

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 25, 2024 at 9:00 A.M., 400 W. Hidalgo, Ste 200, Raymondville, TX with the following members present:

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:	STACY REYES	SECRETARY
	STEVEN KENDRICK	MEMBER
	ALBERTO TREVINO	MEMBER
	ERNESTO CAVAZOS	MEMBER
ALSO PRESENT:	RON MILLS	PORT DIRECTOR
	FRANK VASQUEZ	PORT SUPERINTENDENT
	DAVID MAYES	PORT POLICE CHIEF
	LETTY MARTINEZ	ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT
ABSENT:	CHAD KINNEY	CHAIRMAN
	ALLISON RODRIGUEZ	ATTORNEY

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

Item No. 1: REVIEW & CONSIDERATION OF PREVIOUS BOARD MEETING MINUTES: Upon review of the June 12, 2024 board meeting minutes, Secretary Reyes made the motion to approve the previous board meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kendrick and vote unanimously carried.

Item No. 2: PUBLIC COMMENT(S):

Melissa Murphy/Transparency: addressed the board that all she is asking for is transparency, they have begged and pleaded to meet with the board to answer questions, and the board has not followed through. Ms. Murphy advised the board that they have been posting and publishing information on their own diligence on Willacy County Examiner.

Item No. 3: DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON RETAINING BORDER AFFAIRS AS CONSULTANTS FOR GRANTS AND PUBLIC RELATIONS: After board discussion on retaining Border Affairs as Consultants for grants and public relations, Commissioner Kendrick made the motion to not accept the proposal and to instruct Ron Mills, Port Director to get information for public relations. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Cavazos and vote unanimously carried.

Item No. 4: DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON DEVELOPING A PPP WITH CARBON ASSET DEVELOPER ASSOC. TO SUBMIT APPLICATION FOR EPA GRAVITY TO DEVELOP A SOLAR POWER STATION TO PROVIDE ELECTRICITY TO PORT MANSFIELD: Commissioner Cavazos advised Ron Mills, Port Director to proceed an application and get more information from Carbon Asset Developer Assoc., a grant. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kendrick and vote unanimously carried.

Item No. 5: DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO LEASE LAND ADJACENT TO THE HARBOR FOR D & D OASIS BAR & GRILL: After board discussion to lease land adjacent to the Harbor for D & D Oasis Bar & Grill, Secretary Reyes made the motion to allow to lease land near the old shrimp plant. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Cavazos and vote unanimously carried.

Item No. 6: PORT DIRECTORS REPORT:

- Hurricane Beryl updated information: updated information notifications were sent to lessees.

Item No. 7: REVIEW AND DISCUSSION OF BUILDING AUTHORIZATIONS ISSUED FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE, 2024: The building authorizations issued for the month of June, 2024 were reviewed and discussed.

Item No. 8: REVIEW & CONSIDERATION OF RESIDENTIAL, COMMERCIAL, CANCELLED LEASES AND COLLATERAL TRANSFER OF LEASE: Upon review and discussion of each described and itemized leases, Secretary Reyes made the motion to accept and approve the leases as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Cavazos and the vote unanimously carried.

Item No. 9: 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 June 13, 2024 through July 25, 2024. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Cavazos and the vote unanimously carried.

Item No. 10: EXECUTIVE SESSION: Commissioner Cavazos made the motion to table the executive session for next months' board meeting, due to the absence of the attorney. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kendrick and vote unanimously carried.

CLOSE SESSION:

1. ATTORNEY BRIEFING PURSUANT TO TEX. GOV'T CODE SEC. 551.071 REGARDING ANY PROPOSED INCORPORATION OF PORT MANSFIELD.

IMPLICATIONS FOR THE WND AS A WHOLE, AND THE RIGHTS, DUTIES, AND OBLIGATIONS OF THE WCND BOARD.

2. ATTORNEY CONSULTATION PURSUANT TO TEX. GOV'T CODE SEC. 551.071 TO RECEIVE ADVICE AND COUNSEL REGARDING THE MARINE TERMINAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH NAS.

11. Adjourn: Commissioner Cavazos made the motion to adjourn the meeting at approximately 9:42 a.m. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kendrick and vote unanimously carried.