRATEGIC PLAN DATED JULY 21, 2021: After discussion and review on implementation of strategic plan dated July 21, 2021, Commissioner Cavazos made the motion to support the strategic plan. The motion was seconded by Secretary Reyes and the vote unanimously carried.

Item No. 5: DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON REQUEST FROM PMPUD TO BEGIN THE PROCESS FOR TERMINATION OF LEASES FOR NON-PAYMENT OF UTILITIES BEYOND 180 DAYS AT 607 BAFFIN, 733 BAFFIN AND 612 NORTH SHORE: After discussion to begin the process for termination of leases for non-payment, Commissioner Kendrick made the motion to begin the process for termination of leases for non-payment. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Cavazos and the vote unanimously carried.

Item No. 6: PORT POLICE CHIEF MONTHLY SUMMARY REGARDING LAW ENFORCEMENT OPERATIONS, INVESTIGATIONS, CRIME REPORTS AND STATISTICS, ARRESTS, CRIMINAL OR SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY, MIGRANT ACTIVITY LAND AND WASTER RESCUES, PUBLIC SAFETY RELATED INFORMATION, PERSONNEL MATTERS AND EQUIPMENT OR TECHNOLOGY MATTERS: Chief Mayes, reported that there was a couple of domestic charges filed. 2 events for 4th of July and a fire, with no property loss. Chief Mayes addressed to the board that he is continuing updates dealing with work, training, new policies and mental health.

Item No. 7: PORT DIRECTORS' REPORT: Port Director Ron Mills reported on the following:

- STATEWIDE DELAY IN DELIVERY OF MANHOLES HAS EXTENDED DELIVERY FOR SUBDIVISION FROM 5 WEEKS TO 15 WEEKS: there is a delay on delivery of manholes due to manhole shortage.
- WATERLINE STILL INSTALLED: The timeframe is October through December (15)
- AIRPORT PAVING AND EXPANSION ON TXDOT PROJECT LIST BUT UNLIKELY FOR NOW: Authorized to proceed the airport paving and expansion.
- CURRENT STRENGHTENED RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN WILLACY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT AND WCND: the article in the Raymondville Chronicle newspaper was incorrect. The following week Ron had a meeting with the County Judge and verbally agreed to meet with final New Port Subdivision Plat.

Item No. 8: REVIEW AND DISCUSSION OF BUILDING AUTHORIZATIONS ISSUED FOR THE MONTH OF MAY AND JUNE, 2023: The building authorizations issued for the month of May and June, 2023 were reviewed or discussed.

Item No. 9: REVIEW & CONSIDERATION OF RESIDENTIAL, COMMERCIAL, CANCELLED LEASES AND COLLATERAL TRANSFER OF LEASE: Upon review and discussion of each described and itemized leases, Commissioner Cavazos made the motion to accept and approve the leases as presented. The motion was seconded by Secretary Reyes and the vote unanimously carried.

Item No. 10: REVIEW & CONSIDERATION OF CHECKS AND VOUCHERS: After review of the checks and vouchers, Commissioner Kendrick made the motion to accept the issued checks and approve the transactions for payment of the Willacy County Navigation District and to accept the transactions May 11, 2023 through July 19, 2023.

The motion was then seconded by Commissioner Cavazos the vote unanimously carried.

Item No. 11: ADJOURN: meeting was adjourned at 9:20 a.m..