

ILLINOIS INTERNATIONAL PORT DISTRICT

Record of Proceedings of the REGULAR BOARD MEETING

March 21, 2014

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Illinois International Port District was held Friday, March 21, 2014, at 9:30 a.m., at the Illinois International Port District, 3600 E. 95th St., Chicago, Illinois.

Kathleen Dart, Secretary, called the roll, and the following Directors were present: Henry Wisniewski, Lynette Santiago, Charles Bowen, Terry Sullivan, Terry Fitzmaurice, and Sodiqa Williams. Ms. Dart reported that the Chairman was present and a quorum was present. Mr. Maragos was absent.

Also present: Anthony Ianello, Executive Director; George Braam, URS Corp.; Kurt Oelerich, Treasurer; Michael Leroy, Neal and Leroy.

General public present: Tom Shepherd, Southeast Environmental Task Force and Calumet Vision Committee; Cassandra Francis and associate, Friends of Parks; William Scott, William Tillman Maritime Academy; Steve Mishenski, Phil Stefani Restaurants.

Board Meeting Minutes – February 21, 2014

The Minutes of the February 21, 2014 Board Meeting were presented. A Motion to approve the Minutes was made by Mr. Sullivan, seconded by Mr. Bowen, and passed unanimously.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Leases and Agreements Committee

Discussion relating to Clean Harbors, North America Stevedoring, the Master Lease, and the 19th Hole Grill was postponed until Executive Session.

Regarding the Security RFP, Counsel Leroy reported that in answer to further questions posed regarding whether employees lived within the state of Illinois and whether they were union employees, both Titan and Protective Services replied “yes” and “no” respectively. Several letters from tenants which supported retention of Protective Services were received. Considering all factors and that Protective Services submitted the least expensive proposal, Mr. Fitzmaurice moved that they be extended the security contract. Ms. Santiago seconded, and the Motion passed unanimously.

A Motion to accept a proposed FTZ application from DB Schenker was made by Mr. Fitzmaurice, seconded by Mr. Bowen, and passed unanimously.

Engineer Braam informed the Board that the Army Corps. of Engineers is completing a study relating to the Confined Disposal Facility. They have also asked the Port District to prepare letters of support for their DMMP study. We will ask for further clarification of what information exactly they are looking for us to provide.

Another study of the Asian Carp situation completed by GLMRIS is open for comments until March 31. Our engineers have been preparing a statement supporting the Corps.

Engineer Braam also gave the Board some information about Green Marine, a cooperative effort between Canadian and U.S. ports combining environmental and green efforts in their operation.

Tiger 5 grant applications will be due at the end of April, and we will again be applying for funds for dockwall repair at Iroquois Landing. We will be requesting letters of support from the political community. Mr. Braam will bring sample letters to the next meeting. We have also received notification that the port security grant is available again, and it will be pursued.

Finance and Personnel Committee

Treasurer Oelerich reported on the Port income statement, balance sheet and check register for the month of February 2014. A Motion to accept the financial statements was made by Mr. Bowen, seconded by Mr. Sullivan and passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

Revenue for the month was on target with an influx of funds from the FTZ annual fees. Expenses remained well controlled and under budget. As a result we are operating under budget.

We also received an additional \$349,000 from Kemper Sports Management for 2013 fees. That will be reflected in the March financial report.

Resolution PD-14-03

The Governor's Office requested a resolution that would allow the Chairman to continue negotiations regarding certain Port District land with the IDNR. The resolution would just make it official that, since Chairman Forde has been in discussions with the Governor's Office for some time regarding the possibility of taking a portion of Port District property and turning it into some kind of public facility, i.e. a park, in connection with the Governor's Millennium Reserve Initiative, he would be able to continue to do so. It would formally authorize the Chairman to continue those discussions. Mr. Sullivan moved to pass the Resolution; Mr. Bowen seconded, and it passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Shepherd inquired as to whether one of the Port's tenants had applied for a permit to store petcoke. Chairman Forde informed him that that would be a matter between the tenant and the City and we had no knowledge of the matter. Mr. Shepherd also passed out information regarding the petcoke problem.

Mr. Scott discussed interaction between the Port District and the William Tillman Maritime Academy.

Mr. Mishenski, speaking on behalf of Phil Stefani, requested a meeting between the Port District and representatives of Phil Stefani Restaurants. Chairman Forde informed him that it would be appropriate for the meeting to be between the lawyers of each entity.

Ms. Francis informed the Board that she would bring information relating to use of port lands for recreation and also options to raise funds for this purpose to the next meeting. Her associate extended an invitation to everyone present to attend the 3rd Annual Earth Day walk which will commence at Harborside Golf Center on April 22, 2014. Further information will be forthcoming.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mr. Forde moved to enter into Executive Session to discuss Clean Harbors, North America Stevedoring, the Master Lease, and the 19th Hole Grill. Mr. Fitzmaurice seconded the Motion, and it passed unanimously. Following the discussion, Mr. Forde moved to exit Executive Session; Mr. Fitzmaurice seconded the Motion, and it passed unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

There was none.


NEW BUSINESS

It was decided that the replacement of the Executive Director's current vehicle would be on next month's agenda.

ADJOURNMENT

With no other business before the board Mr. Forde made a Motion to adjourn. Mr. Fitzmaurice seconded the Motion, and it passed unanimously. **Due to the Easter holiday, the next meeting will be moved up a week to Friday, April 11, 2014.**


Kathleen M. Dart
Secretary


Michael Forde
Chairman