

MINUTES
PORT AUTHORITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF ST. LOUIS
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR BOARD MEETING VIA ZOOM
SLDC BOARD ROOM
OCTOBER 8, 2020, 9:00 A.M.

COMMISSIONERS

PRESENT: Matthew S. McBride, Chairman
Joan K. Miller, Vice Chairman
Aldерwoman Marlene Davis
Taunia Allen Mason, Treasurer
Jamie Wilson, Director of Streets
William Albert Kay, Jr.

COMMISSIONERS

ABSENT:

STAFF

Susan Taylor; Otis Williams; Charlie Hahn; Roland Comfort;
John Parker; Rob Orr; David Meyer; Barbara Birkicht; Amanda
Bloomfield; Janet Harris, Zachary Wilson

PRESENT:

GUESTS

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MEDIA

PRESENT: None

CALL TO ORDER

A quorum being present, Chairman McBride called the Regular Board Meeting to order on Thursday, October 8, 2020, at 9:10 a.m., and asked for a roll call of the Commissioners present. At the time Commissioner Miller and Commissioner Davis were absent but joined shortly afterwards. Commissioner Miller left a little before 10am.

Roll Call:

Chairman McBride – Present
Commissioner Mason – Present
Commissioner Wilson – Present
Commissioner Kay - Present

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – REGULAR BOARD MEETING – August 13, 2020

Chairman McBride called for a motion for approval of the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of August 13, 2020. Commissioner Mason made a motion to approve the August 13, 2020 Minutes, and Commissioner Kay seconded the motion; roll was called; and following a voice vote, the Minutes of the August 13, 2020 Regular Board Meeting were approved.

Roll Call:

Chairman McBride – Aye
Commissioner Miller - Aye
Commissioner Davis – Aye
Commissioner Mason – Aye
Commissioner Kay – Aye
Commissioner Wilson - Aye

Approval of the Regular Board Meeting Minutes of August 13, 2020 passed unanimously with all six (6) Commissioners present voting Aye.

RESOLUTION NO. 20-PT-22 – RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A LONG-TERM FLEETING LEASE AT TRUDEAU STREET (EXHIBIT A) WITH S. I. WAREHOUSING (SLAY) AND A RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD OF PUBLIC SERVICE (BPS) FOR APPROVING A SLAY MOORING PERMIT (PIN #16)

Susan Taylor presented the Resolution to the Commissioners stating that a 25-year lease at the foot of Trudeau Street has expired. The Authority seeks approval for a long-term lease with Slay at this location and request authorization to apply for a BPS permit.

Chairman McBride called for a motion to amend the language of the permit, Commissioner Wilson made the motion to amend the language of the permit and Commissioner Mason seconded the motion. At the request of the City Counselor's office, the BPS permit was amended to reiterate Permitter's ability to terminate the permit at will.

Afterwards Susan Taylor answered more of the Commissioners questions, then Chairman McBride called for a motion for approval of Resolution 20-PT-22. Commissioner Mason made a motion to approve the Resolution, and Commissioner Wilson seconded the motion; roll was called; and following a voice vote, Resolution 20-PT-22 was approved.

Roll Call:

Chairman McBride – Aye
Commissioner Miller - Aye
Commissioner Davis – Aye
Commissioner Mason – Aye
Commissioner Kay – Aye
Commissioner Wilson - Aye

Approval of Resolution 20-PT-22 passed unanimously with all five (6) Commissioners present voting Aye.

RESOLUTION No. 20-PT-23 – RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A LONG-TERM FLEETING LEASE AT BARTON ST. (EXHIBIT A) WITH SLAY BULK TERMINALS (SLAY) AND A RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD OF PUBLIC SERVICE (BPS) FOR APPROVING A SLAY MOORING PERMIT (PIN #33)

Susan Taylor presented the Resolution to the Commissioners this Slay fleet currently entails three separate adjacent leases with one expired and running month-to-month, one at a ten year renewal juncture and one with 11 years left out of its 25 year term. The Authority seeks approval to terminate all three and create one mooring-only lease with no SF and no premium.

Chairman McBride called for a motion to amend the language of the permit and Commissioner Mason made the motion to amend the language of the permit and Commissioner Miller seconded the motion. At the request of the City Counselor's office, the BPS permit was amended to reiterate Permittor's ability to terminate the permit at will.

Susan answered the Commissioners questions and then Chairman McBride called for a motion for approval of Resolution 20-PT-23. Commissioner Davis made a motion to approve the Resolution, and Commissioner Wilson seconded the motion; roll was called; following a voice vote, Resolution No. 20-PT-23 was approved.

Roll Call:

Chairman McBride – Aye
Commissioner Miller - Aye
Commissioner Davis – Aye
Commissioner Mason – Aye
Commissioner Kay – Aye
Commissioner Wilson - Aye

Approval of Resolution 20-PT-23 passed unanimously with all six (6) Commissioners present voting Aye.

RESOLUTION No. 20-PT-24 – RESOLUTION APPROVING REQUEST FOR FY21 ADMINISTRATIVE FUNDING GRANT TO MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION (MODOT)

Susan Taylor presented the Resolution to the Commissioners that each year the Missouri State legislature allots grant funding through MODOT to port authorities for administrative assistance. The Authority is seeking approval to receive the grant amount. After some discussion, Chairman McBride called for a motion for approval of Resolution 20-PT-24.

Commissioner Miller made a motion to approve the Resolution, and Commissioner Mason seconded the motion; a motion to use the previous roll call was made with no objections; and Resolution 20-PT-24 was approved.

Roll Call:

Chairman McBride – Aye
Commissioner Miller - Aye
Commissioner Davis – Aye

Commissioner Mason – Aye
Commissioner Kay – Aye
Commissioner Wilson - Aye

Approval of Resolution 20-PT-24 passed unanimously with all six (6) Commissioners present voting Aye.

RESOLUTION No. 20-PT-25 – RESOLUTION APPROVING ACCEPTANCE OF \$9M IN FEDERAL GRANT AND PRIVATE MATCH FUNDING FOR RAIL IMPROVEMENTS IN THE NORTH RIVERFRONT AND AUTHORIZING ISSUANCE OF A REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP) FOR CONSTRUCTION OF SAME

Susan Taylor presented the Resolution to the Commissioners, SCF Lewis & Clark Terminals (SCF) recently applied for a Federal BUILD grant for rail improvements at four locations. This resolution request approval to accept the BUILD and SCF funds and to issue an RFP for construction at the MRT, one of the four locations. After discussion, Chairman McBride then called for an approval of Resolution 20-PT-25; Commissioner Miller made the motion to approve the Resolution, and Commissioner Kay seconded the motion; a motion to use the previous roll call was made with no objections; and Resolution 20-PT-25 was approved.

Roll Call:

Chairman McBride – Aye
Commissioner Miller - Aye
Commissioner Davis – Aye
Commissioner Mason – Aye
Commissioner Kay – Aye
Commissioner Wilson - Aye

Approval of Resolution 20-PT-25 passed unanimously with all six (6) Commissioners present voting Aye.

RESOLUTION No. 20-PT-26 – RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE PORT AUTHORITY AND DESIGN NINE (D9), IN CONNECTION WITH PORT RAILROAD MATTERS

Susan Taylor presented the Resolution to the Commissioners stating this resolution authorizes and approves a fourth amendment to the 2016 agreement for rail engineering services between the Authority and Design 9. After some discussion regarding the damage of the rail ties during a flood and the supervision of repairs to the track and ties by D9, Chairman McBride called for a motion for approval of Resolution 20-PT-26. Commissioner Mason made a motion to approve the Resolution, and Commissioner Miller seconded the motion; a motion to use the previous roll call was made with no objections; and Resolution 20-PT-26 was approved.

Roll Call:

Chairman McBride – Aye
Commissioner Miller - Aye
Commissioner Davis – Aye
Commissioner Mason – Aye
Commissioner Kay – Aye
Commissioner Wilson - Aye

Approval of Resolution 20-PT-26 passed unanimously with all six (6) Commissioners present voting Aye.

PORT AUTHORITY FINANCIAL REPORT

The financial report was deferred to next month.

OPEN AGENDA

Susan Taylor updated the commissioners on MHTC meeting to allow the expansion of the Port District and stated that it will be discussed in our next meeting in November.

Otis Williams thanked the Port Authority staff and their leading efforts in coordinating contractors, and any negotiations for the Port Authority. He also reported on the St. Louis Equitable Development Framework and its future outlook for the City.

Alderman Davis commented on the freight transportation; barge, train, air, and river. She would like to see more detailed information available regarding the various transportations.

Commissioner Wilson asked a question regarding the legal fees for the Port Authority. Susan Taylor explained that recent legal fees covered major overhaul of leases, however the more experience Port Authority obtains throughout the years future leases can be fashioned at lower legal fees.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman McBride called for a motion to adjourn; Commissioner Mason and the rest of the commissioners seconded the motion to adjourn, Chairman McBride declared that the meeting was adjourned by all at 10:07 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Matthew S. McBride, Chairman

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