

STATE OF TEXAS }
COUNTY OF WILLACY }

THE BOARD OF NAVIGATION AND CANAL COMMISSIONERS OF THE WILLACY COUNTY NAVIGATION DISTRICT met in Regular Session Wednesday, May 10, 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
	ALBERTO TREVINO	MEMBER
	STEVEN KENDRICK	MEMBER
	ERNESTO CAVAZOS	MEMBER
ALSO PRESENT:	RON MILLS	PORT DIRECTOR
	RICK NAVARRO	ATTORNEY
	FRANK VASQUEZ	PORT SUPERINTENDENT
	LETTY MARTINEZ	ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT
ABSENT:	DAVID MAYES	PORT CHIEF
	ALLISON RODRIGUEZ	ATTORNEY

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 one.

Item No. 1: REVIEW & CONSIDERATION OF PREVIOUS BOARD MEETING MINUTES: Upon review of the April 19, 2023 board meeting minutes, Commissioner Kendrick made the motion to approve the previous board meeting minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Cavazos and the vote unanimously carried.

Item No. 2: PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

Item No. 3: DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON CHANGE ORDER 2 OF TXDOT QUEUING YARD PROJECT TO ADVISE ABOUT ADDITIONAL STATE FUNDS COMMITMENT: After discussion, Commissioner Trevino made the motion to change order 2 of TXDOT queuing yard project to advice about additional state funds commitment. It will be the same contract who built the queuing area, they should start mobilizing by the end of May. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Cavazos and the vote unanimously carried.

Item No. 4: DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON ADOPTING A MASS NOTIFICATION SYSTEM WHICH IF FEDERALLY APPROVED ALSO INCLUDE FEDERAL DISASTER NOTIFICATION SYSTEM: After discussion, Commissioner Trevino made the motion on adopting a mass notification system which if federally approved also include federal disaster notification system. Once enrolled notifications

will be received by email or phone text. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kendrick and vote unanimously carried.

Item No. 5: REVIEW AND DISCUSSION ON STATUS OF IMPLEMENTING OF STRATEGIC PLAN TO DATE AT THE END OF YEAR TWO: After a general review and discussion, Commissioner Trevino made the motion to move forward of implementing of the strategic plan to date at the end of two year. The motion was seconded by Secretary Reyes and 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 ACIVITY LAND AND WASTER RESCUES, PUBLIC SAFETY RELATED INFORMATION, PERSONNEL MATTERS AND EQUIPMENT OR TECHNOLOGY MATTERS: No report, Chief Mayes was absent. However, Ron advised the board that there was a traffic increase and issues of a death in town.

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

- MARAD PIDP GRANT FOR \$11.4M FOR SEAWALL AND PORT INFUSTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS WAS SUCCESSFULLY SUBMITTED WITH LETTERS OF SUPPORT. NO COST SHARE AS SUBMITTED: Hired new grant writer, a letter of support was received from Gonzales office.
- WILL MAKE CONTACT WITH COMMISSIONERS ON BEST DATE FOR ANNUAL BUDGET WORKSHOP

Item No. 8: REVIEW AND DISCUSSION OF BUILDING AUTHORIZATIONS ISSUED FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL, 2023: The building authorizations issued for the month of April, 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, Chairman Kinney abstained from vote. Commissioner Cavazos made the motion to accept and approve the leases as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Trevino and the vote unanimously carried.

Item No. 10: REVIEW & CONSIDERATION OF CHECKS AND VOUCHERS: After review of the checks and vouchers, Commissioner Trevino 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 April 20, 2023 through May 10, 2023. The motion was then seconded by Commissioner Reyes the vote unanimously carried.

Close Executive Session at 9:30 a.m.

Item No. 11: EXECUTIVE SESSION – CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO TEXAS GOV'T CODE SEC. 551.071 TEXAS GOV'T CODE TO RECEIVE LEGAL ADVICE PERTAINING TO DISTRICT'S RIGHTS, DUTIES, PRIVILEGES, AND OBLIGATIONS ARISING FROM CITIZENS, COMPLAINTS DIRECTED AT ELECTED MEMBERS OF THE NAVIGATION DISTRICT, THE STATUS OF SEVERAL PUBLIC INFORMATION REQUESTS DIRECTED AT THE DISTRICT THREATENED LITIGATION RELATED TO THE PUBLIC INFORMATION REQUESTS, AND RELATED LEGAL ISSUES.

No action was taken.

Item No. 12: Return to Open Session at approximately 10:24 a.m.

Item No. 13: ADJOURN: meeting was adjourned at 10:26 a.m..