

STATE OF TEXAS }
COUNTY OF WILLACY }

THE BOARD OF NAVIGATION AND CANAL COMMISSIONERS OF THE WILLACY COUNTY NAVIGATION DISTRICT met in Regular Session Wednesday, October 09, 2024 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
ALSO PRESENT:	RON MILLS	PORT DIRECTOR
	ALLISON RODRIGUEZ	ATTORNEY
	DAVID MAYES	PORT POLICE CHIEF
	DE LEON	PORT POLICE OFFICER
	LETTY MARTINEZ	ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT
ABSENT:	ERNESTO CAVAZOS	MEMBER

Chad Kinney, Chairman called the meeting to order at 9:03 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: Upon review of the September 11, 2024 board meeting minutes, Commissioner Trevino made the motion to approve the previous board meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Secretary Reyes and vote unanimously carried.

Item No. 2: PUBLIC COMMENT(S):

John King: addressed the board that he is a legal scout of class of 1966, Pastor of the church. Mr. King requested a copy of his lease, as he was not aware that leaseholders were not owners of the land for which his home was built.

Miller Bassler: To Mr. Trevino, pursuant to the social media post this week to allow him a 3 minute window of time. Port Mansfield concerned citizens are not against commerce, they are in common sense support commerce. They are not for the dirty destructive commerce that will bring barges and containers to Port Mansfield. Mr. Bassler stated that Residential property value in Port Mansfield will drop and will worsen the tax base of the community. Mr. Bassler also stated that NAS appears to be a scam.

Kathy Bassler: addressed the board she will continue Mr. Basslers' statement. Mrs. Bassler stated they as concerned citizens are fighting for new common sense leadership and a strategic plan, not dirty business.

Item No. 3: DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON SHEPPARD GROUP CONTRACTURAL AGREEMENT: After board discussion on Sheppard Group Contractural Agreement, Commissioner Trevino made the motion to not renew Sheppard Group Contract agreement, and thanked him. The motion was seconded by Secretary Reyes. Commissioner Kendrick opposed, WCND Attorney Allision Rodriguez, stopped discussion and moved the item into executive session.

Item No. 4: PORT DIRECTORS REPORT:

- Dredging update from Army Corp. meeting: met with the Corp in June to advise them that the seawall would not be done at the time of dredging. The USACE dredging of the channel will be taking place starting next May.

Item No. 7: REVIEW AND DISCUSSION OF BUILDING AUTHORIZATIONS ISSUED FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER, 2024: The building authorizations issued for the month of September, 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, Commissioner Trevino 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. 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 September 12, 2024 through October 09, 2024. The motion was seconded by Secretary Reyes and the vote unanimously carried.

Item No. 10: EXECUTIVE SESSION: Close Session at approximately 9:29 a.m.

ATTORNEY CONSULTATION PURSUANT TO SECTION 55.071.70, TEXAS GOV'T CODE TO RECEIVE ADVICE AND COUNSEL DREDGING THE MARINE TERMINAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH NAS

ATTORNEY CONSULTATION PURSUANT TO SECTION 551.074M TEXAS GOV'T CODE TO CONDUCT A PERFORMANCE EVALUATION OF THE EXECUTIVE PORT DIRECTOR.

-Open Session at 10:39 a.m.

Item 3: Sheppard Group Contractual Agreement which was discussed in Executive Session was moved to not renew the agreement for Sheppard Group.

Item No. 11. Adjourn: meeting adjourned at 10:42 a.m.